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DoD Cybersecurity Certifications and Training

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ISC2 is Your Team's Source for DoD Certifications and Official Training

As the largest association of certified cybersecurity professionals in the world, ISC2 has played a leadership role in helping U.S. government agencies defend against cyber threats for over 30 years. You may know us for our acclaimed credentials, including the Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP), but that's just the beginning. We offer everything your team needs for ISC2 cybersecurity certification training, exam vouchers and professional development.

Trusted Standards in Cybersecurity Training and Certification

All nine of our distinct IA certifications meet the requirements for 11 of the 14 work roles defined in DoD 8570/8140.

In accordance with DoD 8570, personnel performing Information Assurance (IA) functions are obligated to obtain one of the certifications required for their position, category/specialty and level in order to fulfill the IA baseline certification requirement. DoD Directive 8570 will remain in effect until the middle of 2025, at which point it will be replaced by DoD Directive 8140.

IAT Level I	IAT Level II	IAT Level III
SSCP®	SSCP®	CISSP® (or Associate) CCSP®

IAM Level I	IAM Level II	IAM Level III
CGRC® HCISPP®	CISSP® (or Associate) CGRC® HCISPP®	CISSP® (or Associate)

IASAE Level I	IASAE Level II	IASAE Level III
CISSP® (or Associate) CSSLP®	CISSP® (or Associate) CSSLP®	CISSP - ISSAP® CISSP - ISSEP® CCSP®

CSSP Infrastructure Support[1]		CSSP Manager[1]
SSCP®		CISSP - ISSMP®

Certifications for All Skill Levels

Our portfolio of industry-leading [cybersecurity certifications](#) provides government agencies with the assurance that their staff possesses a broad knowledge of their fields along with sound professional judgment. Crucially, the requirements to maintain a certification in good standing ensure that ISC2-accredited professionals remain current, relevant and informed as to new and ever-evolving developments in the cybersecurity field.

Certified in Cybersecurity

CC recognizes foundational knowledge, skills and abilities necessary for an entry to junior-level cybersecurity role. It signals understanding of fundamental security best practices, policies and procedures, as well as willingness and ability to learn more and grow on the job.

Security Operations & Network Security

SSCP recognizes hands-on, technical abilities and practical experience. It shows one has the skills to implement, monitor and administer IT infrastructure using information security policies and procedures — ensuring the confidentiality, integrity and availability of data.

Cybersecurity Leadership

CISSP recognizes information security leaders who understand cybersecurity strategy as well as hands-on implementation. It shows one has the knowledge and experience to design, develop and manage the overall security posture of an organization.

Cloud Security

CCSP recognizes IT and information security leaders who have the knowledge and competency to apply best practices to cloud security architecture, design, operations and service orchestration. It shows you're at the forefront of cloud security.

Governance, Risk & Compliance

CGRC recognizes the knowledge, skills and abilities needed to integrate governance, performance management, risk management and regulatory compliance while utilizing frameworks to integrate security and privacy within an organization's overall objectives.

Software Security

CSSLP recognizes expertise and ability to incorporate security practices — authentication, authorization and auditing — into each phase of the software development life cycle.

Security Architecture

ISSAP recognizes cybersecurity leaders with expertise in developing, designing and analyzing security solutions across an organization. It demonstrates the ability to give risk-based guidance to senior management in pursuit of organizational goals.

Security Engineering

ISSEP recognizes cybersecurity leaders with expertise in information systems security engineering. It demonstrates the knowledge and skills to incorporate security into projects, applications, business processes and information systems.

Security Management

ISSMP recognizes cybersecurity leaders with expertise in information systems security management. It demonstrates deep management and leadership skills and the advanced knowledge to establish, present and govern information security programs.

Associate of ISC2 – Pathway to Certification

The Associate of ISC2 designation is an alternative path for aspiring cybersecurity and IT/ICT professionals. It enables your employees to take any of our certification exams without having the required experience. When they pass, they become an Associate of ISC2 while working to achieve certification. Throughout their journey, they gain access to exclusive ISC2 resources that help them learn, grow and thrive.

The Journey to Cybersecurity Excellence

From certification training and exam vouchers to Continuing Professional Education opportunities—ISC2 has your team's needs covered. The journey to cybersecurity excellence doesn't end when they pass the exam. Once certified, they become a member of ISC2, gaining access to the full spectrum of **professional development** resources we offer. Each learning opportunity provides Continuing Professional Education (CPE) credits and is designed with input from leading industry experts based on proven learning techniques.

Official ISC2 Certification Training Options

ISC2 offers a choice of team training solutions tailored to your budget, schedule and cybersecurity certification requirements. The training is comprehensive, relevant and up-to-date, aligning to the latest exam outline.

Private On-Site Training

Led by an ISC2 Authorized Instructor and conducted with official courseware at your office or a private venue near you for groups of 8 or more employees. Typically runs 4- to 5-days, coordinated around your team's schedule and certification needs.

What's included:*

- In-person instruction from an ISC2 Authorized Instructor

- Official ISC2 Student Training Guide- 365-day access

- Real-world scenarios

- Knowledge checks and end-of-chapter quizzes

- Post-course assessment

- Interactive flash cards

- Printed certificate of completion

- Education Guarantee*

*Availability of training features vary by certification.

**Education Guarantee: If a student does not pass the exam on their first attempt after attending a training seminar directly through ISC2, they can attend a second CBK training seminar through ISC2 at no additional cost (within one year from the end of the prior training seminar). The Education Guarantee covers the cost of the second seminar only.

Online Bootcamp Training

Led by an ISC2 Authorized Instructor and delivered virtually. Individuals choose a 4- to 5-consecutive-day online class or flexible online training twice a week, over a 6- to 8-week period. Organizations seeking to certify 8 or more employees may do so with private online instructor-led training.

Online Self-Paced Training

Access to pre-recorded video content from an ISC2 Authorized Instructor. Gives students complete autonomy to learn on their schedule, at their pace.

What's included:*

- 180-day access to official course content
- Real-world scenarios
- Digital textbook
- Online interactive flash cards
- Knowledge checks and interactive exercises
- End-of-chapter quizzes
- Pre-and post-assessments
- Glossary of terms
- Education Guarantee

*Availability of training features and learning methods varies by certification.

What's included:*

- 180-day access to official course content and recording
- Live virtual instruction from an ISC2 Authorized Instructor
- 365-day access to the Official Student Guide
- Virtual collaboration with team members
- Real-world scenarios
- Knowledge checks and interactive exercises
- End-of-chapter quizzes with answer feedback
- Post-course assessment
- 24x7x365 chat technical support
- Glossary of terms
- Official ISC2 Certificate of Completion
- Education Guarantee

Why ISC2 Official Training

Eight out of 10 Fortune 100 companies rely on ISC2-certified professionals to prepare for and recover from cyberattacks. With so much on the line, who do you trust to train your team?

ISC2 certifications are highly regarded in cybersecurity and countless training companies offer exam preparation. However, not all training providers are equally qualified to prepare your team for certification. Here are 10 facts about Official ISC2 Training:

Fact 1: Not all ISC2 certification trainings are endorsed by ISC2
Official training from ISC2 guarantees your team access to the official ISC2 curriculum to prepare for the rigorous certification exams. Our instructors are all verified security experts, authorized by ISC2 to deliver the most relevant, up-to-date course content developed by ISC2. No training company unaffiliated with ISC2 can claim that.

Fact 2: We are authorized to sell you ISC2 exam vouchers in bulk.
Unauthorized companies do not have the access required to purchase ISC2 exam vouchers. ISC2 and ISC2 Official Training Partners are the only authorized organizations with the ability to offer exam vouchers for ISC2 certification exams. Be wary of "unofficial" providers who ask for your employee's Pearson VUE credentials; the release of Pearson VUE credentials to unauthorized third parties is a violation of ISC2 Non-Disclosure Agreement. Authorized third parties include Candidate, Pearson VUE and ISC2.

Fact 3: No training provider can guarantee you a pass rate.
Be wary of any company promising 90% or any other pass rate. ISC2 never provides pass-rate information to training providers — therefore any promised pass rates they put out are false. ISC2 certification exams are designed for only a certain percentage of test-takers to pass. However, if a student attends an Official ISC2 Training through ISC2 and doesn't pass their exam on their first attempt, they are invited to sit for another course at no additional cost.

Fact 4: Your team will learn the latest content through official channels.
As trends in cybersecurity continuously evolve, the official ISC2 Common Body of Knowledge (CBK) and courseware are updated. You can be assured that Official ISC2 Training is always current and aligns to the latest exam outline. In contrast, there is no guarantee the content you receive from an unofficial training provider reflects the most recent changes.

Fact 5: Quality instruction matters.
Make sure your training provider offers qualified ISC2 instructors. All ISC2 Authorized Instructors hold the certification they are teaching and undergo a rigorous onboarding process. They have on average 15 to 20 years of industry experience and are experts in the field of cybersecurity.

Fact 6: Passing the exam is not the only thing that matters.
ISC2 certifications measure your team's experience, knowledge and critical thinking skills to demonstrate their expertise in protecting your organization's critical assets. We help candidates prepare for test day, but we never lose sight of the bigger picture: inspiring a safe and secure cyber world and developing professionals who can better secure your organization.

Fact 7: Official Training from ISC2 sets your team up for success while maximizing your ROI.
We have many options for you to consider, including Online Instructor-Led Training, Online Self-Paced Training and Private On-Site Training. To help reinforce knowledge, we also offer a variety of self-study books.

Fact 8: ISC2 Train the Trainer program allows your organization to develop its own instructors.
Train your workforce while enjoying the benefits of official ISC2 curriculum materials.

Fact 9: Our Investment Program extends your annual training budget.
Apply your approved funds to assign cybersecurity certification training and exam activities to your teams throughout the year.

Fact 10: Your team can earn college credits with select ISC2 training.
Official ISC2 CBK Training Seminars for CC, CISSP, CCSP, CGRC, CSSLP and SSCP are each worth 2-3 college credit hours, per the **American Council on Education's** College Credit Recommendation Service.
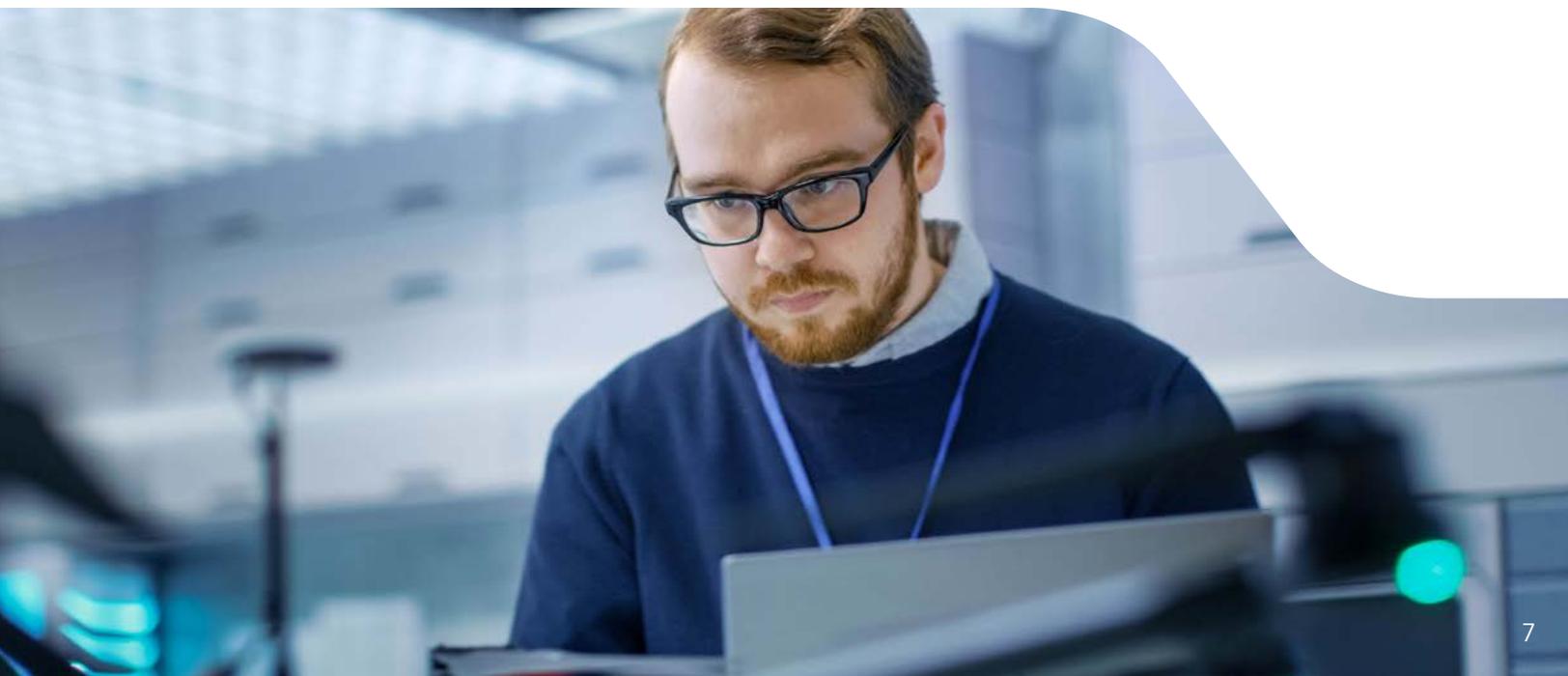
ABOUT ISC2

ISC2 is an international nonprofit membership association focused on inspiring a safe and secure cyber world. ISC2 offers a portfolio of credentials that are part of a holistic, pragmatic approach to security. Our association of candidates, associates and members, is made up of certified cyber, information, software and infrastructure security professionals who are making a difference and helping to advance the industry. Our vision is supported by our commitment to educate and reach the general public through our charitable foundation – **The Center for Cyber Safety and Education**™. Connect with us on **X**, **Facebook**, **LinkedIn** and **YouTube**.

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