

Microsoft® Training and Certification

Validation of skill, knowledge and experience from the leader in Microsoft technical applications and certification training



How Microsoft Certification Benefits the Employer

- Promotes effective hiring and retention practices
- Confirms employees qualifications
- Creates a competitive advantage

How Microsoft Certification Benefits the Employee

- Validation of skills the IT industry demands
- Increased career opportunities
- Increased earning potential

Microsoft Certification can provide stepping-stones for career development and enhancement, plus function as an effective tool for assessing competence. By earning a Microsoft certification, you will receive the recognition of professional achievement, respect of your peers and the valuable validation of your skills.

The Value of Certification

According to a study conducted by Applied Research Consultants, 90% of Microsoft Certified Professionals (MCPs) said certification was extremely useful in their work. In another study, managers and supervisors felt that their MCPs were significantly more competent than non-certified employees. Valuable proof that certification means increased knowledge and enhanced credibility.

- **The value of certification to employees** - When you begin training, your objective will be to gain a thorough understanding of specific skills in order to achieve Microsoft certification. Through your education and training, you will have acquired specialized skills to advance in your career.
- **The value of certification to employers** - Microsoft certifications held by potential and current employees provide assurance that you are employing individuals who have received high-quality, consistent training and have the ability and professionalism to handle real-world responsibilities.

Why should you receive Microsoft Training and Certification from New Horizons?

As the largest network of Microsoft Certified Partners for Learning Solutions and Gold Partners for Learning Solutions in the world, you are guaranteed the most current training solutions from New Horizons. Every course follows the Microsoft Official Curriculum and is taught by a Microsoft Certified Trainer.

Whether you are seeking to develop your skills for a career change or have been in the industry for years and want to enhance your skills for career advancement, New Horizons can prepare you for what lies ahead.

Start a Rewarding Career Today

New Horizons can assist you in creating a flexible curriculum that will provide you with the background you need to move your career forward.

The following Microsoft certifications are available through New Horizons:

- **Microsoft Office Specialist** – The Microsoft® Office Specialist program is globally recognized as the standard for demonstrating desktop skills with the Microsoft® Office System of business productivity applications, such as Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Access, Outlook and Project. The Office Specialist program is helping meet the demand for qualified and knowledgeable people in the modern workplace.
- **Microsoft Certified Professional (MCP)** – This first step in technical certification demonstrates in-depth knowledge of at least one Microsoft operating system. Additional specialization may be achieved by passing other Microsoft certification exams. The specialized areas verify skills with Microsoft BackOffice products, development tools or desktop applications.
- **Microsoft Certified Desktop Support Technician (MCDST)** – The Microsoft Certified Desktop Support Technician (MCDST) certification will ensure you have the skills to successfully troubleshoot desktop environments running on the Microsoft Windows® operating system.
- **Microsoft Certified System Administrator (MCSA)** – The MCSA credential offers IT professionals a competitive edge in today's constantly changing business environment by validating the specific experience required by the network and systems administrator job role.

- ▶ **Microsoft Certified Technology Specialist (MCTS)** – By earning the MCTS credential you are demonstrating your expertise in administering, deploying and maintaining Microsoft SQL Server 2005. It also verifies your proficiency in deploying business process and integration solutions using BizTalk Server 2006.
- ▶ **Microsoft Certified Database Administrator (MCDBA)** – By earning the premier MCDBA credential, individuals are demonstrating that they have the skills necessary to lead organizations in the successful design, implementation and administration of Microsoft SQL Server databases.
- ▶ **Microsoft Certified System Engineer (MCSE)** – An MCSE is qualified to plan, implement, maintain and support information systems in a wide range of computing environments using Microsoft Windows, Exchange, SQL and .NET Servers.
- ▶ **Microsoft Certified IT Professional (MCITP)** – The MCITP certification allows IT professionals to highlight their specific area of expertise. It will give you a competitive edge as you can easily distinguish yourself as an expert in database administration, database development or business intelligence.
- ▶ **Microsoft Certified Professional Developer (MCPD)** – With the MCPD certification, you are able to prove your development capabilities as expert is Window development, web application development or enterprise applications development.
- ▶ **Microsoft Certified Application Developer (MCAD)** – Using Microsoft Visual Studio® .NET and Web services the MCAD is qualified to develop, test, deploy and maintain powerful applications as business solutions.
- ▶ **Microsoft Certified Solution Developer (MCSD)** – Using Microsoft development tools, technologies and platforms, the MCSD is qualified to design and develop custom business solutions.
- ▶ **Microsoft Certified Learning Consultant (MCLC)** – The MCLC credential recognizes Microsoft Certified Technology Specialists (MCTS) whose job roles have grown to include consultative engagements with customers. The MCLC is highly regarded within the Microsoft training community and among customers.
- ▶ **Microsoft Certified Architect Program** – This program identifies top industry experts in IT architecture. The architects can employ multiple technologies to solve business problems and provide business metrics and measurements to describe the success or failure of the projects they drive.

New Horizons Integrated Learning® Combines Multiple Learning Methods for More Effective Results

New Horizons will bring immediate value to your organization through our Integrated Learning approach, which encompasses more than just "taking a class." It's a complete method of training, reinforcing, supporting and validating learning through flexible delivery options including Classroom Learning, Online LIVE Learning, Online ANYTIME Learning, and Mentored Learning.

Our learning solution has the ability to assess the skills of individuals before and after class and provides post-class resources to increase knowledge retention, thereby offering a better return on your investment of time and money. Students have access to electronic courseware and Online ANYTIME tutorials, vLabs featuring hands-on experience with real equipment, practice exams, our online interactive technical reference library and more. And, don't forget, courses may be retaken for up to six months from the original class date, absolutely free.

Learn from the Leader

With over 20 years experience, more than 250 training centers in over 50 countries and over 2,200 instructors, New Horizons is the world leader in computer training.

Start Increasing Your Knowledge and Credibility Today

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