CCNA R&S
Tying Certifications to Career Paths Webinar Series

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Welcome to the 2nd session of the Tying Certifications to Career Paths webinar series

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Tying Certifications to Career Paths Series

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- CCNA Security and CyberOps
- Certifications and Degrees

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Mind the Gap:
Transitioning from NetAcad to Cisco Certified

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Where you are today

NetAcad Student
Entering Your Career
Career Changer
Looking for Opportunity
Why seek certification?
Certification opens up immediate and future career options
Certification pays off, in many ways

- 63% of certified individuals agree that certification gave them a hiring advantage
- 70% of managers agree that Cisco certified individuals are more respected by their peers
Certification makes you a valued, strategic asset

Certified Employees are rated as over 30% more efficient than non-certified employees.

Increased performance of certified employees:

- +31% faster at completing tasks
- +34% higher quality results
- +37% more effective at completing advanced tasks
Certification validates your skills

Employers are confident in your skills and your ability to learn new things, quickly

Networking
Security
Collaboration
Wireless
So, why seek a certification?

- Proven way to land internships, start, or change careers.
- Plenty of positive prejudices work in your favor.
- Higher salary.
- Personal satisfaction of attaining a goal.
- Motivates you to aim higher: depth, breadth, or both.
Resources to help you make the transition
Our mission at the Cisco Learning Network is to provide learning tools, training resources, and industry guidance to anyone interested in building an IT career through Cisco certifications.

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- Exam Topics
- Study Materials | Premium Subscriptions
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- Cisco Subject Matter Experts and VIPs
CCNA Routing & Switching study group

- Connect with your NetAcad peers
- Join a discussion
- Ask a question
- Find answers to your questions
- Access member-created documents
Discount vouchers make certification economical

Successful NetAcad students are eligible for discount vouchers:

>60% off for CCNA R&S Exam.

Valid for 90 days after authorization.

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https://www.netacad.com/group/offers/all-resources/documen_library_display/FReqsJnpM89kNC/view/113786357?

We wish you the best of luck as you advance your career opportunities by getting your Cisco Certification!

Cisco Networking Academy Team
Advice Along the Way
My Personal Journey & Takeaways

My Takeaways

1. Set a goal and find an accountability buddy.
2. Identify your skills gaps and prioritize areas for improvement.
3. Celebrate your successes but don’t think that’s where your learning ends.
Now is the best time to get Cisco certified

- Better career and salary opportunities
- NetAcad trained
- Discount voucher available for exam
- Free resources available for studying
- Material is fresh in your mind
- Technology waits for no one
You’ve come so far, now for the final stretch...
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## Certification tracks now, and for the future

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Remaining Sessions:

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CCNA Routing and Switching
Learn networking fundamentals and advanced concepts with hands-on practice and simulations to develop your skills.

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