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# **Education & Training Plan**

Network Technician (CompTIA Network+) Certification Program with Externship

Student Full Name:

Start Date: \_\_\_\_\_ End Date: \_

Program includes National Certification & an Externship Opportunity Mentor Supported

# **Clemson University Program with Externship**

Course Code: Program Duration: Course Contact Hours: Student Tuition: CLEM-IT-NTN 6 Months 375 \$3,999.00

# Network Technician (CompTIA Network+)

The Network Technician (CompTIA Network+) program is designed to prepare students to function as computer professionals in multiple technical, business, and healthcare settings. Net+ technicians serve many technical support and IT operation roles with job titles such Network Administrator, Network Field Technician, IS Consultant, Help Desk Technician, Network Support Specialist, and Network Analyst. Earning CompTIA Network+ Certification means that the individual possess the knowledge and skills necessary to be a successful network professional offering a nationally-recognized and industry-recognized credential for experienced network technicians. Indeed, the most widely known technology companies recommend or require CompTIA Network+ Certification for their networking technicians.

# Network Technician (CompTIA Network+) Program

The CompTIA Network+ course provides students with the basic knowledge and skills necessary to become an IT network technician. This course is designed to fully prepare students to sit for and pass the CompTIA Network+ Certification exam. Students will gain the knowledge and skills necessary to manage, maintain, troubleshoot, install, operate, and configure basic network infrastructure as well as describe networking technologies, understand basic design principles,

adhere to wiring standards, and use testing tools. Additional job roles for prospective candidates include network technician, network installer, network administrator, help desk technician and IT cable installer.

#### **Education and National Certifications**

- Students should have or be pursuing a high school diploma or GED.
- Students who complete this program can sit for the following exam:
  - CompTIA Network+ Certification Exam (Exam N10-007)

#### **Program Objectives**

- Design and implement functional networks
- Configure, manage, and maintain essential network devices
- Use devices such as switches and routers to segment network traffic and create resilient networks
- Identify benefits and drawbacks of existing network configurations
- · Implement network security, standards, and protocols
- Troubleshoot network problems
- Support the creation of virtualized networks
- Communicating effectively and professionally with clients, colleagues, subordinates, and supervisors to achieve the organization's goals involving computer support and IT operations

#### **National Certification**

Students who complete the Clemson University Network Technician (CompTIA Network+) program will be prepared to sit for the CompTIA Network+ (N10-007) Certification national certification exam(s). In order to work as a Network Technician (CompTIA Network+), many states nationwide are requiring that learners achieve national certification prior to working in that state. Students who complete this program are encouraged to complete the practical/clinical externship option with their program. This comprehensive program is designed to prepare students to sit for CompTIA Network+ (N10-007) Certification exam(s). Students who complete this program can and do sit for the CompTIA Network+ (N10-007) Certification national certification exam(s) and are qualified, eligible and prepared to do so.

#### Externship / Hands on Training / Practicum

Although not a requirement, once students complete the program, they have the ability to participate in an externship and/or hands on practicum so as to practice the skills necessary to perform the job requirements of a professional in this field. Students will be assisted with completing a resume and/or other requirements necessary to work in this field. All students who complete this program are eligible to participate in an externship and will be placed with a participating organization near their location. The institution works with national organizations and has the ability to place students in externship opportunities nationwide.

<u>Clemson University contact:</u> If students have any questions regarding this program including national certification and externships, they should call Salley Ouellette of Clemson University at | (864) 656-2200 or via email at palmer4@clemson.edu

Note : No refunds can be issued after the start date published in your Financial Award document.





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# Network Technician (CompTIA Network+) Program Detailed Student Objectives:

#### TOPOLOGIES, THE OSI MODEL, AND ETHERNET

- Explain devices, applications, protocols, and services at their appropriate OSI layers
- Explain the concepts and characteristics of routing and switching
- Compare and contrast the characteristics of network topologies, types, and technologies
- Deploy the appropriate cabling solution

#### HUBS, BRIDGES, AND SWITCHES

- Explain the concepts and characteristics of routing and switching
- Given a scenario, determine the appropriate placement of networking devices on a network and install/configure them
- Explain common mitigation techniques and their purposes

## INFRASTRUCTURE AND DESIGN, POLICIES AND BEST PRACTICES

- Explain the concepts and characteristics of routing and switching
- Compare and contrast the characteristics of network topologies, types, and technologies
- Identify policies and best practices

# INTERNET PROTOCOL AND IP ADDRESSING

- Explain the purposes and uses of ports and protocols
- Configure the appropriate IP addressing components
- Explain the concepts and characteristics of routing and switching

# **DHCP AND APIPA**

- Explain the purposes and uses of ports and protocols
- Given a scenario, configure the appropriate IP addressing components
- Explain the functions of network services

#### ROUTING

- Explain the concepts and characteristics of routing and switching
- Configure the appropriate IP addressing components
- Determine the appropriate placement of networking devices on a network and install/configure them

# TCP AND UDP

- Explain the purposes and uses of ports and protocols
- Explain common scanning, monitoring, and patching processes and summarize their expected outputs

#### NAME RESOLUTION

- Explain the purposes and uses of ports and protocols
- Explain the functions of network services

## MONITORING, SCANNING, AND NETWORK TROUBLESHOOTING

- Explain the purposes and uses of ports and protocols
- Explain common scanning, monitoring, and patching processes and summarize their expected outputs
- Implement network device hardening
- Explain the network troubleshooting methodology
- Troubleshoot common wired connectivity and performance issues
- Troubleshoot common network service issues

## APPLICATIONS AND SERVICES, VIRTUALIZATION, SAN, AND CLOUD SERVICES

- Explain the purposes and uses of ports and protocols
- Explain the concepts and characteristics of routing and switching
- Explain the functions of network services
- Determine the appropriate placement of networking devices on a network and install/configure them
- Explain the purposes and use cases for advanced networking devices
- Troubleshoot common wired connectivity and performance issues
- Troubleshoot common network service issues
- Summarize cloud concepts and their purposes
- Explain the purposes of virtualization and network storage technologies

# NETWORK SECURITY DESIGN AND APPLIANCES

- Implement network device hardening
- Explain common mitigation techniques and their purposes
- Troubleshoot common wired connectivity and performance Issues
- Explain the purposes and use cases for advanced networking devices
- Summarize common network attacks
- Troubleshoot common network service issues

#### AUTHENTICATION, ENDPOINT SECURITY, AND NETWORK SITE MANAGEMENT

- Explain the purposes and uses of ports and protocols
- Explain the purposes and use cases for advanced networking devices
- Explain authentication and access controls
- Summarize common networking attacks
- Explain common mitigation techniques and their purposes
- Deploy the appropriate cabling solution
- Use appropriate documentation and diagrams to manage the network
- Compare and contrast business continuity and disaster recovery concepts
- Summarize the purposes of physical security devices

## INSTALLING CABLED NETWORKS

- Given a scenario, deploy the appropriate cabling solution
- Given a scenario, determine the appropriate placement of networking devices on a network and install/configure them
- Troubleshoot common wired connectivity and performance issues

## INSTALLING WIRELESS NETWORKS

- Compare and contrast the characteristics of network topologies, types, and technologies
- Given a scenario, implement the appropriate wireless technologies and configurations
- Given a scenario, determine the appropriate placement of networking devices on a network and install/configure them
- Explain the purposes and use cases for advanced networking devices
- Given a scenario, secure a basic wireless network
- Summarize common networking attacks
- Troubleshoot common wireless connectivity and performance issues

## INSTALLING WAN LINKS

- Explain the concepts and characteristics of routing and switching
- Compare and contrast the characteristics of network topologies, types, and technologies
- Implement the appropriate wireless technologies and configurations
- Determine the appropriate placement of networking devices on a network and install/configure them
- Compare and contrast WAN technologies

# **CONFIGURING REMOTE ACCESS**

- · Explain the purposes and uses of ports and protocols
- Explain the purposes and use cases for advanced networking devices
- Compare and contrast WAN technologies

Note: This program can be completed in 6 months. However, students will have online access to this program for a 24-month period.

#### **MICROSOFT OFFICE**

- Module Use an integrated software package, specifically the applications included in the Microsoft Office suite
- Demonstrate marketable skills for enhanced employment opportunities
- Describe proper computer techniques for designing and producing various types of documents
- Demonstrate the common commands & techniques used in Windows desktop
- List the meaning of basic PC acronyms like MHz, MB, KB, HD and RAM
- Use WordPad and MSWord to create various types of documents
- Create headings and titles with Word Art
- Create and format spreadsheets, including the use of mathematical formulas
- Demonstrate a working knowledge of computer database functions, including putting, processing, querying and outputting data
- Define computer terminology in definition matching quizzes
- Use the Windows Paint program to alter graphics
- Use a presentation application to create a presentation with both text and graphics
- Copy data from one MS Office application to another application in the suite
- Use e-mail and the Internet to send Word and Excel file attachments
- Demonstrate how to use the Windows Taskbar and Windows Tooltips
- Explain how copyright laws pertain to data and graphics posted on the Internet
- Take the college computer competency test after course completion
- Follow oral and written directions and complete assignments when working under time limitations

Note: Although the Microsoft Office Module is not required to successfully complete this program, students interested in pursuing free Microsoft MOS certification may want to consider completing this Microsoft Office Module at no additional cost.

#### **System Requirements:**

#### Windows Users:

- Windows 8, 7, XP or Vista
- 56K modem or higher
- Soundcard & Speakers
- Firefox, Chrome or Microsoft Internet Explorer

#### Mac OS User:

- Mac OS X or higher (in classic mode)
- 56K modem or higher
- Soundcard & Speakers
- Apple Safari

## iPad Users:

• Due to Flash limitations, eLearning programs are NOT compatible with iPads

#### Screen Resolution:

• We recommend setting your screen resolution to 1024 x 768 pixels.

#### **Browser Requirements:**

- System will support the two latest releases of each browser. When using older versions of a browser, users risk running into problems with the course software.
- Windows Users: Mozilla Firefox, Google Chrome, Microsoft Internet Explorer
- Mac OS Users: Safari, Google Chrome, Mozilla Firefox

# Suggested Plug-ins:

- Flash Player
- Real Player
- Adobe Reader
- Java