



Certified Information
Systems Security Professional

ISC2 Certification

Why CISSP?

Hear from
ISC2 Members
Who Achieved It

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Cybersecurity Specialists Wanted

As organizations continue to pursue digital transformation initiatives, the threat landscape is always expanding. In today's hyperconnected world, the question isn't whether an organization's data will be breached but when.

With the current threats to cyber stability around the world, there's never been a greater urgency for cybersecurity professionals than now. 2021 recorded the largest annual increase in cyberattacks in six years. And the outlook is worsening. Organizations say it's almost certain — 76% likely — they'll be compromised by a cyberattack in the next 12 months.¹

¹ [Cyberthreat Defense Report](#)



How CISSP Answers the Need

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The world's most security-conscious organizations demand an objective measure of excellence. The Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP) demonstrates you have the knowledge required to perform tasks effectively and link your knowledge back to the organization's needs.

CISSP is the most globally recognized certification in the cybersecurity market. It validates your deep technical knowledge and experience to effectively design, engineer and manage an organization's security posture.



Why Vendor Neutral Matters

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Vendor-neutral credentials like the CISSP are sought by organizations to avoid the limitations and expense of vendor lock-in. Its broad security expertise isn't restricted to any single vendor.

In combination with vendor-specific credentials, CISSP expands the depth and breadth of your knowledge and positions your skills as more versatile. Cross-certification with vendor-specific certifications allows you to validate your job role expertise and then apply those skills to a specific tool.



The Kudos Keep Coming!

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CISSP, regarded by organizations around the world as the premier certification, tops the list of security credentials required by employers on LinkedIn. It is consistently recognized as a top cybersecurity certification in industry publications.

15 Best Certification for Cybersecurity Professionals

— *Forbes*

Named one of the
**TOP CERTIFICATIONS
IN BEST
INFORMATION
SECURITY
CERTIFICATIONS**

Named the
**MOST VALUED
CREDENTIAL AMONG
EMPLOYERS**
by a margin of 3 to 1

Repeatedly voted
**'BEST PROFESSIONAL
CERTIFICATION
PROGRAM'**
— *SC Magazine*

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What CISSPs Say about Certification

“The CISSP was incredibly important for me after I launched into the private sector from government work because it’s seen as an absolute commitment to the cybersecurity profession. It’s an important designation to have on your calling card. It shows you have the background and deserve a seat at the table.”

Theresa Grafenstine, CISSP

Global Chief Auditor, Technology, Citi
Wilmington, DE, USA



What CISSPs Say about Certification



“CISSP is recognized worldwide as the gold standard. The whole premise of it is not just passing the exam but demonstrating you have the verifiable experience to perform at a high level. The ISC2 Code of Ethics is important. The ongoing CPE requirement is tough, but it helps make sure your skills stay up to date. It all adds up to a very credible certification.”

Angus Macrae

Head of Cybersecurity, King's Service Centre
Cornwall, England

What CISSPs Say about Certification

“In my twenties, I worked with large corporations and government departments. The CISSP reassured clients that, even though I was a relatively young person, I had the experience and skills they could count on. It requires you to be able to talk with a reasonable level of confidence about everything. Having the CISSP credential after my name showed CISOs I had real credibility.”

Chris Clinton

Co-Founder and CTO, Naq Cyber
Amsterdam, The Netherlands



What CISSPs Say about Certification



“The CISSP made me a stronger professional. It taught me that everything I was learning while working at one company was not going to work everywhere. Now I know what the standard is and how to identify the best framework. When I’m put in different and unfamiliar positions, I have a solid foundation from the CISSP that I can work from.”

Christine Izuako

Founder and CEO, Cyber Pop-up
Chicago, IL

What CISSPs Say about Certification

“Earning the CISSP is an important step in your career. When I passed the exam, I gained access to the strong network of industry professionals at ISC2. I attend industry events to learn more about how my peers are dealing with cybersecurity challenges. The ISC2 Community online discussion board and local chapters have engaging presentations and workshops where you can focus on your skills.”

Jason Lau

CISO, Crypto.com
Singapore



Benefits of CISSP Certification

CISSP, the gold standard in cybersecurity certifications, helps you stand out as a specialist. The benefits of certification are many, including:

- **Career opportunities and advancement.** Raising the credibility of your knowledge and expertise in improving corporate security can boost your career and create new opportunities.
- **Broad and fundamental knowledge of cybersecurity.** Acquiring versatile, vendor-agnostic skills that can be applied to different technologies and methodologies shows you understand how security works together to create an in-depth defense.
- **Credibility.** Acquiring a breadth of knowledge can help you build a solid foundation to be better prepared to mitigate and respond to cyberattacks.
- **Self-confidence.** You'll develop skills to reach a broader and deeper understanding of cybersecurity challenges and solutions.
- **Recognition.** You'll differentiate yourself from your peers, gaining respect and recognition from a community of security professionals.
- **Broader understanding of the connection between business and cybersecurity.** You'll develop a thorough understanding of existing and emerging security technologies.
- **Trust and confidence from your business partners.** You'll be able to speak competently about current security trends and risks and how they directly impact the organization, partners and customers.
- **Higher salaries.** ISC2-certified professionals report 35% higher salaries than non-certified practitioners.
- **Membership in a strong peer network.** You'll become an ISC2 member, unlocking exclusive resources, educational tools and peer-to-peer networking opportunities.



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Next Step:

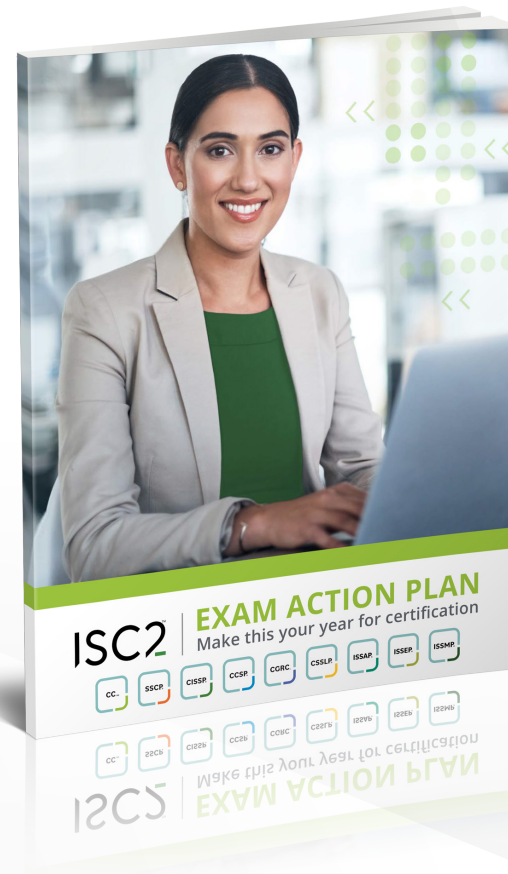
Get Your Exam Action Plan

Now's the time to move forward with CISSP certification. Download your free ISC2 Exam Action Plan. It will help guide you to commit, plan and succeed in achieving your CISSP certification goals.

Inside You'll Find

- Exam registration, policies and testing guidelines
- What to expect on your exam
- How to prepare with confidence
- Resources from our team
- Pro tips to achieve your goals

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About ISC2

ISC2 is the world's leading member organization for cybersecurity professionals, driven by our vision of a safe and secure cyber world. More than 265,000 certified members and associates are a force for good, safeguarding the way we live. Our award-winning certifications – including cybersecurity's premier certification, the CISSP® – enable professionals to demonstrate their knowledge, skills and abilities at every stage of their careers. ISC2 strengthens the influence, diversity and vitality of the cybersecurity profession through advocacy, expertise and workforce empowerment that accelerates cyber safety and security in an interconnected world. Our charitable foundation, the **Center for Cyber Safety and Education™**, helps create more access to cyber careers and educate those most vulnerable. Learn more and get involved at **ISC2.org**. Connect with us on **X**, **Facebook** and **LinkedIn**.