



**Certified Information
Systems Security Professional**

ISC2 Certification



The Ultimate Guide to the **CISSP**

Achieve the world's premier cybersecurity leadership certification

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Achieve More in Your Career

You prove every day that you have what it takes to secure critical assets. But our profession is always changing, and even the brightest minds can benefit from having a guide on the journey to success. ISC2 and [Enter OTP Name Here] are here to help you discover the right path, create your plan and thrive throughout your career

The Ultimate Guide to the CISSP covers everything you need to know about the world's premier cybersecurity leadership certification. Inside, learn how the ISC2 CISSP and [Enter OTP Name Here] help distinguish you as a top-level cybersecurity expert.

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Is CISSP Right for Me?

As organizations continue to pursue digital transformation initiatives, the threat landscape is always expanding. Yet cybersecurity leadership talent is scarce. That's where CISSP from ISC2 comes in — to help fill the gap. Once certified, the opportunities for certified professionals are near limitless.

CISSP, a vendor-neutral cybersecurity credential, shows you have the knowledge to design, implement and manage a best-in-class cybersecurity program in any environment. Vendor-neutral credentials are sought by organizations to avoid the limitations and expense of vendor lock-in.

CISSP is particularly well-suited for information security professionals seeking to prove their understanding of cybersecurity strategy and hands-on implementation. It shows you have the advanced knowledge and technical skills to design, develop and manage an organization's overall security posture.

Acquire five years of experience

To qualify for the CISSP, candidates must have a minimum of five years cumulative full-time experience in two or more of the eight domains of the ISC2 CISSP Exam Outline.

If you don't yet have the required experience, you may become an Associate of ISC2 after successfully passing the CISSP exam. The Associate of ISC2 will then have six years to earn the experience needed for the CISSP certification.



Jobs that typically use or require CISSP certification

- Chief Information Officer
- Chief Information Security Officer
- Chief Technology Officer
- Compliance Manager/Officer
- Director of Security
- Information Architect
- Information Manager/Information Risk Manager or Consultant
- IT Specialist/Director/Manager
- Network/System Administrator
- Security Administrator
- Security Architect/Security Analyst
- Security Consultant
- Security Manager
- Security Systems Engineer/Security Engineer

CISSPs in the Community



"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



"CISSP gives you a lot of street credibility with the people who do this for a living because they all understand what it is. It's definitely an important designation to have on your calling card. I see it as the gold standard in cybersecurity. It's the most-recognized credential in the security community."

Theresa Grafenstine

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



"When I passed the CISSP 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

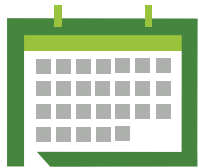


"The CISSP made me a stronger professional. It taught me that everything I was learning while working at one company was not going to work everywhere. Now I know what the standard is and how to identify the best framework. When I'm put in different and unfamiliar positions, I have a solid foundation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

Christine Izuako

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Chicago, IL

CISSP Fast Facts



Introduced in 1994



CISSPs are part of a network of more than 675,000 cybersecurity professionals



93% of CISSPs are lifers



ANAB accredited



Computerized Adaptive Testing (CAT) introduced December 18, 2017

Most required security certification by hiring managers on LinkedIn



DoD-approved



ISC2 certified members work in more than 170 countries globally



Average CISSP Salary: U.S. \$140,230



Shout-outs

RANKED #1 ON 'THE NEXT BIG THING' LIST as the certification survey respondents plan to earn in 2023. — *Certification Magazine*

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*

**#1 SECURITY
CREDENTIAL**
required by hiring
managers on LinkedIn

Benefits of CISSP Certification

Career opportunities and advancement

Raise visibility and credibility and create new career opportunities.



Credibility

Demonstrate a solid foundation to mitigate and respond to cyberthreats.



Membership in a strong peer network

Become an ISC2 member, unlocking exclusive resources, educational tools and peer-to-peer networking opportunities.



Expanded knowledge

Reach a deeper, better and broader understanding of the Exam Outline.



Versatile skills

Build vendor-neutral skills that can be applied to different technologies and methodologies.



Leadership

Develop a broad set of technical and nontechnical skills that job experience alone doesn't provide.



Higher salaries

Earn more. In 2023, Certification Magazine's annual survey lists an average salary of \$140,230 (in U.S.) and \$115,080 (globally).



Stronger skill set

Expand the skills and knowledge needed to fulfill organizational duties.

Benefits of **ISC2 Membership**

Once you earn your CISSP, you'll become an ISC2 member and part of a professional community that never stops learning and growing. You'll also gain access to a full suite of benefits and resources for continuing education and development, many that will help you earn CPE credits to maintain your certification:

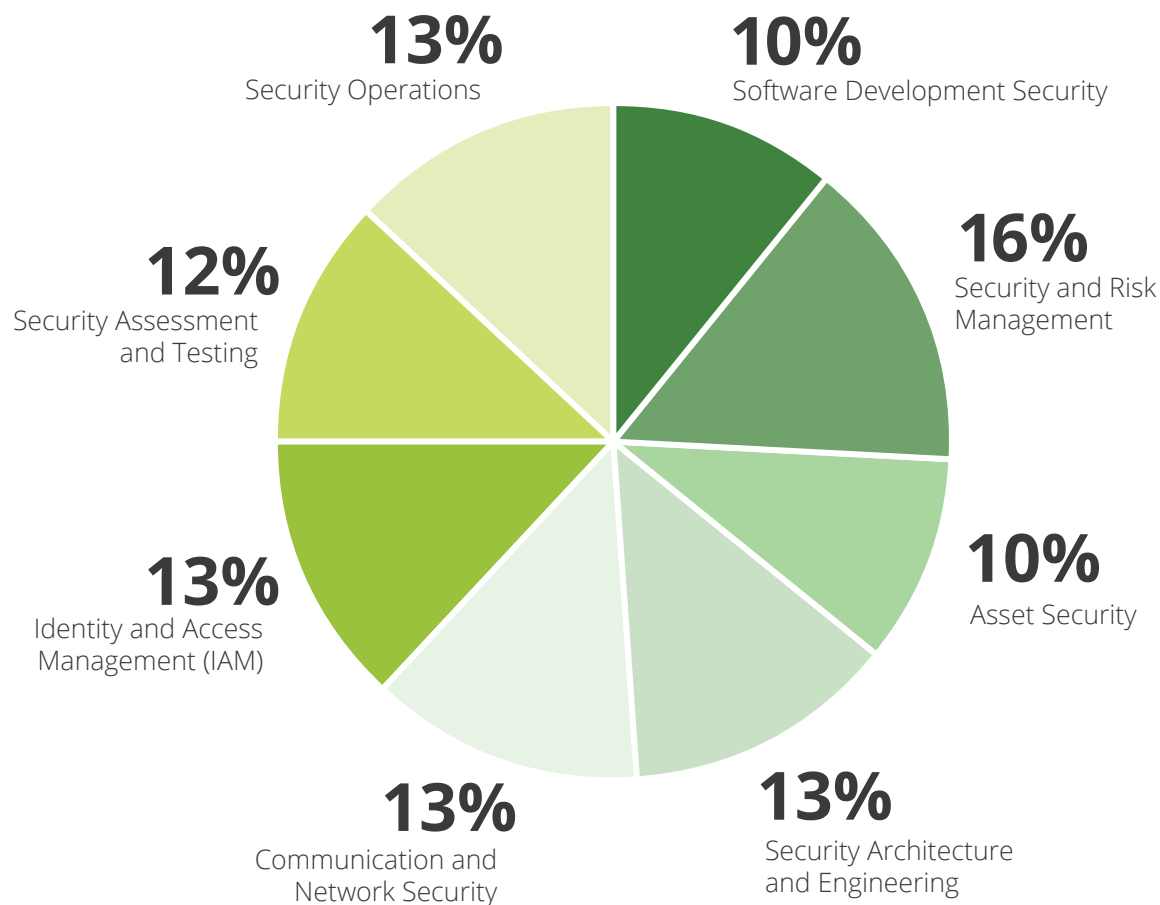
Continuing Professional Education (CPE) Opportunities

Continuing Professional Education (CPE) credits requirement helps you maintain your competencies following initial certification. By developing and enhancing skills through CPE activities, you make an important investment in yourself while increasing value to customers and employers.



Exam Overview

The CISSP exam evaluates expertise across eight security domains. (Think of domains as topics you need to master based on your professional experience and education.) Passing the exam proves you have the advanced knowledge and technical skills to effectively design, implement and manage a best-in-class cybersecurity program.



100-150

Number of items on the CISSP CAT (Computer Adaptive Testing) exam

3 hrs.

Maximum amount of time for the CISSP CAT exam

700

Score you need out of 1,000 to pass the exam

View the CISSP [exam outline](#).

Exam availability:

English, Chinese, German, Japanese and Spanish

Testing Centers:

ISC2 Authorized PPC and PVT Select Pearson VUE Testing Centers



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