



CCSK Training Partner Program

The Certificate of Cloud Security Knowledge (CCSK) is designed to ensure that a broad range of professionals with a responsibility related to cloud computing have a demonstrated awareness of the security threats and best practices for securing the cloud. The CCSK test is a web-based, multiple choice examination of individual competency in key cloud security issues as articulated by CSA.

Building a trusted cloud ecosystem is a broad initiative requiring a global educational outreach. The CCSK is intended to be an important educational foundation for a wide variety of professionals: IT, information security, audit, risk management, legal and many others. The Cloud Security Alliance intends to fulfill the global cloud security educational requirements through a 100% partner delivered training capability, the CCSK Training Partner Program.

Current Course Offerings

CSA currently has two courses available for partner instruction, **CCSK – Basic** and **CCSK – Plus**.

CCSK - Basic

The Cloud Computing Security Knowledge - Basic class provides students a comprehensive one day review of cloud security fundamentals and prepares them to take the Cloud Security Alliance CCSK certification exam. Starting with a detailed description of cloud computing, the course covers all major domains in the latest Guidance document from the Cloud Security Alliance, and the recommendations from the European Network and Information Security Agency (ENISA). This class is geared towards security professionals, but is also useful for anyone looking to expand their knowledge of cloud security. (We recommend attendees have at least a basic understanding of security fundamentals, such as firewalls, secure development, encryption, and identity management)

Duration: One Day

Suggested Price: \$695 USD, (CCSK test token included)

CCSK - Plus

The CCSK- Plus class includes the CCSK – Basic as its Day One offering. Day Two builds upon the CCSK Basic class with expanded material and extensive hands-on activities with a second day of training. Students will learn to apply their knowledge as they perform a series of exercises as they complete a scenario bringing a fictional organization securely into the cloud. This second day of training includes additional lecture, although students will spend most of their time assessing, building, and securing a cloud infrastructure during the exercises.

Duration: Two Days

Suggested Price: \$1,195 USD, (CCSK test token included)



Partner Program Overview

The partner program contains the following terms:

- No upfront costs (except getting instructors trained)
- 25% per student royalty payment to CSA (20% for CSA Corporate Members)
- Royalties payable 30 days after class conducted
- No geographical restrictions or exclusivity
- Non disclosure of courseware outside of classrooms
- Interactive Instructor led classes only – courseware not for web-based training (future web-based courseware versions to be made available in amended partner agreements)

Instructor requirements:

- Successfully obtain CCSK certification
- Attend CCSK – Plus and “Train the Trainer” Session (3 days)*

* First Train the Trainer Session is June 8-10, 2011 in San Jose, California. Future sessions to be posted at www.cloudsecurityalliance.org/education/training

How We Work Together

Cloud Security Alliance responsibilities:

- Provide courseware for CCSK – Basic and CCSK – Plus classes
- Provide CCSK test tokens for each student
- CSA website listing for CCSK training partners
- Promote partner classes through CSA website schedule and LinkedIn posting
- Promote partner classes through local CSA chapter if available

CCSK Trainer Partner responsibilities:

- Responsible for all logistics and costs for conducting classes
- Provide timely class schedule information to CSA for promotional activities
- Provide attendee email addresses to ccsk-admin@cloudsecurityalliance.org in order to allow token generation
- Provide attendee evaluation forms to CSA

Next Steps

Contact Jim Reavis at jreavis@cloudsecurityalliance.org for the partner agreement or further questions.

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