Your On-Ramp for a Career Path in Information Security

With the shortfall in the cybersecurity workforce projected to be 1.5 million globally in five years*, businesses are pressed to find qualified candidates to protect their organization against cyber threats. The need for candidates to prove their capability is more important than ever.

The Associate of (ISC)² allows those just starting out in the information security workforce to demonstrate their competence in the field. Associates have passed a rigorous (ISC)² certification exam, proving their cybersecurity knowledge, and maintaining their continuing professional education (CPE) requirements while working toward completing the experience requirements to become fully certified as a CISSP, SSCP, CCSP, CAP, CSSLP, HCISPP, CCFP.

Why Become an Associate

» Demonstrate cybersecurity knowledge while working to gain experience required for certification

» Enhance your credibility and marketability for the most desirable infosec opportunities and provide a career differentiator

» Affirm your commitment to understanding and applying security best practices – today and in the future

» As a member of (ISC)², gain access to valuable career resources, such as networking and ideas exchange with peers

» Potential for salary increase

35% average higher salary was reported by (ISC)² members compared to non-members*

*Source: 2015 (ISC)² Global Information Security Workforce Study
Steps to Become an Associate

1. Choose a Certification
   Choose the cybersecurity certification that best suits your career goals.
   - CISSP®
   - SSCP®
   - CCSP®
   - CAP®
   - CSSLP®
   - HCISPP®
   - CCFP®

2. Take the Exam
   You will have an allotted amount of time to complete the exam.
   Register at your local Pearson Vue Test Center:
   www.pearsonvue.com/isc2

3. Maintain Your Associate Status
   Once you pass the exam, you become a member of (ISC)². Maintain your Associate status through earning Continuing Professional Education (CPE) credits and paying an Annual Maintenance Fee (AMF).
   - 15 cpes
   - US$35 amf

4. Work Toward Certification
   To qualify for certification, you will have a specific time frame to obtain the cumulative paid, full-time work experience in the domains of the certification and complete the endorsement process. Be sure to inform your current or potential employer that you have achieved Associate status and the value it brings to the organization.

For more info, visit: www.isc2.org/associate

Member Benefits

- (ISC)² Security Congress
- (ISC)² Textbooks Discounts
- (ISC)² SecureEvents
- (ISC)² Chapter Program
- (ISC)² Receptions/Networking Opportunities
- (ISC)² Global Awards Programs
- (ISC)² Webinars
- Industry Conference Discounts
- Global Information Security Workforce Study
- InfoSecurity Professional Magazine
- Safe and Secure Online Volunteer Opportunities

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