



# Cisco Networking Academy

## Preparing the workforce of the Future

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The background is a futuristic, blue-toned architectural interior. It features a complex network of white lines and dots, resembling a digital or data network, overlaid on the scene. The architecture includes glass railings and structural beams, creating a sense of depth and modernity. The overall color palette is dominated by various shades of blue and teal, with bright highlights and soft shadows.

The world is a different place.

**Digital disruption fundamentally  
changes the role of the network!**

# The Network Faces its Biggest Transformation

## Connectivity-driven network (1983-2019)

Reactive  
Device Management  
Centralized Compute  
Fixed Wired Access  
Perimeter Security

## Business outcomes enabler (2019+)

Proactive  
Policy-based Automation  
Multicloud  
Wireless 5G + WiFi6  
Zero Trust

Predictive  
Intent-based  
Cloud / Edge  
Ubiquitous Roaming  
Self-Defending

# The IT Team of the Future

World of  
**Network Engineers**



World of  
**Software Developers**

# World of Network Engineers



## Automation

Software-defined infrastructure  
programmability



## Multi-Cloud

New expectations for speed,  
scale, and security



## AI/ML & Business Insights

For increased performance,  
reliability, and security

# World of Software Developers



## Application Economy

Speed of development, shift from IT to LOB,  
cloud offers quick and easy



## Internet of Things

Connectivity increases value,  
edge computing and analytics



## DevOps & Cloud

Powerful developer tools, APIs and open  
source, CI/CD and DevOps are enablers

**Secure Foundation**

# The New Network Requires New Skillsets

## Software Defined



Digital business and architectures rely on software defined networks

## Automation



Automation and virtualization now extend across all network domains

## APIs



Network device management moving from CLI to API

## Programming



Programming skills becoming essential to network admins

## Wireless



Wireless technologies now prevalent in access networks

## Security



Expanding security threats require new analytics and corresponding skills

***Employers expect foundational IP skills and breadth of knowledge from network engineers***

# Cisco Certification Evolution

Associate Level

Professional Level

Expert Level

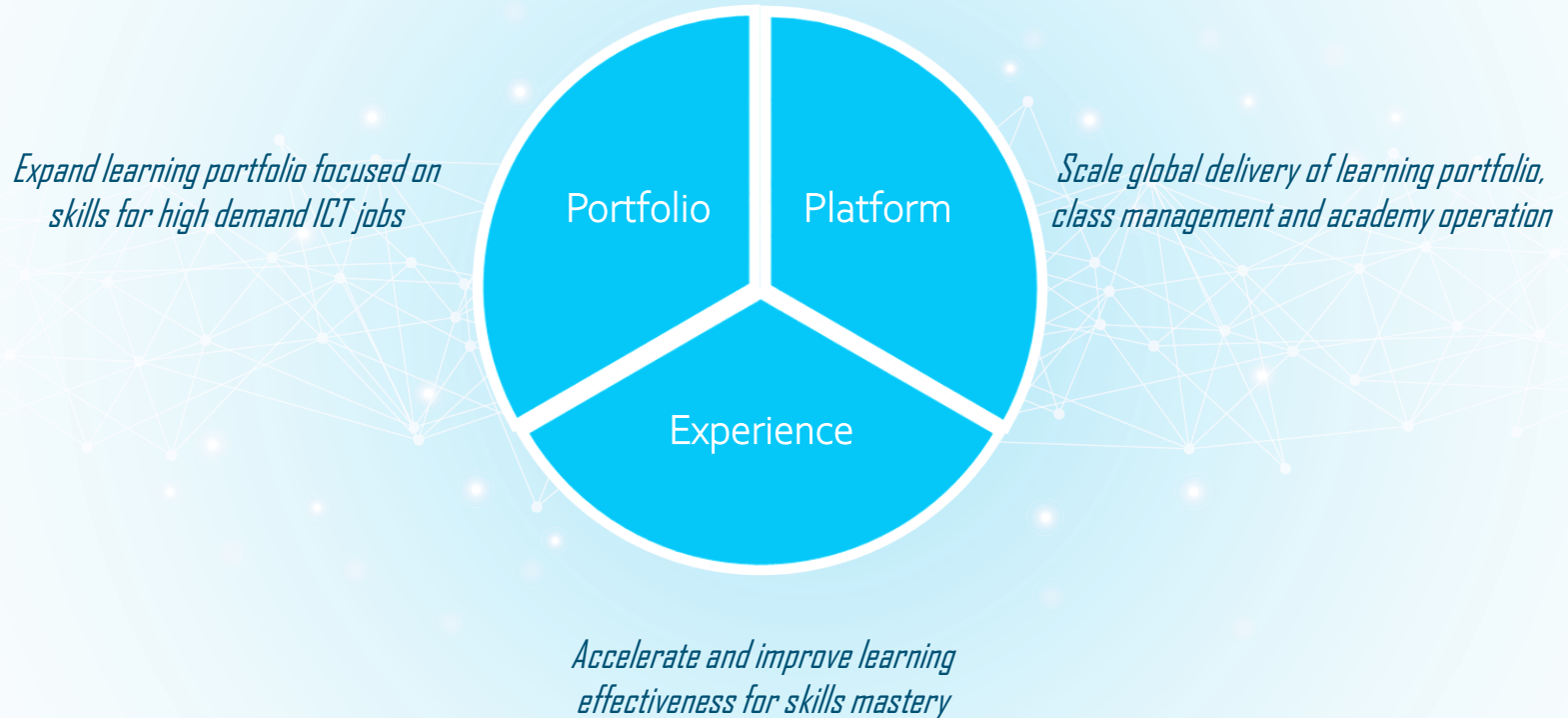
**Network  
Engineers**



**Software  
Developers**



# Networking Academy Learning Strategy





# Portfolio Direction

Planned Updates/Releases  
within 12 months

Under Consideration

## Explore

Get Connected

Introduction to Packet Tracer

Linux Unhatched

Cybersecurity Essentials

Introduction to Cybersecurity

Introduction to IoT

Networking Essentials

## Career



Digital Essentials

IT Essentials  
NDG Linux Essentials  
Entrepreneurship 2.0

PCAP: Programming Essentials in Python

Design Thinking (Hackathon Playbook)



Networking

CCNA 7.0:

- Introduction to Networks
- Switching, Routing, and Wireless Essentials
- Enterprise Networking, Security, and Automation

CCNP Enterprise:  
Core Networking  
Advanced Routing



Programmable  
Infrastructure

DevNet Associate

Emerging Tech Workshops:

- Network Programmability
- Experimenting with REST APIs
- Model Driven Programmability

IoT Fundamentals:

Connecting Things  
Big Data & Analytics



Cybersecurity

CCNA Security  
CCNA Cybersecurity  
Operations

IoT Fundamentals:  
IoT Security

Cloud Security (CCSK)

Penetration Testing  
(CEH)

## Practice

Packet Tracer

Gaming

Prototyping  
Lab

Virtual  
Labs

Assessments

Physical  
Equipment

Complementary Offerings



# Networking Future Innovation



**Digital  
Credentials**

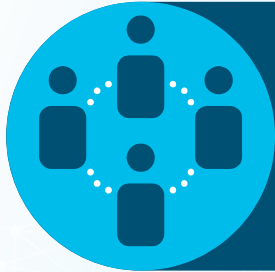


**Immersive Experience  
with virtual and  
augmented reality**



**Adaptive  
Learning  
Environment**

# Networking Academy Talent Bridge



Networking Academy Talent Bridge connects Cisco and partner employers with world-class NetAcad talent for the digital economy workforce of the future

Automates and systematizes the link between supply and demand to accelerate hiring

Provides career resources through webinars and [netacad.com](https://netacad.com) to help students succeed in job search

Offers hands-on learning opportunities to help students stand out in the job market

**20,000+ connections to job opportunities through Talent Bridge resources**  
**300+ Employers Participating in +170 Countries**



# Networking Academy Impact

Since 1997 we have trained

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**10.9M** students globally

**3.9M** students in EMEAR

**55.6k** students in Hungary

In FY19 we trained

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**2.1M** students globally

**745K** students in EMEAR

**13.5k** in Hungary

**Together, 3M students per year by 2023**

*Together we continue  
to develop the  
workforce of the  
future.*

- ✓ Equip students with career-ready skills for increased employment opportunities
- ✓ Constantly innovate for engaging & immersive learning experiences



