EDGE-CENTRIC, CLOUD-ENABLED, AND DATA-DRIVEN

Get the certifications and training you need to deliver the right IT outcomes
Our strategy helps companies accelerate their digital transformation with edge-centric and cloud-enabled solutions that are workload-optimized and delivered as a service so they can focus on innovation. HPE addresses the three biggest barriers to speed—transformation of technology, transformation of people and processes, and transformation of economics. We help to remove complexity and enable speed and agility so customers can focus on your apps, data, and outcomes.

**Ignite innovation with cloud**

Today, apps and data live in public, private, and hybrid clouds. And we believe the cloud experience should be open and seamless across clouds—with choice and flexibility to place apps and data where it makes sense. HPE’s Hybrid Cloud strategy delivers enhanced automation, unified management, workload-optimized solutions, and a consistent experience across clouds with the flexibility of composability across containers, clouds, and bare metal—and the choice to consume hybrid cloud as a service.

**Unleash the power of your data**

We believe intelligence changes everything—and we help enterprises create an intelligent data strategy where data is always on, is always fast, and delivers an automated, on-demand, and self-service experience for developers and data scientists. Our HPE Intelligent Data Platform helps enterprises accelerate insights from data, everywhere with an approach that’s AI-driven, built for cloud, and delivered as a service.

**Redefine experiences at the edge**

The opportunity at the edge is all about using technology and data to bridge the digital and physical worlds to create and deliver experiences that are personalized, timely, relevant, and enriched by context. HPE is investing in transformative technology to deliver the edge in a way that’s seamless, cloud-connected, and more secure.

**Deliver everything as a service**

Digital transformation is about accelerating innovation and a big part of that speed will come from the way technology is consumed and delivered. We deliver self-service, pay-per-use, subscription-based, and fully managed solutions, automated, and secured for you. With HPE GreenLake our pay-per-use, consumption-based IT model for any workload, anywhere, we bring the cloud experience to all of your apps and data, everywhere. These approaches free up capital, repurpose talent to innovation and eliminate overprovisioning—while supporting workloads with the latest technology.

“Everyone recognizes that customers want technology delivered as a service, but they also want it on their terms.”

— Antonio Neri, HPE President and CEO
HPE provides avenues for skills exploration, training, and validation

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Certified HPE professionals feel that their credentials open the door to new opportunities and advancements in their field.³

**HPE CERTIFICATIONS—EMPOWER YOUR CUSTOMERS, DRIVE YOUR CAREER**

HPE certifications can open doors by providing you and your team with the most sought-after IT skills and knowledge. Get the hands-on experience you need to start quickly, and learn how to design and build solutions that increase your value to your customers and your employer.

HPE gives you:

• Certifications that validate your skills and knowledge, so you know you have what it takes to excel in your career
• Advanced HPE certifications and the know-how and respect that comes with them
• Digital badges to electronically verify your certifications on social platforms such as LinkedIn, Facebook, and Twitter
• Knowledge and skills around technologies, products, and solutions driving customer change
• Training where and how you want it: self-paced web learning, traditional classroom, video on-demand, virtual instructor-led, hands-on and self-directed labs, HPE Press study guides and official practice exams, simulators and emulators, or dedicated on-site training
• A curriculum of unmatched breadth and depth that capitalizes on HPE's IT solution expertise
• Personalized learning plans to fit with your expertise, job role, and interests
• A supportive global community of IT professionals

² For HPE Partners achieving specializations.
³ Survey of HPE-certified learners, September 2018.
EXPLORE

You can begin your HPE certification journey by heading over to the My Learning Portal—your personalized IT skills resource. There, you can find options that fit your role and areas of interest, explore multiple training resources and career paths, and benefit from a wide range of free content—all from your own desk. Through the My Learning Portal, you can:

Get the right training. You’ll find a wealth of detailed information about a variety of IT topics—much of it available at no charge to you. Whether short and informative YouTube videos, more in-depth Top Recommended Training, or multi-day certification training, you’ll find the right resources to keep you ahead of the game.

Succeed with self-study. Self-study guides, self-directed labs, and exam prep materials from HPE Press let you learn when and where you want, at your own speed. HPE Press materials also serve as handy reference guides while on the job. See the wide variety of study materials—including free content—at hpepress.hpe.com.

Information at your fingertips
Go to mylearninghpe.com and log in using your HPE Passport credentials, or create your login.

Visit My Learning Portal to find a variety of learning opportunities, many of them offered free of charge. From there, you can start working on your learning plan or path to certification.

The best of HPE training on YouTube: Curated videos on the latest HPE solutions.

My Learning Portal—your one-stop skills shop
• Create your own learning path.
• View the certifications recommended specifically for you.
• Find free and fee-based learning opportunities.

My Learning Portal Welcome

My Benefit Level
• Access The Learning Center

My Learning Plans
You have added the following content to your Learning Plans:

Introduction to HPE
Not Applicable / Same / Sorry

My Top Recommended Training
Based on your areas of interest, we recommend the following offerings:

Introducing the HPE ProLiant DL320 Gen10 Server (1.5 hours)
Gen10 Portfolio Foundations (1.5 hours)
HPE2-S176 Multi-System Administrator (4.5 hours)
HPE2-S186 Solutions and Services Update 31/May/2018 (1.5 hours)
HPE Tech Pro Community Rewards: Benefits Tiers
Advance your skill set, advance your membership level, advance your rewards

Recognition and Rewards
• With higher investment in certification and continuous learning, members can progress to higher rewards and benefits, and access deeper levels of content and resources.
• Members earn badges for completing learning paths.

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<td>Targeted forums immediately connect you with IT pros and HPE experts for guidance, problem-solving, and best practices.</td>
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Why join Tech Pro Community?
Membership has specific benefits and provides:

Access to communities and resources
• HPE Tech Pro Community members receive access to a supportive global community of IT professionals, including peers and Partners.
• Get access to dozens of HPE technical tools and resources—including PSNow, HPE Information Library, and QuickSpecs—all in one place, with guidance on the best tool for your particular requirement.
• Targeted forums immediately connect you with IT pros and HPE experts for guidance, problem-solving, and best practices.

Continuous learning
• HPE Tech Pro Community continuous learning enables you to stay up to date on the latest HPE products and solutions, resulting in higher value and higher margin opportunities with your customers.
• Learning Paths are a modular set of curated concise and comprehensive learning activities by portfolio, so you can take your knowledge in one area from 0 to 100% just in time.
• The continuous learning badges recognize your accomplishments when you complete specific learning activities delivering the latest information. Designed to keep you up to speed on the latest and greatest HPE and industry innovation.
87% of HPE Partners agree or strongly agree that ongoing training is essential if professionals want to successfully meet customer IT needs.4

ARUBA RESOURCES

Aruba Airheads
The Aruba Airheads are an interactive community of 100,000+ customers, partners, employees, industry experts, and enthusiasts. They come together to share and learn about products, attend events, and connect. Members use the community as a forum to voice product and service questions, share ideas, opportunities, and best practices and find solutions to the challenges they face.

Join the Airheads Community and benefit from:

- Free access to Aruba documents, verified articles, technical webinars with our support team, and Validated Reference Designs (VRDs) to 8500+ Knowledge Base articles, terms, and definitions
- Access to 45,000+ forum discussion topics and solutions
- Exclusive training in the form of curated learning paths
- Sessions from Aruba’s Atmosphere Conference, technical conferences, and Airheads events
- The opportunity to become a recognized MVP for participation, expertise, and contribution (MVPs also receive exclusive access to events, Aruba teams, and the office of the CTO)

Aruba Instant On Community
The Aruba Instant On (AIO) Community is a great place to connect, learn, and share with some of IT’s most enthusiastic small business and luxury home IT and installer professionals. What you get are technology updates, self-help, and troubleshooting tips that help you deploy something new or turn on everything Instant On has to offer.

Anyone joining the AIO Community gains access to discussions about each product, blogs from Aruba subject matter experts, how-to-guides, and the best way to get support for their AIO products. The AIO is free and open to join.

4 Survey of HPE-certified learners, September 2018
Community benefits

- Collective knowledge: Experience from a worldwide community that gives you access to insights on today’s most popular mobile, IoT, and cloud use cases.
- The help you need: Free access to all of our product startup, install, and configuration guides. And just in case you’re looking at something new, a full range of “How to” documents.
- Discussion forums: A familiar way to ask your peers and subject matter experts questions that no one else in office could help answer.
- Product data: A simple way to see how Aruba Smart Mesh works, when a feature was added, or when new software became available.

The best thing is that if you need answers to some tough questions, the AIO is always on. You’ve told us that access to information when you need it matters, and we listened. To participate in the AIO, learn more here: Aruba Instant On Community.

VALIDATE

HPE certifications are some of the most respected in the industry. According to a recent survey of HPE-certified Partners, 76% agree or strongly agree that their customers have increased confidence in their work because they hold HPE certifications.5

Advance through multiple levels

The program offers HPE certification for technical and sales professionals. Technical certifications allow progression from entry-level to highly experienced.

HPE certifications

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<td>HPE Master Accredited Solutions Expert</td>
<td>The pinnacle of our certifications. This individual has demonstrated expert technical skills in advanced enterprise solutions, combined with IT business acumen. The Master ASE can align information technology to an organization’s financial and business goals—and is able to design and implement complex solutions from the proposal stage to live deployment.</td>
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<td>HPE Accredited Solutions Expert (ASE)</td>
<td>Advanced-level certification. Indicates expert technical skills for proposing, designing, implementing, configuring, administering, or supporting enterprise IT solutions.</td>
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<td>HPE Accredited Technical Professional (ATP)</td>
<td>Introductory-level certification. The individual understands the fundamental concepts, terms, technologies, and processes needed to implement and design HPE solutions.</td>
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<td>HPE Product Certified</td>
<td>Validates that you can recommend and demonstrate a specific HPE product or solution. It also shows that you understand the benefits and strengths of the solution or product.</td>
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<td>HPE Sales Certified</td>
<td>Indicates skills to harness HPE tools and resources to effectively uncover top customer needs, identify and validate the best sales opportunities, and leverage the solution areas that customers care about most.</td>
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**HPE Certification Status**

Certifications are always in one of four states: active, inactive, expiring, or expired. For those about to acquire a certification, we recommend that you review any program benefits you or your organization may be participating in, to verify you are obtaining the correct certification.

**Active:** Valid and current certification. Valid for program benefits (such as HPE Tech Pro Community, HPE Partner Ready).

**Inactive:** Valid, but no longer available. Inactive certifications cannot be achieved after the inactive date. If you are in the process of achieving a certification that displays an inactive date, complete all the requirements before the inactive date or move to the newer version. You continue to receive program benefits if the certification you have becomes inactive.

**Expiring:** Expiring certifications are still valid but their expiration date has been announced because the products and technology are changing significantly. To continue to receive program benefits (such as HPE Tech Pro Community, HPE Partner Ready), update your certification to an active certification.

**Expired:** No longer valid, not available. Expired certifications are not valid because the products and technology have changed significantly. To continue to receive program benefits (such as HPE Tech Pro Community, HPE Partner Ready), update your certification to an active certification.

When you become certified, you enter a unique global community with hundreds of thousands of members. Expert or professional, architect or integrator, support or sales staff, you’ll find peers and partners to connect with. As you progress through the levels of certification, you’ll gain access to a broader range of benefits. HPE Master ASEs and Aruba Certified Experts (ACES) are known and respected for their vast technical knowledge and skills.

**Aruba certification levels**

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<td>Aruba EDGE</td>
<td>Holds three or more Expert, Professional, or Associate certifications.</td>
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<td>Aruba Certified Expert</td>
<td>Aruba’s top-level achievement. This validates that you have the rich technical expertise to install, configure, and support mobile-first networks.</td>
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<td>Aruba Certified Professional</td>
<td>This level validates that you can build mobile-first network solutions. This means you know how to design, implement, and manage the modern mobile-first network for enterprise.</td>
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<td>Aruba Certified Associate</td>
<td>This level validates that you have foundational knowledge to build mobile-first networks. This means you can recognize and recommend the appropriate Aruba products and solutions based on customer needs.</td>
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**Aruba Certification Status**

- Aruba recertification is now based on the date a candidate achieved the certification. This change took effect on November 1, 2019, after which all technical career certifications will require recertification every 3 years; all Aruba product and sales certification will require recertification every 2 years.

- New certification prerequisite requirements and recertification policies:
  - The prerequisite for all professional level certifications will be the associate level certification within that certification domain.
  - Associate certifications will not have a prerequisite certification.
- Expert level certifications will no longer require a professional level certification and will consist of a written and practical exam.

- Course and exam names will be updated to be consistent with their related certification level. Certification badges/logos will be updated to reflect program changes (no more versions).

- The Aruba Edge domain is new this year and Aruba Edge Expert will replace Aruba Mobile First Expert.

**Impact on certification holders prior to November 1, 2019**

Aruba certification holders prior to November 1, 2019 will be assigned a transition period to re-certify their existing certification(s) based on the date they achieved the certification. Please reference the table below to identify when your certification will be set to expire. Existing certification holders will also receive an email from HPE with a 6-month, 3-month, and 1-month reminder to recertify.

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There are FAQs by topic to address any questions you have. Please click here to access the document.

**HOW TO GET STARTED**

Ready to equip yourself with the knowledge and skills you need to lead the IT conversation, drive bigger wins, and deliver the business outcomes your customers want? To get started:

1. Register for our [program](#).
2. Explore free web-based training, guided learning plans, continuous learning activities, and HPE certifications in the [My Learning Portal](#).

**LEARN MORE AT**
certification-learning.hpe.com

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