



COURSE2CAREER

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Network Engineer Career Programme



From no experience to job ready. Accredited certifications from Microsoft, AWS, CompTIA and Cisco, expert support and a guaranteed route to job placement on completion.

6

courses

2

exams included

Live

equipment practice

1 yr

full access

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PROGRAMME PRICE

£1,799

Pay in full, or from a £1 deposit spread over up to 48 months with Snap Finance





Why this programme

Every organisation runs on a network, and someone has to build it, keep it up and fix it when it breaks. Networking is one of the most durable technical careers there is: the hardware changes, the need does not.

Starting as a network engineer opens the rest of the IT industry to you. It gives you the foundation to climb into higher level networking roles, and it branches naturally into infrastructure project management, network architecture and cloud.

The programme is delivered online and self paced, so you study around work or family rather than taking time off, and you get practical experience on live equipment rather than only reading about it.

INCLUDED ON THIS PROGRAMME

Guaranteed Route to Job Placement

Structured recruitment support on completion. Subject to the conditions in our Terms & Conditions.

What is included

- ✓ Six industry recognised courses and certifications
- ✓ Practical experience on live equipment
- ✓ You are supported by a team of experts
- ✓ Expert CV rewrite and career coaching
- ✓ One year of full course access
- ✓ Two official examinations included in the price
- ✓ A dedicated mentor throughout your studies
- ✓ Personalised study plan on request
- ✓ Recruitment support and job placement route
- ✓ Finance options available



What you will study

Six courses taken in sequence, from cloud and hardware foundations through to enterprise routing and switching. Two official examinations are included in the programme price, marked below.

1

Microsoft Azure Fundamentals

Cloud concepts, core Azure services, governance, identity and pricing. Networks now reach into the cloud, so this is where the modern picture starts.

2

Amazon AWS Cloud Practitioner

The AWS equivalent: core services, architecture, security and billing. Employers run both, and knowing each makes you useful on either side.

3

CompTIA A+

Hardware, operating systems, troubleshooting, mobile devices and operational procedures across both Core exams. The groundwork under everything that follows.

4

CompTIA Network+

Networking concepts, implementation, operations and troubleshooting. The vendor neutral foundation that makes the Cisco material make sense.

EXAM INCLUDED

5

Cisco CCNA

Network fundamentals, IP connectivity and services, security fundamentals and automation on Cisco equipment. The certification named most often in UK network job adverts.

EXAM INCLUDED

6

Cisco CCNP (ENCOR)

Enterprise network core technologies: advanced routing and switching, infrastructure security, automation and virtualisation. The step from operating a network to designing one.

ON THE TWO INCLUDED EXAMINATIONS

The two official examinations included in the price are **CompTIA Network+** and **Cisco CCNA**. The Azure, AWS, A+ and CCNP courses are studied as full accredited courses within the programme; their examinations are not included and can be added at any time through our exam booking team.



Support at every stage

Self paced does not mean on your own. This is the part that decides whether people finish, and it is the difference between a course and a folder of videos.

1 Mentorship

A dedicated mentor is your main point of contact throughout, by phone, email and video call. Which order to take the courses in, when you are genuinely ready to sit an exam, and whether the role you are aiming at is realistic from where you are standing. No question is too simple.

2 Practical experience on live equipment

Networking is a hands on trade and interviewers know it. You work on live equipment rather than diagrams, which is what turns a certification into something you can talk about confidently in a technical interview.

3 A team of experts

Beyond your mentor you are supported by a team of tutors for the course material itself: the parts of a syllabus that do not land first time, and the detail behind an exam answer you got wrong.

4 Exam preparation

Revision questions, mock papers and readiness checks before you book either of the included examinations. You sit them when you are ready, and we tell you when that is.

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This course has far exceeded my expectations. The training is good and responses to my questions are quick and easy for me to understand.

Matthew, IT Helpdesk Technician



Practical work and what comes next

Practical work runs alongside the courses, then recruitment support begins once your examinations are passed.

1 Configuration on live equipment

Building, configuring and troubleshooting on real kit rather than in theory. This is the experience that answers the question every interviewer asks, which is what have you actually done.

2 Cloud alongside the network

Azure and AWS sit at the front of the programme on purpose. Modern networks extend into cloud environments, and being able to talk about both widens the roles you can realistically apply for.

3 CV and LinkedIn masterclass

On completion you are assigned a designated career coach who rewrites your CV so a hiring manager can see what you can do, and rebuilds your LinkedIn profile so recruiters find you for the right search terms.

4 Route to job placement

Interview preparation, help identifying the right roles and support applying consistently rather than in bursts. If you have met the programme conditions and have not secured a role, that support continues.

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Theory, practical and an examination makes the difference. They have given me the vehicle and I am now driving the car.

Lisa, Course2Career Student



About the roles

Network engineers set up, develop and maintain computer networks within an organisation or between organisations. You support the people using them, keep the network intact and performing, and troubleshoot problems when they appear.

01 Every organisation has a network

Which means the skill is not tied to one sector, one employer or one part of the country.

02 You do not need a degree

The field hires on certification and demonstrated ability. Cisco and CompTIA are the names hiring managers look for.

03 A clear route upwards

With experience you progress into senior network engineering, then network management and network architecture.

04 It branches sideways too

Network engineers move into infrastructure and technical project management, cloud engineering and customer facing technical roles.

05 Practical skill is what counts

This is a hands on discipline. Time on live equipment is worth more at interview than another certificate on the pile.

06 The need does not go away

Hardware and platforms change constantly. The requirement for people who can design, run and fix the network does not.



Career path and salaries

Published UK ranges for the roles this programme leads towards, taken from the National Careers Service job profiles. These are ranges for the role, not predictions about what you will personally earn.

IT Support Technician first role		£36k
Network Engineer		£52k
Network Manager		£70k

NAVY = LOWER OF RANGE BLUE = UPPER OF RANGE

READ THESE NUMBERS CAREFULLY

A range is not a starting salary. With no prior experience your first role sits at the bottom of the band, and the higher figures reflect several years of hands on experience. Certification improves your chances of being considered for a role. It does not on its own set your pay.

Sources. National Careers Service job profiles, checked 9 September 2026: IT support technician £24,000–£36,000; network engineer £25,500–£52,000; network manager £30,000–£70,000. Beyond these, network architecture and infrastructure project management are the usual next steps.

Other roles you will be qualified for

- ✓ Network Support Technician
- ✓ Infrastructure Technician
- ✓ Service Desk Analyst
- ✓ IT Support and First Line
- ✓ Cloud Support Associate
- ✓ Junior Network Engineer



Your study pathway

Six stages from enrolment to employment, in the order the courses are meant to be taken.

1

Enrol and get set up

You receive your login details and a welcome call. Tell us then about any learning needs so we can arrange support with you and with the examination body.

2

Cloud foundations

Microsoft Azure Fundamentals and Amazon AWS Cloud Practitioner. The context the rest of the programme sits inside, and the part most networking courses leave out.

3

Hardware and operating systems

CompTIA A+. Hardware, operating systems and troubleshooting: the groundwork that makes the networking material make sense.

4

Networking

CompTIA Network+ then Cisco CCNA, with practical work on live equipment alongside. These are the two examinations included in your programme.

5

Enterprise networking

Cisco CCNP (ENCOR). Advanced routing and switching, infrastructure security and automation. The step from running a network to designing one.

6

Recruitment support

CV rewrite, LinkedIn, interview preparation and help applying. Your route to job placement begins here.



What our students say

Real students, named, with the roles they moved into. Their full stories, including video, are on our website.

Benjamin Hunter

ROYAL NAVY TO SENIOR CONSULTANT, FDM GROUP

Left the Royal Navy with no civilian IT experience. Security clearance history, operational discipline and watchkeeping all transferred directly into a technical role.

Michael Durham

SALES LEADERSHIP TO A TECHNICAL CAREER

Came from a career in sales and sales leadership with no technical background. His own view is that the certifications were half of it, and being willing to put himself forward was the other half.

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I was at a career crossroads. I knew I wanted to get into IT but never had the confidence to make the jump. Once I was studying and interacting with their support team and my mentors I knew there was no way I could fail.

John, Service Desk Analyst

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The course and tutor support has been really great and beneficial for my progression.

Kaylee, Course2Career Student



Frequently asked questions

How does the Guaranteed Route to Job Placement work?

On completion of the programme our recruitment team works with you to secure your first role: professional CV rewrite, LinkedIn guidance, interview preparation and help applying consistently. If you have met the programme conditions and have not secured a role, that support continues. The full conditions are set out in our Terms & Conditions, and we would rather you read them before enrolling than after.

Which examinations are included in the price?

CompTIA Network+ and Cisco CCNA are both included in the £1,799 programme price. The Azure, AWS, A+ and CCNP courses are included as full accredited courses; their examinations are optional extras you can add at any time.

Can anyone join this programme?

Yes. You do not need prior experience working in IT, because the programme builds the cloud and hardware foundations before it reaches the networking material. What you do need is a genuine interest in the technical side of IT and the drive to keep studying.

Are the certifications recognised?

Yes. Every certification is awarded by Microsoft, Amazon Web Services, CompTIA or Cisco, not by us, and examinations are sat with the awarding body or an approved test centre. Your qualification is worth exactly the same as it would be from any other provider and it stays with you.

What does practical experience on live equipment mean?

You work on live networking equipment rather than only reading about it, so you can configure and troubleshoot a network rather than describe one. It is also the part interviewers probe hardest.

How long do I have?

You have a full year of access and the programme is self paced, so you can fit it around work and family. How quickly you move through it is up to you and your mentor will help you plan it.

Can I pay monthly?

Yes. You can pay in full or spread the cost from a £1 deposit over up to 48 months. Finance is provided by Snap Finance Limited, authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority under firm reference number 741813. Course Correct Ltd is a credit broker and not a lender. All applications are subject to status and affordability checks and you may be declined. Missing payments could have consequences, including legal proceedings, and could make it more difficult to obtain credit in the future.

Can I use ELCAS funding?

Yes, if you are a Service leaver or eligible serving member of the Armed Forces. Course2Career is an ELCAS approved provider, number 14012. Full detail and a calculator showing what you would pay are on our website.



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Tell us what you did before and what you want to reach. We will tell you honestly whether this programme fits, and if a different route suits you better we will say so.

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