

OUR LEARNING EXCLUSIVE

- Custom exam prep software and materials
- Exam delivery in the classroom, with a **98% success rate**
- Course-specific thinQtank® Learning publications to keep the learning engaging
- Extended hours of training, including immersive hands-on exercises
- **We do not teach the test.** We always deliver valuable hands-on experience
- All reading material and study guides sent to you when you register
- Every course taught by working IT auditors

TRAINING CAMP FORMAT

thinQtank® Learning delivers this course as an **instructor-led training camp**, with the exam sat in the classroom as part of the camp. Camps are scheduled by cohort rather than to a fixed calendar, and the balance of lecture and lab work is set to suit the group and the delivery method. Contact us for the schedule covering your dates.

PREREQUISITES

- A working understanding of information systems, networks and business processes
- Some exposure to audit, control, assurance or information security work
- No certification is required to sit the exam — the experience requirement applies when you APPLY to certify, not when you test

TARGET AUDIENCE

- IT auditors, internal auditors and audit managers
- Compliance, risk and governance staff who assess IT controls
- Security professionals moving into assurance and audit work
- Consultants who assess client environments against a standard

EXAM

ISACA CISA — Certified Information Systems Auditor

150 multiple-choice questions, four hours. Scaled score of 450 or better, on a scale of 200 to 800.

Five years of information systems auditing, control, assurance or security experience is required to CERTIFY — a bachelor's degree counts for one year, a master's for two, and certain certifications for up to two. You may sit the exam first: you then have five years from passing to apply.

CISA is ISACA's audit and assurance credential, and one of the most frequently named certifications in IT audit and compliance job postings.

COURSE OVERVIEW

thinQtank® Learning offers an industry-unique training camp in which students earn the **ISACA CISA** certification. As with all our ISACA training experiences, the exam is delivered in the classroom.

CISA is the audit and assurance credential — the one asked for by name in postings for IT audit, internal audit and compliance roles. It covers the whole audit process: risk-based planning and evidence, IT governance and management, how systems are acquired and built, operations and business resilience, and the controls that protect information assets.

The difference from a security certification is what you are asked to produce. A CISA does not just find a weakness — they evidence it, rank it, and write it up so that a board and a regulator both accept the finding. The **exam registration is available** at \$760 USD.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Primary course objectives:

- Plan a risk-based audit: scope, objectives, standards and authority
- Gather and evaluate evidence that supports a finding, not an opinion
- Apply ISACA's audit standards, guidelines and code of ethics
- Evaluate IT governance: strategy, structure, policy and board oversight
- Assess IT management, resourcing, third parties and performance
- Audit how systems are acquired, developed, tested and put into production
- Evaluate project governance and post-implementation review
- Audit IT operations: service management, incident and change control
- Assess resilience: continuity, disaster recovery, backup and recoverability
- Test the controls protecting information assets, logical and physical
- Evaluate data classification, privacy and the controls that follow
- Report findings by risk, to a technical and a governance audience

DELIVERY METHODS

- Instructor-led training
- Immersive live-online training
- On-site and custom delivery

WHAT YOU WILL BE ABLE TO DO

- Plan and run a risk-based audit from scope to signed report
- Gather evidence that supports a finding rather than an opinion
- Judge whether a control is designed well and actually operating
- Write findings a board and a regulator will both accept

EXCLUSIVE LEARNING PACKAGE

- Audit workpaper and evidence templates
- Control testing scenario pack
- Governance and resilience case studies
- CISA video course
- CISA reading plan and review guide
- CISA certification practice exam

COURSE MODULES

01 Information Systems Auditing Process — 18%

- Topic A: Audit standards, guidelines and the code of ethics
- Topic B: Risk-based audit planning and scoping
- Topic C: Evidence collection, sampling and testing techniques
- Topic D: Documentation, findings and reporting
- Topic E: Quality assurance and follow-up

02 Governance and Management of IT — 18%

- Topic A: IT governance, strategy and the board's role
- Topic B: Policies, standards, procedures and frameworks
- Topic C: Organizational structure, roles and segregation of duties
- Topic D: Enterprise risk management and the IT risk register
- Topic E: Third parties, contracts and performance management

03 Information Systems Acquisition, Development and Implementation — 12%

- Topic A: Project governance and management
- Topic B: Business case, feasibility and requirements
- Topic C: Development methodologies and control points
- Topic D: Testing, migration and go-live readiness
- Topic E: Post-implementation review

04 Information Systems Operations and Business Resilience — 26%

- Topic A: IT service management, incident and problem handling
- Topic B: Change, configuration and release control
- Topic C: IT asset management and end-user computing
- Topic D: Systems, database and infrastructure operations
- Topic E: Business impact analysis and continuity planning
- Topic F: Backup, recovery and disaster recovery testing

05 Protection of Information Assets — 26%

- Topic A: Information asset security frameworks and controls
- Topic B: Identity, access management and privileged access
- Topic C: Network, endpoint and application security controls
- Topic D: Data classification, privacy and encryption
- Topic E: Physical and environmental controls
- Topic F: Security awareness, monitoring and incident response

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