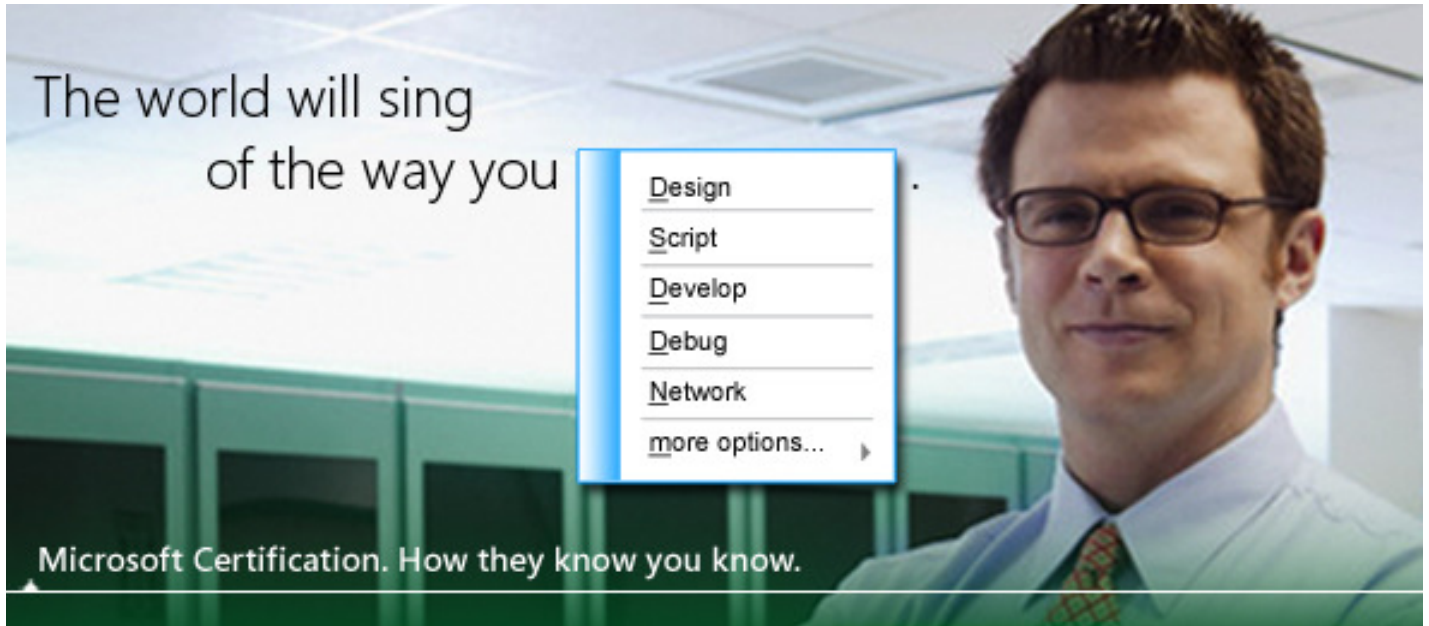


Microsoft Certification



About Microsoft Certifications

Show off your unique skills and validate your knowledge by obtaining a certification that matches your current or desired job role. Microsoft Certifications not only recognize and validate your real-world skills, but they also provide you with access to unique resources and offer you a life-long career path for developing your IT skills. Choose a certification track that matches your current or desired job role.

Why get certified?

Relevance. Earning a Microsoft Certification demonstrates your expertise with Microsoft products and platforms, your job-related experience, and your technical problem-solving skills. Microsoft Certifications are continually evaluated and updated to ensure their relevancy in the marketplace. As a result, earning a certification not only helps you stay up-to-speed on the latest Microsoft technologies and platforms, but showcases your skills and value on the job.

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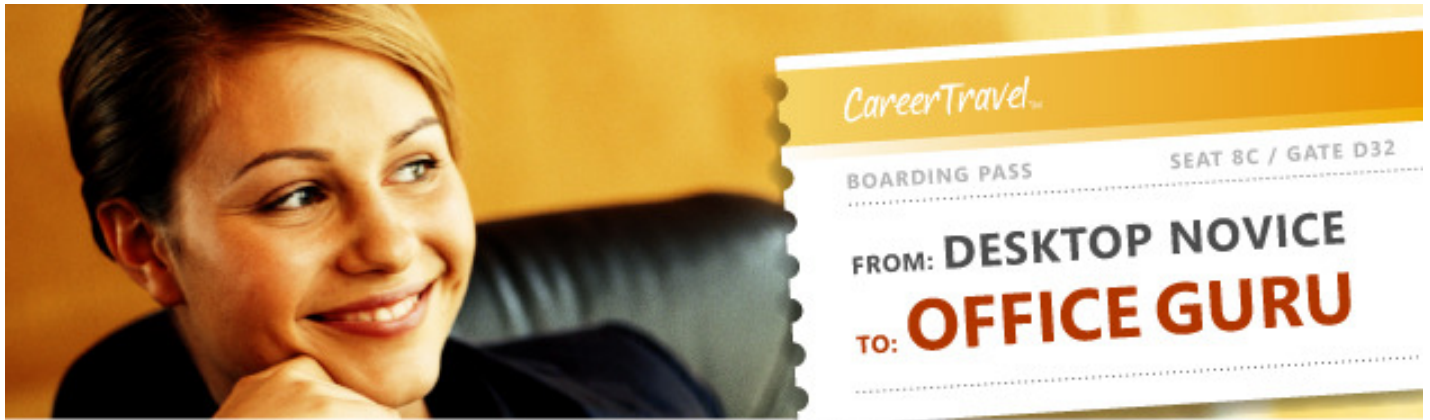
Earn College Credit with Microsoft Business Certification Credentials

The American Council on Education (ACE) has reviewed and recommended college credit for Microsoft Business Certification credentials, including the Microsoft Certified Application Specialist (MCAS) on 2007 Microsoft Office certification, the Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) on Office 2003 certification, and the MOS on Office XP certification. These certifications are eligible for one semester hour of college credit in lower-division BA degree or AA degree classes on computer applications, information technology, or computer information systems.

With the cost per college credit hour ranging from US\$275–\$750, students in high school, vocational school, community college, and four-year colleges can save time and money toward a college degree by earning an MCAS or MOS certification.

ACE maintains a network of more than 1,500 cooperating colleges and universities. Cooperating colleges are accredited colleges that agree to consider your ACE college-credit recommendations. Ultimately, every college and university has the discretion to accept credit for your ACE college-credit recommendations as they see fit.

Microsoft Certified Office Specialist



You'll benefit from Microsoft Office Specialist certification—whether you want to take your career further or improve your company's bottom line. That's because certification recognizes expertise with

Microsoft Office programs. Employers around the world know that it's a smart move to hire certified candidates. And, certification can be an employee's ticket to better career opportunities.

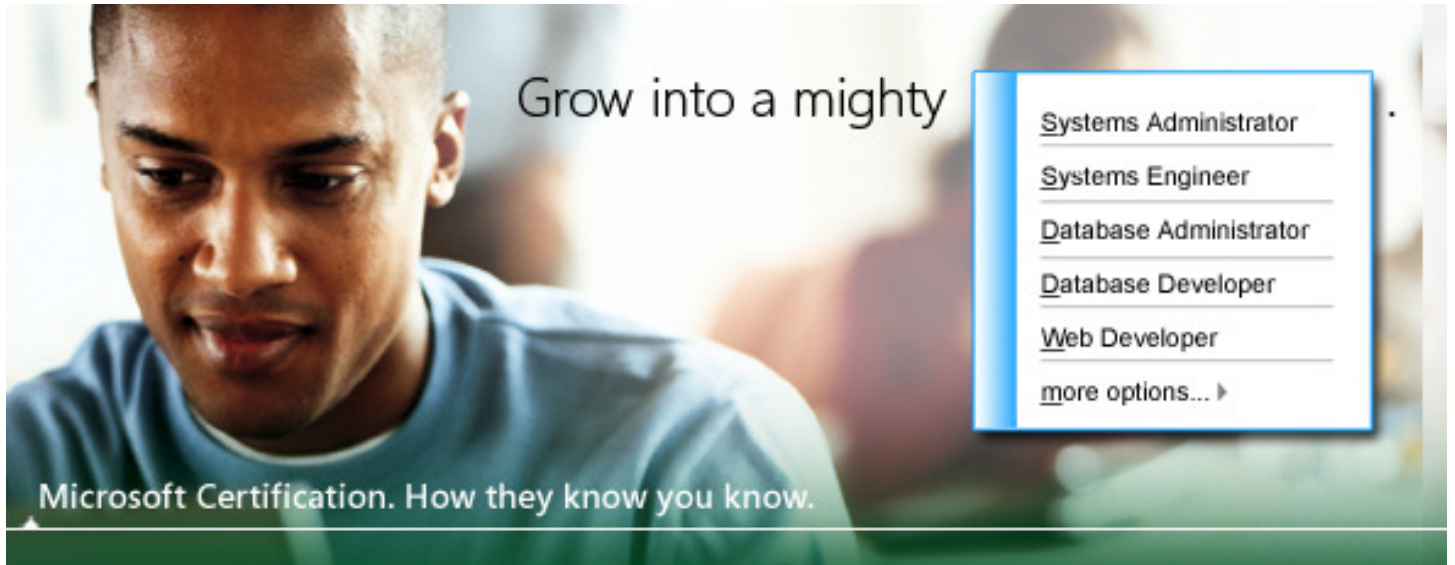
Individuals: Stand out as a Certified Microsoft Office Specialist

Microsoft Office Specialist certification can launch your career. Certification shows that you're an expert with Microsoft Office programs. It also sets you apart in today's competitive job market with skills to accomplish the most complex of Microsoft Office projects.

Employers: Certification helps improve your bottom line

Make those training dollars quickly pay off. Get your employees certified as Microsoft Office Specialists. Certification means that you'll have experts available for your Microsoft Office project needs. That's because Microsoft Office Specialists know how to best use all the power of the Office suite. And, Office Specialist certification makes it easier to pick the best individuals for the job.

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The Microsoft Office Specialist certification program is the only comprehensive, performance-based certification program approved by Microsoft to validate desktop computer skills in these Microsoft Office

desktop productivity programs:

- Microsoft Office Word
- Microsoft Office Excel
- Microsoft Office Outlook
- Microsoft Office PowerPoint
- Microsoft Office Access
- Microsoft Office Project

The Microsoft Office Specialist certification program provides computer program literacy, measures proficiency, and identifies opportunities for enhancement of skills. Successful candidates receive a Microsoft Office Specialist certification credential that sets them apart from their peers in the competitive job market. The certificate is a valuable credential that is recognized worldwide as proof that an individual has the desktop computing skills needed to work productively and efficiently.

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Microsoft Certification. *Don't stand still, stand out.*



Partners in Learning Grants Program

The Partners in Learning Grants Program provides government and education leaders with the local resources to deliver information and communication technology (ICT) skills training and curriculum leadership to primary and secondary teachers, school leaders, and students within their countries.

The Partners in Learning initiative supports Microsoft's long-term vision for the education marketplace—to empower teachers and students to achieve their fullest potential by providing greater access to the latest computer technologies and training in how to use them.

The Partners in Learning Grants Program will be extended to many countries around the world. Italy, Czech Republic, Spain, Namibia, Honduras, El Salvador, Philippines, Thailand, and China are just a few of the countries that have implemented this progressive program.