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SkillSoft Expands Learning Solutions for Cisco Network Professionals

Customers Rate SkillSoft's Diverse IT Training Solutions as Essential to Help Students Pass Certification Exams

NASHUA, N.H.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- SkillSoft, a leading SaaS provider of [e-learning](#) and performance support solutions for global enterprises, government, education and small to medium-sized businesses, announces the availability of new learning resources to support Cisco's latest CCNP(R) (Cisco Certified Network Professional) certification exams. The new curriculum equips network engineers with a variety of learning tools and mentoring services to develop the competencies needed to plan, implement and troubleshoot these network technologies. By using SkillSoft's courseware, global network professionals also acquire the knowledge needed to help pass the CCNP exams. CCNP is among the over 100 [IT certifications](#) supported by SkillSoft's learning resources.

"The constant evolution and ever increasing complexity of global networks puts tremendous pressure on businesses to keep pace. Continual training, skills development and certification testing of the IT staff are essential to meeting these evolving demands," said John Ambrose, SkillSoft's senior vice president of strategy, corporate development and emerging business. "SkillSoft is uniquely qualified to offer leading-edge training for Cisco's latest technology advances. We are a certified Cisco Learning Solutions Provider and have designed and built engaging learning programs that help ensure that IT professionals can handle the latest advancements in networking technology."

Cisco's CCNP is built on three certification exams: 1) switch administration and management, 2) routing and 3) troubleshooting. SkillSoft's courseware is designed to help network engineers prepare for these tests by working through a variety of [e-learning modules](#) and interactive, task-based lessons where learners practice skills under real-world scenarios. Expert SkillSoft mentors are available 24x7 to provide online support, guidance and encouragement to learners preparing for the CCNP exams. SkillSoft's mentoring team currently supports over 100 different vendor-specific exams and offers coverage for 13 certification vendors including Cisco, Oracle, CompTIA and Microsoft.

Live Learning is another key learning channel SkillSoft uses in its [IT certification courseware](#), and SkillSoft provides full coverage of the new CCNP exams in the Live Learning format. Students using Live Learning benefit from the flexibility and availability to participate in classroom training right on their desktop or laptop. SkillSoft's learning programs are developed and delivered by a [team of world-class Cisco experts](#) who collectively have more than 130 years of real-world experience and possess more than 100 technical credentials, including expert level (CCIE) [Cisco certifications](#). In a recent [survey of Live Learning](#) participants, 92 percent indicated that they passed their certification exam.

SkillSoft's new CCNP curriculum adds 41 e-learning courses and over 30 new Live Learning

training hours. The courseware supports development in the following areas:

1. Implementing Cisco IP Routing (ROUTE): This learning path focuses on advanced routing and explains how students should implement Cisco routers connected to LANs and WANs, and scale implementations without redesigning the network when additional sites or wiring configurations are added.
2. Implementing Cisco Switched Network (SWITCH): This learning path enables students to create an efficient and expandable enterprise network by outlining how to install, configure, monitor and troubleshoot network infrastructure equipment according to the Cisco Enterprise Campus Architecture.
3. Troubleshooting and Maintaining Cisco IP Networks (TSHOOT): Students following this learning path gain knowledge required to maintain complex network environments and to diagnose and resolve network problems quickly and effectively.

About SkillSoft

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Content offerings include business, IT, desktop, compliance and consumer/SMB courseware collections, as well as complementary content assets such as Leadership Development Channel video products, KnowledgeCenter(TM) portals, virtual instructor-led training services and online mentoring services. SkillSoft's Books24x7(R) product offering includes access to more than 25,000 digitized IT and business books, as well as book summaries and executive reports. Technology offerings include the SkillPort(R) learning management system, Search-and-Learn(R), SkillSoft(R) Dialogue(TM), inGenius(TM) and virtual classroom.

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