

# Cybersecurity Certification Roadmap

Let TOPTALENT LEARNING be your guide on the cybersecurity certification roadmap, offering CompTIA as the cornerstone of your training. Pair CompTIA certifications with specialized vendor-specific courses to forge your path into the cybersecurity field!



## → Core

- CompTIA ITF+ (Exam FCO-U61)
- CompTIA A+ Part 1 (Exam 220-1101)
- CompTIA A+ Part 2 (Exam 220-1102)
- CompTIA Project+ (Exam PK0-005)

## → Intermediate

- CompTIA CySA+ (Exam CS0-003)
- CompTIA PenTest+ (Exam PT0-002)

## → Vendor Specific

- Cisco Certified Network Associate (CCNA)
- Certified Ethical Hacker (CEH)
- Cisco Certified Network Professional (CCNP)
- Certified Information Security Manager (CISM)
- Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP)

## → Beginner

- CompTIA Network+ (Exam N10-008)
- CompTIA Security+ (Exam SY0-601)
- CompTIA Server+ (Exam SK0-005)
- \*CompTIA Linux+ (Exam XK0-005)

## → Advanced

- CompTIA CASP+ (Exam CAS-004)

*\*Optional*



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# “CompTIA certifications are the best way to future-proof a career in the IT industry.”

## Competitive Edge:

**91%** of employers believe IT certifications play a **key role** in the hiring process and are a reliable predictor of a successful employee.


## Certified Benefit:

53% more ability: Certified staff outperform non-certified staff in job-critical tasks.

## Job Satisfaction:

76% of CompTIA certified IT pros are satisfied with their job.

## Texas is 1 of The Top 3 States & Metro Areas for Cybersecurity Jobs

 57,878 job openings in Texas. Dallas-Fort Worth is the top metro area.

## Value of Certification:

Gaining industry-recognized certifications can help learners differentiate themselves in a challenging job market. It's essential to validate skills and add valuable credentials to a resume or advance in an IT career.

## Top Cybersecurity Jobs

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### Security Architect

The average Security Architect salary in Dallas, TX is \$131,075 as of September 25, 2023.

### Cybersecurity Manager

The average cyber security manager salary in Texas is \$154,015 per year or \$74.05 per hour. Entry level positions start at \$126,750 per year while most experienced workers make up to \$197,300 per year.

### Cybersecurity Engineer

The average Cybersecurity Engineer salary in Dallas, TX is \$157,587.

### Penetration and vulnerability tester

The average penetration tester salary in Texas is \$130,000 per year or \$62.50 per hour. Entry level positions start at \$112,500 per year while most experienced workers make up to \$150,810 per year.

### Security Analyst

The average salary for a security analyst in Texas is \$73,000 per year. Security analyst salaries in Texas can vary from \$25,000 to \$161,000.



*\*Sources: CompTIA.com, Salary.com, Talent.com, Ziprecruiter.com, Intuit.com*