The CCNA (Cisco Certified Network Associate) is one of the most well-known entry-level certifications within the Information and Computer Industry (IT). Holding this credential proves your ability to install, configure, manage and support small to medium sized networks of computers.

Employment Outlook:

At present, there’s a large demand for network engineers, but most of these IT positions require some sort of hands-on experience. Many aspiring networking professionals find themselves asking the question, how can you get experience if you can’t get a networking job to start? It’s simple, earn the CCNA. Earning your CCNA can be the career jump start you were looking for, moving you from a standard help desk position into actual server rooms and networking closets.

PayScale.com surveyed a group of 8,137 CCNAs finding their average yearly salary ranged from $39,195 to $118,830, depending on the participants location, years of experience and job title. According to the study, the city with the highest average salary was San Jose, California, coming in at $95,183. For more information, see http://resources.infosecinstitute.com/average-ccna-salary-2013/

Evergreen Valley College program in Computer Network Technology

The Cisco Certified Network Associate Program at Evergreen Valley College is geared towards an entry-level network engineer that focuses on routing and switching for Network Specialists, Network Administrators, and Network Support Engineers. Upon completion of course work, students acquire the knowledge and the ability to install, configure, operate, and troubleshoot medium-size routed and switched networks. This body of knowledge prepares you to the pass the Cisco Certification test. There aren’t any prerequisites to sit for the exam.

Classes

CIT – 073 Fundamentals of Data Communications and Networking
CIT – 074 IP Routing Protocols (CCNA)
CIT – 075 The Local Area Networks: Ethernet and Wireless Network (CCNA)
CIT – 076 Intro to Wide Area Networks, Network Security & IP Addressing Svcs
CIT – 077 Introduction to IP Network Security
CIT – 091 Network Troubleshooting (CCNP)