

# ISACA CERTIFICATION FACT SHEET

ISACA's portfolio of experience-based certifications has provided ISACA the recognition of being the global leader in business technology certifications. ISACA's [Certified Information Systems Auditor \(CISA\)](#), [Certified Information Security Manager \(CISM\)](#), [Certified in Risk and Information Systems Control \(CRISC\)](#) and [Certified in the Governance of Enterprise IT \(CGEIT\)](#) certifications are accredited by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) under the International Standard ANSI/ISO/IEC 17024:2012. For more information, visit [www.isaca.org/certifications](http://www.isaca.org/certifications).



**Certified Information Systems Auditor® (CISA®)**  
[www.isaca.org/cisa](http://www.isaca.org/cisa)

Since 1978, the [CISA](#) certification has been a globally accepted standard of achievement among information systems (IS) audit, control and security professionals. More than 145,000 professionals have earned the CISA designation since inception.

The CISA certification is sought by those who audit, control, monitor and assess an enterprise's information technology and business systems. CISAs are recognized internationally as professionals with the assurance knowledge, skills, experience and credibility necessary to leverage standards, manage vulnerabilities, ensure compliance, offer solutions, validate controls and deliver value to the enterprise. The CISA often is a mandatory qualification for employment as an information systems (IS) auditor.

CISA was named Best Professional Certification Program in the SC Awards 2017; it was the seventh straight year that CISA was a finalist in the category. CISA is among the highest-paying IT certifications based on the 2018 IT Skills and Salary Report conducted by Global Knowledge, with an average salary in North America of US \$97,117.



**Certified in Risk and Information Systems Control (CRISC)**  
[www.isaca.org/crisc](http://www.isaca.org/crisc)

Introduced in 2010, the [CRISC](#) certification is for IT and business professionals – including risk and compliance professionals, business analysts and project managers – who identify and manage risk through the development, implementation and maintenance of appropriate information systems (IS) controls. Close to 25,000 professionals have earned the CRISC designation since inception.

CRISC was ranked the second highest-paying certification globally for 2018 based on the 2018 IT Skills and Salary Report conducted by Global Knowledge, with an average salary in North America of US \$107,968.



**Certified Information Security Manager® (CISM®)**  
<http://www.isaca.org/cism>

Sought after by experienced information security managers, the [CISM](#) certification is a groundbreaking credential earned by more than 42,000 professionals since it was established in 2002. The management-focused CISM is the globally accepted achievement for individuals who develop, build and manage enterprise information security programs.

CISM was the winner of the 2018 SC Awards “Best Professional Certification Program” and the 2018 SC Europe Awards for “Best Professional Training or Certification Programme;” it was the eighth year in a row it was named an SC Awards 2018 finalist in this category for the North American awards. CISM is among the top ten highest-paying IT certification based on the 2018 IT Skills and Salary Report conducted by Global Knowledge, with an average salary in North America of US \$105,926.



**Certified in the Governance of Enterprise IT (CGEIT)**  
[www.isaca.org/cgeit](http://www.isaca.org/cgeit)

Introduced in 2007, the [CGEIT](#) credential is for professionals who manage, provide advisory and assurance services that support the governance of an enterprise’s IT. CGEIT-certified professionals deliver on the focus areas of IT governance and approach it holistically, enhancing value to enterprises. More than 8,000 professionals have earned the CGEIT credential to date.

CGEIT was ranked as the third highest-paying certification globally for 2018 based on the 2018 IT Skills and Salary Report conducted by Global Knowledge, with an average salary in North America of US \$117,544.



**CSXP Certification**  
<https://cybersecurity.isaca.org/csxp>

ISACA also offers the [CSX Practitioner \(CSXP\) Certification](#) – the only comprehensive cybersecurity *performance* test to validate technical cybersecurity skills across five security functions – Identify, Protect, Detect, Respond, and Recover – to serve first responders in globally in-demand cybersecurity roles. CSXP was named SC *Magazine’s* 2017 “Best Professional Certification Program” in the Professional Awards category, and was named a finalist in 2018. The CSXP exam has been updated for 2018 to reflect the job tasks of today’s cybersecurity practitioner and has transitioned to remote proctor delivery.

### **Earning an ISACA Certification**

To earn an ISACA certification, candidates are required to pass the certification exam, demonstrate proven experience in the respective profession, agree to comply with the continuing education policy and follow ISACA’s [Code of Professional Ethics](#). For more information, download the [ISACA Exam Candidate Information Guide](#). For more information on earning the CSXP, visit the [CSXP Exam Candidate Information Guide](#).

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