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ISACA Certification Exam Changes and Spring Exam Review Classes:

ISACA announced online certification exams, new testing centers, and a change to the CISM exam - all happening in 2017. Certification exam review classes will continue to be offered by the New York Metropolitan Chapter.

Education Classes: Auditing Unix/LINUX - December 8 & 9, 2016; Auditing Active Directory and Windows - December 20 & 21, 2016; Introduction to Cyber Security Technology 101 - March 23, 2017.

Membership Events: Winter Membership Meeting and Holiday Event - December 14, 2016. Also, dates for future events.

Special Offer for Veterans and Students: Exploring Careers in Programming and IT: A 4-hour Boot Camp, offered by AFCEA New York, IEEE New Jersey Section, and the Stevens Institute of Technology. Saturday, December 3, 2016 10AM at Stevens Institute. \$15 fee includes morning coffee and pizza lunch. [Registration and information.](#)

Additional CPE Opportunities: Need more CPEs for 2016? [Go to ISACA's website for online learning and webinars.](#)

MEMBERSHIP

Committee Chair [Matthew Poswolsky](#)

The Membership Committee coordinates membership meetings, as well as recognition events and social events (e.g., annual golf outing). These events are excellent opportunities to hear about Chapter news and initiatives, learn about a current topic of interest, and network with other information technology audit, security, risk management, and governance professionals. Current Membership Committee members are: Matthew Poswolsky, Teena Bacchus, Yuliya Krol, Michael Shanahan, and Kwongmei To.



Upcoming Events

December 14, 2016 - Winter Membership Meeting and Holiday Event - 6:00pm - 9:00pm

Come and celebrate the holidays with your colleagues and friends. In addition, get that last CPE you may need! Benefits of attending include 1 CPE, networking, food, and beverages. Fees are Members = \$30, Non-Members = \$50. Hope to see you all there. [Registration and information.](#)

Save the Date

February 16, 2017 - Winter Social at Frames Bowling Alley
March 23, 2017 - Annual Certification Recipient and Past Presidents Recognition Event
April 27, 2017 - Spring Membership Meeting at Citi (53rd Street & Lexington Avenue)
June 15, 2017 - Annual Gala and Wasserman Award Dinner at the Union League Club

Member Get a Member is BACK! The 2016 program offers rewards for recruiting new members - top rewards are gaming system, smart luggage and surface projector. Visit ISACA's website for details on how the [Member Get a Member](#) program rewards you when you influence others to join ISACA.

Maintain your ISACA Profile and Contact Information Edit your ISACA profile: Login at www.isaca.org. Click the **My ISACA** tab, click *myProfile*, and then click on the "Account - Certification CPE - Demographic Info" tab. Click the Edit button at the bottom of the display to make changes.

Recommendations and suggestions are welcome for new events, speakers, sponsors, venues, and topics for meetings and conferences. Email your suggestions to membership@isacany.org.

Members @ A Glance Visit the [Members @ A Glance](#) webpage for a quick reference guide to Who We Are and the benefits the New York Metropolitan Chapter offers.

EDUCATION

Committee Chair [Sabine Charles](#)

Upcoming Onsite Courses

Full time students and veterans are eligible for 25% discount of membership rates, upon presentation of current class schedules or valid student/veteran ID. Please be sure to register early for the upcoming classes. Unless registration is open, date and topics maybe changed at a later date.

AUDITING UNIX/LINUX December 8-9, 2016

Location: AIG, 175 Water Street (18th Floor), New York, New York

[Registration and information.](#)

Auditing Unix/Linux is two days hands-on training class that provides in-depth coverage of Unix/Linux security issues that includes specific configuration guidance and practical, real world examples, tips and tricks. In this training class, you will learn how to examine general problems, including vulnerabilities in the password authentication system, file system, virtual memory system, and applications that commonly run on Unix/Linux, and processes to mitigate or eliminate them. In this highly practical workshop, you will learn the essential background information, resources, tools, and techniques necessary to plan and execute Unix/Linux audits. You will receive a variety of invaluable checklists, matrices, and other worksheet tools. This training class provides useful information for auditors, information security professionals, and IT staff.



Students are required to bring a laptop in order to ensure that the hands-on exercises can be completed. The laptop should meet the following specifications:

- CD-ROM drive
- A minimum of 3 gigabytes of free hard disk space
- A minimum of at least 1 gigabyte of RAM
- Administrator privileges including the capability to install and run tools, as well as disable anti-virus
- VMWare Player should be installed
- Windows 7 professional or later (Home or similar editions will not have the features needed.)"

Level: Intermediate; 14 CPE

Instructor:

Tanya Baccam, a SANS courseware author, specializes in building and disseminating best practices to security architecture in various areas such as perimeter security, network infrastructure design, system audits, Web server security, and database security. With over 10 years of extensive experience in Information Security, she has provided variety of capacities as a consultant for clients in system audits, vulnerability and risk assessments, database assessments, Web application assessments, and penetration testing. Tanya was director of assurance services for a security services consulting firm; Manager of infrastructure security for a healthcare organization; and a manager at Deloitte & Touche in the Security Services practice. Tanya currently holds the CPA, GIAC GCFW, GIAC GCIH, CISSP, CISM, CISA, CCNA, and OCP DBA certifications. Tanya is a senior instructor at Baccam Consulting.

AUDITING ACTIVE DIRECTORY AND WINDOWS *December 20-21, 2016*

Location: *BlackRock, 40 East 52nd Street, New York, New York 10018*

[Registration and information.](#)

Auditing Active Directory and Windows course focuses on identifying the risks that are specific to an Active Directory and Windows environment. The Windows operating system is typically well known and utilized, but can be difficult to secure since there are a large number of security options available. This course provides the tools and techniques to effectively conduct an Active Directory and Windows audit. Hands-on exercises give students the opportunity to conduct an audit on their own Windows system, as well as understand the different security options that Windows provides.

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INTRODUCTION TO CYBER SECURITY TECHNOLOGY 101 *March 23, 2017*

Location: *TBD*

[Registration and information.](#)

Introduction to the fundamentals of cyber security technology, protocols, and architecture including attack methods, threat models, authentication, encryption, firewalls, attack detection, and architecture. No technical background is required.

Level: Beginner, 8 CPE

Instructor:

Dr. Edward G. Amoroso, CEO TAG Cyber, International Cyber Security Expert; three decades' experience protecting networks, systems from advanced attack; three decades' experience instructing graduate students in cyber security; author six books on cyber security; work featured on CNN, New York Times, Wall Street Journal, C-SPAN, and CNBC.

CERTIFICATION

Committee Chair [Raisa Serebrenik](#)

Certification Exam Test Date and Location Changes

ISACA announced big changes for certification exam dates and locations. Starting from May 1, 2017, CISM, CISA, CRISC and CGEIT exams will be available at globally located computer-based testing (CBT) centers. ISACA will administer all certification exams via CBT to provide the following benefits for anyone interested in attaining certifications:

- **More Test Dates** The opportunity to take exams is expanded to three eight-week long testing windows. Testing facilities are open 6 days per week (with the exception of holidays), and you can choose from morning or afternoon testing times.
- **More Test Centers** ISACA's CBT testing vendor PSI has more than doubled the available test sites.
- **Faster Test Results** Preliminary pass/fail results will be available immediately after the exam, with official exam results emailed within 10 business days.
- **More Opportunity to Reschedule** Candidates who are unable to take the exam on their scheduled date can reschedule within the same testing window.



The multiple-choice format of the exams will not change in 2017. However, CBT will allow for future development of more dynamic methods of testing the content.

[The first testing window is May 1 through June 30, 2017.](#) [Registration is open NOW - click here for information and registration.](#)

CISM Certification Exam Changes

Effective in 2017, a new CISM job practice will be in place and the CISM exam will contain 150 questions. These changes are the result of a recent job practice analysis. Results validated that decreasing the amount of questions to 150 provides high reliability that the exam is a valid assessment of the knowledge outlined in the

exam specifications. At a recent CISM Certification Working Group meeting, the Working Group approved the testing of 150 items via a formal vote. In 2017, the CISM job practice will be restructured to reflect the latest responsibilities of information security management professionals:

- Domain 1-Information Security Governance will become 24 percent of the exam.
- Domain 2-Information Risk Management will become 30 percent of the exam.
- Domain 3-Information Security Program Development and Management will become 27 percent of the exam.
- Domain 4-Information Security Incident Management will become 19 percent of the exam.

The updated CISM job practice reflects the expertise of CISM Practice Analysis Task Force members and independent subject matter expert reviewers. A validation survey was distributed to 5,000 CISM professionals worldwide, with more than 1,400 information security professionals responding and validating the results.

Certification Exam Review Classes for Spring 2017

The New York Metropolitan Chapter will continue to offer review classes for all four ISACA® certification exams. The Spring 2017 certification exam review class schedule will be announced in the next few weeks and registration will open at the end of December.

If you would like to host a training location or teach a review class, please contact Certification@isacany.org

Enhance your career by earning a new ISACA certification this year!

We look forward to meeting you at our upcoming membership events.

Questions on ISACA certifications? Contact ISACA HQ staff directly at certification@isaca.org
[CPE reporting FAQs](#)

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Employers: List open positions on our website for **FREE!** Openings are posted for 30 days unless you direct otherwise. Send position description and contact information to jobs@isacany.org. **NOTE:** job postings can only be seen by registered users logged into our site.

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