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**AUTHORIZED TESTING CENTER**

## NEWS UPDATE

February 1, 2024



# Training for IT educators

## Upcoming webinar: Exploring foundational concepts of AI

Artificial Intelligence is a hot topic of discussion. Join us on February 7 at 12 PM EST to hear from a panel of professionals from CertNexus, Microsoft and Pearson to discuss foundational concepts of AI.

We'll discuss what information individuals should know about AI, including machine learning, data, algorithms, training AI models and ethics.

[I want to register](#)

Jaime Wait: Field Marketing Manager



## Announcing the NEW IT Specialist Authorized Instructor program

The IT Specialist certification program has just launched a new program specifically for educators. If you or someone you know is looking to teach IT Specialist, or learn how to approach teaching it in the classroom, this new program would be a great fit.

The IT Specialist Authorized Instructor program is designed to help teachers and trainers gain knowledge and tips on how to teach a specific IT Specialist exam in the classroom.

Those who enter the program will gain access to the Train the Trainer videos, learning products, practice products and a voucher to take the IT Specialist exam. Once an educator has completed the program, they will receive a digital badge they can share with others.

Learn more about the Authorized Instructor program for IT Specialist [here](#). If you have educators that would be interested in getting started, please reach out and speak to your Certiport Territory Manager.

Jaime Wait: Field Marketing Manager

# Join our CERTIFIED community



## Connect and innovate with your fellow educators

One of the best things about attending CERTIFIED is the opportunity to network with fellow educators. The CERTIFIED Educator Conference offers unparalleled networking opportunities, where you can connect with like-minded professionals, share ideas, and build valuable relationships.

Don't miss this chance to expand your professional network and gain knowledge from leading experts in the field. Register by April 1st, 2024 and save \$100!

[I want to save \\$100 on registration](#)

Dominique Delbar: Corporate Events Manager

**CERTIFIED**  
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EPISODE 106  
BUILDING DIGITAL EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE  
WITH CHAD MCKENZIE AND BRITTANY HOCHSTAETTER

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## On the podcast: Help students build digital emotional intelligence

Helping students succeed in the workplace is about more than just hard skills. It's about helping them understand how to be successful in a corporate environment, how to interact and communicate with others.

But how can you give students the interpersonal skills and emotional intelligence they need to succeed, particularly in today's digital workplace? Find out how on our latest episode of the CERTIFIED podcast.

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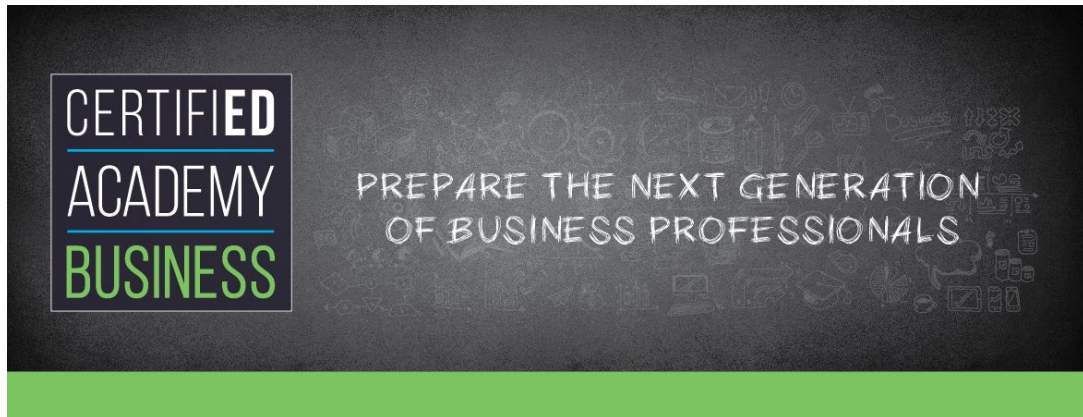
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Hannah Crepeau: Content Marketing Manager



# Join our next CERTIFIED Academy session



## Teaching entrepreneurship across career clusters

Students need to see that business, particularly entrepreneurship, is everywhere! And National Entrepreneurship Week, happening February 10-17, is the ideal time to celebrate entrepreneurs.

Join us on February 14 at 1 PM EST for our next CERTIFIED Academy: Business webinar, sponsored by the Entrepreneurship and Small Business program. We'll be discussing the importance of entrepreneurship education.

Whether your students want to open their own businesses or not, discover how entrepreneurship training will help ensure tomorrow's leaders are prepared with the tools to navigate tomorrow's competitive landscape.

[I'm ready to register for CERTIFIED Academy](#)

Hannah Crepeau: Content Marketing Manager



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# End of Service for Old Versions of Compass for Windows

All software products have a lifecycle, Certiport's Compass exam delivery technology is no exception. This message is to provide some important information about upcoming changes for Compass for Windows. This applies only to Compass for Windows and does not affect Compass for Mac.

On 14 February 2024, support will end for all versions of Compass for Windows with the last three digits of **835 or less**. For example, 19.0.2.**835**, 10.0.2.**793**, 10.0.2.**718**, etc. will no longer receive the following:

- Security updates
- Non-security hotfixes
- Free or paid assisted support options
- Exam content updates from Certiport

Computers running an earlier version of Compass will continue to work even after support ends. However, using unsupported software may increase the risk of an unfavorable exam experience. Each new release of Compass includes multiple bug fixes that prevent known issues and updating to the latest version will provide you with a more stable environment.

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All Certiport Authorized Testing Centers are encouraged to upgrade to the latest version of Compass, 19.0.2.1270. To check which version of Compass you are currently using, launch Compass, log in, and then click on “About Compass” in the left-hand menu. For more information, please review our [Compass Update Guide](#).

JB Tinker: Product Manager



# Adobe Certified Professional

## Your student could be Certiport's next Adobe Certified Professional U.S. National Champion!



Are your students ready to submit their original design project to the Spring Qualifier? While students can submit any original design project, below are some elements that can be included to improve their chances of earning an invitation. The original design projects should include:

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## Both text and graphical design

- A call-to-action (where applicable)
- Preparing the file for digital OR print distribution (where applicable)
- Original artwork
- A variety of design elements (such as shape, color, space, form, line, value, and texture)

When in doubt, a student can submit what they have! Students can submit an original design project even if it does not include all the items listed. Projects are due May 3rd, 2024. Submit a project today!

[Submit a project](#)

Dominique Delbar: Corporate Events Manager

# Resources for You

## Stay Updated on Certiport's Latest News

### New Product Information

See what exams have been recently released or are coming soon.

### Live Trainings

View the calendar for upcoming onboarding and support webinars.

### System Maintenance

Mark your calendar! See what dates are scheduled for periodic maintenance, as maintenance can affect exam delivery.

### Compass Updates

Get detailed information on upcoming changes to the Compass exam delivery software.

### Important Notices [RSS](#)

Get notifications regarding the use and support of our exam products, delivery systems, solutions, and features.

### Exam Content Updates [RSS](#)

Review planned release dates of exams undergoing maintenance.

### Support

Find answers online including FAQs, Quick Reference Guides, Technical Requirements, or the different ways to contact our Technical Support team.



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