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NEWS UPDATE

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New BrainBuffet Microsoft Office Specialist courses



We're excited to announce that BrainBuffet has released a new course series designed to help candidates build their skills in **Microsoft Office Excel, Word, and PowerPoint within the Microsoft 365 Apps**environment. Developed by experts, this curriculum features new hands-on projects, interactive worksheets, and self-grading quizzes, helping ensure learners gain practical expertise and essential skills to **boost productivity, simplify workflows, and enhance efficiency**. *It is available on the BrainBuffet and GMetrix platforms*.

I want to try the new courses

Caroline Campbell: Product Marketing Manager



Adobe educators: Take action to avoid exam disruptions

Disable Adobe Creative Cloud auto-update feature for a smooth exam experience

Each October, Adobe typically releases new versions of Adobe Creative Cloud applications. As the upcoming testing season approaches, to avoid disruption to exam delivery, we recommend you take a simple but crucial step related to these updates.

What to do next

To ensure compatibility and consistency for the existing 2024, 2023, or 2022 exams, we ask that you **disable the auto-update feature** for your Creative Cloud software. This will help prevent the applications from updating to the 2025 versions, helping ensure smooth exam delivery.

For guidance on preventing automatic updates, review the **Version Support Guide** and **Package Creation Guide** on our **Adobe Program Support page**.

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Why is this important?

Until we release the 2025 versions of Adobe Certified Professional exams next year, the 2024 exam version will remain the most recent version for this testing season. For now, make sure to maintain 2024, 2023, or 2022 versions of Adobe software in order to avoid version compatibility issues with the exams.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. If you have any questions or need assistance in disabling auto-updates or rolling back your existing software, please don't hesitate to reach out to our **support team**.

Looking ahead: Exciting changes coming in 2025!

We're thrilled to share that the 2025 Adobe Certified Professional exams will introduce a range of exciting features and improvements. Stay tuned for more information on the enhancements and how they will support your teaching and exam processes moving forward.

Emma Bury: Field Marketing Manager



The CERTIFIED latest



Have you submitted your CERTIFIED 2025 session proposal?

It's that time of year again! Preparations for the 2025 CERTIFIED Educator Conference have begun, and YOU can be a part of this exciting event. Get details on how to submit a proposal for a CERTIFIED breakout or workshop.

How do I submit a proposal?

Hannah Crepeau: Content Marketing Manager



Get advice about advocating for your CTE program

Learn how you can get students, parents, community members, and your administration excited about CTE. On the latest episode of the CERTIFIED Podcast, Jennifer Stubblefield discusses the importance of connecting with local businesses, and offers tips to secure the funding you need for your classroom.

In her trademark frank and fun way, Jennifer will help you see how amazing your program can be if you just infuse it with a little energy and effort.

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Hannah Crepeau: Content Marketing Manager



Discover how to prepare candidates for careers in cybersecurity

Mark your calendars for November 6 at 12:00 PM EST and join us to hear insights and tips from cybersecurity experts on breaking into this rapidly expanding field. Discover their professional experiences, key lessons learned, and effective strategies for educators to inspire learners to pursue these in-demand career opportunities. You'll gain valuable insight and practical advice on navigating the dynamic world of cybersecurity professionals.

Reserve my spot for the next webinar

Hannah Crepeau: Content Marketing Manager



Updated Unity objective domains

Objective domains (ODs) for the Unity Certified User: VR Developer certification have recently been modified. The overall changes are minor, with the structure and content remaining consistent, but objective 4.2 has been reworded to accurately reflect the skills validated on the exam. For more information on Unity Certified User, please visit the **program** webpage.

Show me the new ODs

Caroline Campbell: Product Marketing Manager

Exam delivery updates

Exams from Home access restrictions coming soon

COMPASS CLOUD



the solution for in-person proctoring

Exams from Home — for remote proctoring only

Certiport's Exams from Home (EFH) was created in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and the resulting need for a remote-proctoring solution. Now that the need for remote proctoring has lessened, as of October 15, 2024, we have restricted access to EFH.

All CATCs previously using EFH for in-person proctoring must migrate to Compass Cloud immediately to maintain uninterrupted service. If your CATC requires EFH due to remote-proctoring needs or if Compass Cloud is not a viable option for your testing center, you may request an exemption. We will respond within two business days.

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Compass Cloud is a great solution for in-person proctoring:

- Schedule multiple exams for a session
- Group proctoring capabilities
- Simpler and easier candidate experience
- Continual improvements and updates
- Solid and reliable platform

If you have questions, contact your Certiport Territory Manager. For more information about EFH go to **www.certiport.com/efh**. We appreciate your cooperation.

Justin Partridge: Senior Product 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.

Systems updates

Get detailed information on upcoming changes to our technology and systems.

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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