

Microsoft Certified Solutions Master: SharePoint

Master the breadth and depth of Microsoft SharePoint



SharePoint is the fastest growing server product in Microsoft history. With this success, there is an increased demand for professionals who possess a deep, technical understanding of SharePoint capabilities. The **Microsoft Certified Solutions Master (MCSM): SharePoint** credential identifies the industry's top SharePoint talent.

MCSM: SharePoint provides hands-on training with complex, large-scale, on premise, cloud, and hybrid environments. The program includes over 100 hours of instructor-led training delivered by a team of top Microsoft SharePoint product experts. It's an elite certification that validates your SharePoint knowledge and skills, and admits you to a global community of experts.

- **Diving into the core technical design of the product**—platform security, authentication and authorization, SQL performance and availability, service application internals, and more.
- **Designing advanced SharePoint solutions** across key workloads and large environments.

State-of-the-Art Labs

As an MCSM: SharePoint candidate, you'll have access to a SharePoint Online tenancy and a dedicated physical lab server hosted in a Microsoft datacenter.

Deep, exclusive content

Expert-to-expert knowledge transfer characterizes the MCSM: SharePoint curriculum. It includes lectures, facilitated design exercises, and hands-on labs performed in state-of-the-art lab environments. As an MCSM candidate, you'll gain the expertise required to deliver complex SharePoint business solutions, including:

- **Configuring multiple SharePoint Server 2013 farms** in advanced topologies, including geo-distributed environments, extranet and internet implementations, multi-tenant topologies, multi-farm environments, and hybrid SharePoint Online topologies.
- **Performing critical implementation tasks**, including capacity planning, business continuity management, performance tuning and testing, logical and physical architecture design, upgrades and migration, and team-based development.

The pinnacle of certification

In community surveys, MCSMs reported the following as key benefits of their training and certification:

- **Increased revenue** from higher billable rates for consulting services
- **Competitive differentiation** that helps them compete for and win more complex projects
- **Improved efficiencies** through access to exclusive course material and authoritative experts in the community
- **Improved effectiveness**, raising the overall skills level of their teams
- **Competitive differentiation in recruiting**, attracting skilled SharePoint professionals to their organizations

MCSM: SharePoint

A vibrant community

As an MCSM, you'll join an exclusive, global community of certified SharePoint experts—fellow MCSM graduates who leverage the collective community to deliver their SharePoint projects more efficiently and effectively.

Choose Your Training Path

The MCSM: SharePoint program offers two training formats to complement your learning style and your professional and personal commitments:

- **The Immersion format** includes three consecutive weeks of instructor-led training at Microsoft headquarters in Redmond, Washington, USA.
- **The Hybrid format** includes one week of training at Microsoft, plus ten weeks of twice weekly, four-hour remote training sessions.

Both formats provide access to state-of-the-art lab environments for the duration of the training, and both share identical prerequisites, pricing, course materials, instructors, and exams.

Prepare to become a SharePoint MCSM

The following are prerequisites for entry into the program:

1. A thorough understanding of Microsoft SharePoint Server 2013
2. A thorough understanding of ASP.NET, Windows Server, Microsoft Internet Information Services (IIS), SQL Server, and other core technologies upon which SharePoint depends
3. Hands-on experience with Microsoft SharePoint Server 2013
4. Three or more years of hands-on experience with previous versions of SharePoint
5. The following Microsoft Certifications:
 - MCSA: Windows Server 2012
 - MCSE: SharePoint*
 - MCSD: SharePoint Applications*
6. The ability to communicate in fluent English

Hiring Managers: look for MCSM

If you're a hiring manager, you can take full advantage of the features of SharePoint by hiring an MCSM to optimize your IT investment. Hiring managers who employ SharePoint MCSMs significantly increase the likelihood of a successful solution, and reduce the overall risks associated with any project. SharePoint MCSMs have proven their ability to successfully implement a variety of SharePoint solutions, including:

- **Public-facing websites** serving millions of customers
- **Enterprise intranet solutions** serving global organizations with hundreds of thousands of users
- **Collaboration platforms** hosting terabytes of content for large organizations
- **Knowledge management solutions** focused on large stores of information
- **Enterprise Search implementations** scaling to tens of millions of search items
- **SharePoint Online** and hybrid on-premise/cloud environments
- **Large, team-based, custom development environments**

➔ Learn more at www.microsoft.com/learning/en/us/certification/MCSM-sharepoint.aspx

*Although all of these certifications are required to complete the MCSM: SharePoint certification, for training rotations starting before December 31, 2013, MCSM: SharePoint will only require MCSA: Windows Server 2012 to attend the training. MCSE: SharePoint and MCSD: SharePoint Applications will be required to attend MCSM: SharePoint training for rotations starting on or after January 1, 2014. See the MCSM program website for details.