



The **IT Academy** (ITA) offers short-term, hands-on training with real workplace labs and soft skills to prepare individuals with the knowledge and certifications required for employment in Southern Virginia's growing Information Technology sector. As an authorized CompTIA Academy, ITA provides a core curriculum leading to CompTIA certifications including **A+ and Server+**.

Trainees complete the entire core curriculum in a few short months, and have the skills necessary to work as a skilled IT technician.

For individuals who have completed the core curriculum or who are already working in the IT field, the **IT Academy** has advanced level training leading to networking and cybersecurity certifications.

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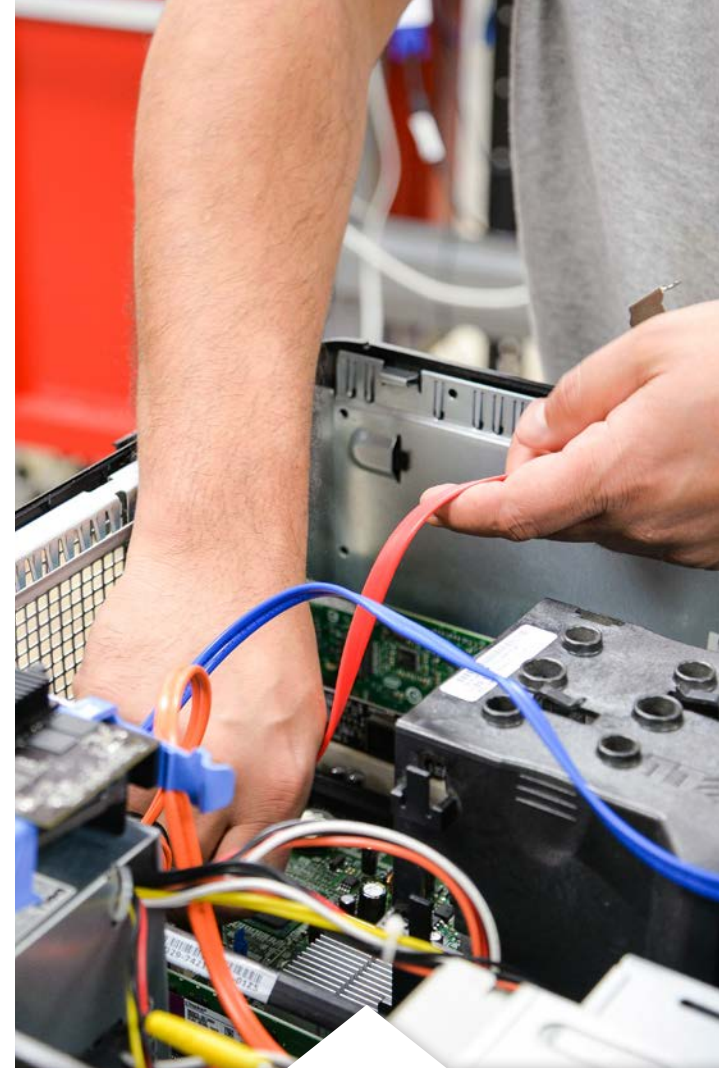
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# POWER ON YOUR CAREER

Successful program completers test for certification through CompTIA, the leading IT credentialing body.

CompTIA testing is offered on-site in the SVHEC's Assessment Center.

In-demand skills acquired include:

- Hardware Repair
- Installing & Configuring Operating Systems
- Cable Termination & Testing
- Wireless Networking
- Configuring Servers
- Managing Storage and RAID
- Security
- Virtualization

## Why Information Technology?

- Virginia is one of the top 5 states for employing IT workers.
- In Southern Virginia, the starting salary for a datacenter technician is over \$40,000 per year.
- Regional datacenters are seeking applicants with CompTIA certifications.
- CompTIA A+ credentialed professionals earn 35% more than their noncredentialed counterparts.
- 98% of HR Managers are willing to seriously consider IT credentials and qualifications in place of a bachelor's degree.
- Earning CompTIA credentials shows prospective employers you have the skills needed to work with the extensive variety of hardware and software found in most organizations.

## Why IT Academy?

- Schedule accommodates working learners
- Tuition is competitively priced and includes books, supplies & laptop computer
- Hands-on lab activities are designed to simulate the work environment
- ITA learning spaces include:
  - » **Data center lab** housing five rows with 200+ servers, routers, and switches
  - » **Hardware repair center** with a full complement of needed IT tools and equipment
  - » **Trainee classroom computer lab**

## Program Eligibility

- 18 years or older
- Attend one scheduled information session
- Some experience repairing/configuring computers is recommended but not required

"The IT Academy provided me with a stable foundation of knowledge that not only increased my IT skills but also started me on the path to success in the world of IT."

Myra Ragland  
IT Academy Cohort 1

