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Technology: Cisco

Difficulty: Beginner

Course Duration: 3 Days

Understanding Cisco SDA Fundamentals (SDAFND)



About this Course:

The Understanding Cisco SDA Fundamentals (SDAFND) v1.0 course introduces you to Cisco® Software-Defined Access and teaches you, through a combination of lectures and labs, how to implement simple, single-site fabric networks. You will learn the benefits of leveraging Software-Defined Access in the Cisco-

powered Enterprise Campus network. SDAFND will introduce the solution, its architecture and components, and guide you through labs to design and deploy simple Cisco SD-Access networks.

This course will help you:

- Deploy Cisco SD-Access networks
- Explain Cisco Software-Designed Access
- Operate, manage, and integrate Cisco DNA Center™
- Prepare for various Cisco certifications: Cisco Certified Specialist Enterprise Core (ENCOR), and Cisco Certified Specialist – Enterprise Design (ENSLD)

Course Objectives:

- Describe Cisco SD-Access architecture and its components
- · Explain Cisco DNA Center deployment models, scaling, and high availability
- Identify Cisco SD-Access fabric protocols and node roles
- Understand the Cisco SD-Access Wireless deployment models
- Automate Day 0 device onboarding with Cisco DNA Center LAN Automation and Network PnP
- Deploy simple Cisco SD-Access fabric networks
- Monitor health and performance of the network with Cisco DNA Center Assurance
- Interact with the Cisco DNA Center Platform Intent APIs

Audience:

- Field engineers
- Network engineers
- Network administrators
- System engineers

Prerequisites:

To fully benefit from this course, you should have the following knowledge and skills:

- CCNP® level core networking knowledge
- Ability to use Windows and Linux CLI tools such as ping, SSH, or running scripts

These are the recommended Cisco offerings that may help you meet these prerequisites:

- Implementing and Administering Cisco Solutions (CCNA®)
- Implementing Cisco Enterprise Network Core Technologies (ENCOR)

Course Outline:

Course outline

- Introducing Cisco SD-Access
- Introducing Cisco DNA Center
- Exploring Cisco SD-Access Solution Components
- Exploring Cisco SD-Access Wireless Architecture
- Automating Network Changes with Cisco DNA Center
- Deploying Fabric Networks with Cisco DNA Center
- Exploring Cisco DNA Center Assurance
- Exploring Cisco DNA Center Programmability

Lab outline

- Explore Cisco DNA Center User Interface
- Verify Location Identifier Separation Protocol (LISP) Operation in Cisco SD-Access
- Integrate Cisco DNA Center and Cisco Identity Services Engine (Cisco ISE)
- Provision Access Points in Cisco DNA Center
- Provision Underlay Networks with Cisco DNA Center LAN Automation
- Provision Underlay Networks with Cisco DNA Center LAN Automation (cont.)
- Deploy Cisco SD-Access Single Site Fabric
- Deploy Cisco SD-Access Single Site Fabric (cont.)
- Explore Cisco DNA Center Assurance
- Cisco DNA Assurance Issues and Guided Remediation
- Interact with Cisco DNA Center Intent APIs Using Python