

# IT Skills for Digital Business

Amid widening IT skills shortages and accelerating technology change, enterprises all over the world need better, more efficient ways to keep employees up to speed on the latest tech and tools. IDC's *IT Skills for Digital Business* service helps tech companies, training vendors, services firms, consulting companies, and global enterprises build powerful IT training and skilling offerings and initiatives. The research in this service analyzes training solutions, trends, and certifications. Via the service's annual Global IT Skills Survey, the research also tracks enterprise leaders' attitudes, plans, goals, and preferred tools for improving IT training outcomes.

## MARKETS AND SUBJECTS ANALYZED

- IT education and training
- Worldwide and U.S. certification testing and training
- Top training providers
- IT elearning
- Advanced technology training
- IT skills for cloud adoption
- Importance of digital transformation (DX) skills to IT transformation
- IT employment changes
- Delivery of IT training (e.g., instructor-led classroom and technology based)
- Corporate IT education buyers' characteristics and trends
- High-value elements of certification programs as a marketing tool
- Impact of IT training and certification on team performance
- Use of GenAI to improve skills outcomes
- Experiential learning and gamification
- Digital adoption platforms (DAPs)
- IT skills for AI adoption
- Virtual instructor-led training (VILT)
- Blended learning

## CORE RESEARCH

- IDC Global IT Skills Survey
- Worldwide and U.S. IT Education and Training Forecast
- IDC MaturityScope: Technology Skill Development
- IT Training Vendors Selection Priorities
- MarketScope: IT Training and Education Vendor Comparison
- MarketScope: Digital Adoption Platforms Vendor Comparison
- Market Analysis Perspective: IT Training and Skilling

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## KEY QUESTIONS ANSWERED

1. How is digital transformation changing IT roles and IT skills?
2. How does the looming global skills crisis impact enterprises and their business goals?
3. How is IT employment changing globally?
4. What impact does training have on organizational performance?
5. How critical is a vendor's certification program when prospects are considering purchasing new systems?
6. Do buyers prefer vendor-authorized training content, and are they willing to pay a premium for that?
7. Do IT managers prefer hiring certified employees?
8. How significant is the trend toward outsourcing IT training?
9. How do IT training preferences change based on the age and seniority of learners?
10. How can AI be used to improve IT training outcomes?

## COMPANIES ANALYZED

This service reviews the strategies, market positioning, and future direction of several providers in the IT education market, including:

2U, 360training.com, Adobe, ANCILE, Arrow Education Services, Avnet, AWS, Brainbench, CBT Nuggets, CED Solutions, CGS (Computer Generated Solutions), Cisco Networking Academy, CompTIA, CPD-ITT, Dell EMC, EduGroupe, ExecuTrain, ExitCertified, Fast Lane, Firebrand Training, Global Knowledge, GP Strategies, Hewlett Packard Enterprise, IBM, Impact IT Training, INDC, Infopro Learning, InfoSec Institute, Intense School, Learn IT,

Learning Tree International, LearnQuest, LinkedIn Learning, Microsoft, NetCom Learning, New Horizons Computer Learning Centers, NIIT, ONLC Training Centers, Oracle, Pink Elephant, Pluralsight, QA, QuickStart, Reed, ROI Training, RWD Technologies, SANS Institute, SAP, Skillsoft, Stormwind, Symantec, Tech Data Academy, TechSherpas, Training Associates, Unitek, and VMware.