



Alabama Student and Graduate Profile

In 1999, Angela Cupp was a new mother working full-time at Wal-Mart while trying to learn networking, something she had never done or heard about before. “The idea of starting something new was challenging, but my instructors at the Cisco® Networking Academy® and my family helped keep me focused and determined on earning a degree and certification in technology.” In 2000, Angela was one of only two women to complete the Networking Academy course at Gadsden State Community College in Gadsden, Alabama. Currently, Angela works full time as a manager at Deltacom, Inc. “As a manager who has gone through the Networking Academy training, I feel confident in hiring potential candidates who have gone through the program and have achieved the level of technical experience needed to be successful in today’s business industry.”

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Angela first heard about the Networking Academy through one of her relatives. Though she had virtually no technical experience when she signed up for the Cisco Certified Network Associate (CCNA®) course, she succeeded and obtained her CCNA certification. “I really felt the hands-on lab exercises, small group projects, and instructor one-on-one time led to my success with the program.”

In 2000, Angela joined Deltacom, Inc., a full-service telecommunications and technology solutions company, as a data install technician where she routinely configured Cisco routers remotely for new customers. Throughout the past seven years at Deltacom, Angela has built upon her skills learned in the Networking Academy and advanced through the company from the routing group to the maintenance group where she was recently promoted to manager.

Angela’s future plans include spending quality time with her friends and family, spreading the word about the Networking Academy, and obtaining her bachelor of science degree.



For more information on the Networking Academy at Gadsden State Community College, visit: <http://www.gadsdenstate.edu/>



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