



## CCNA Security Student Certification Exam Discount Voucher Incentive Program FAQs

- Q. What is the purpose of the Cisco CCNA® Security student certification exam discount voucher incentive program?**
- A.** The purpose of this incentive program is to:
- Encourage interest in the Cisco® CCNA Security course and CCNA Security certification.
  - Create an incentive reward for students who achieve a high standard of performance in their studies, demonstrated by a score of 75% or higher on their first completion of the CCNA Security final exam.
  - Encourage qualified students to pursue CCNA Security certification through a one-time discount opportunity for the IINS (640-553) exam.
- Q. How much of a discount does the CCNA Security certification exam voucher provide?**
- A.** Eligible students will receive a 60 to 75% discount on the IINS 640-553 examination fees. The discount rate is tied to the World Bank Country Classification level of the country in which the student resides and takes the exam. The applicable discount amount will be provided along with the voucher.
- Q. Who is qualified to receive a CCNA Security certification exam discount voucher?**
- A.** To sit for the CCNA Security exam, the student must hold a valid CCNA certification. To qualify for a voucher, a student must successfully complete the CCNA Security course with the following level of performance: achieve at least a 75% passing mark on their first attempt at the final exam, and have a P (pass) grade entered by their instructor in the course grade book.
- Q. What is the process for obtaining a CCNA Security certification exam discount voucher?**
- A.** Eligible students should see a link to request a voucher on their Academy Connection homepage. The link will remain active for one year or until the end of the voucher incentive program (July 31, 2010), whichever comes first. After a student clicks the link to request a voucher, the link will disappear and the voucher information will appear in the student's profile.
- Q. How do I register for a CCNA Security (IINS 640-553) certification exam?**
- A.** Cisco certification exams are delivered through Cisco's primary testing partner, Pearson VUE. There are three ways to register for an exam with Pearson VUE:
- To register online, please [sign in to your account](#) using your Pearson VUE username and password. If you do not have a username and password, please create a web account through the [sign-in page](#).
  - Call a Pearson VUE service center ([www.pearsonvue.com/cisco/contact](http://www.pearsonvue.com/cisco/contact))
  - Register directly with a testing center. Visit [www.pearsonvue.com/cisco](http://www.pearsonvue.com/cisco) to find a center near you.
- Q. What exam do I need to complete to obtain my CCNA Security certification?**
- A.** To obtain a CCNA Security certification you must hold a valid CCNA certificate and successfully pass the IINS (640-553) exam.
- Q. What is the duration of the incentive program?**
- A.** The incentive program begins December 18, 2009 and will continue through July 31, 2010.
- Q. What will happen at the end of the incentive program?**
- A.** Networking Academy and Learning@Cisco continually evaluate the effectiveness of certification incentive programs and reserve the right to end, extend, or modify them. We will provide timely announcements of any changes.

**Q. How long will my CCNA Security certification exam discount voucher be valid?**

**A.** The link to request your voucher will remain active until the program ends on July 31, 2010, and the voucher will expire on October 31, 2010.

**Q. If I qualify for and receive a CCNA Security discount exam voucher, and find that I cannot use it, can I give it to someone else to use?**

**A.** No. Networking Academy discount exam vouchers are intended for use only by the individual who earned the voucher. Any attempt to transfer a voucher, whether by sale or gift is a violation of Cisco policy. Cisco reserves the right to revoke any current or future Cisco certifications for individuals who engage in this type of activity. Maintaining high standards of compliance helps protect the value of Cisco certifications.

**Q. How does Cisco manage possible ethics or policy considerations raised by the provision of discount vouchers?**

**A.** Cisco is dedicated to the highest standards of legal compliance, ethical behavior, and accurate disclosure to the public. Various organizations may have gift rules that either limit or prohibit their employees from accepting anything of value or benefit above a specific dollar amount. We respectfully ask potential participants in this voucher program to first confirm that it complies with your employer's ethics guidelines and other applicable laws and regulations. Participation in this program implies that you have confirmed it is appropriate under your organization's rules to accept this voucher. Vouchers are not transferable. Qualified participants are those who meet all requisite criteria, as set forth at [Cisco Networking Academy Vouchers](#).