

## Get a backstage pass to the future.

**Computer and networking classes can help make it happen.**

You're **texting** and **tweeting**. You're uploading to YouTube or deviantART. You're downloading an MP3 or checking Facebook.

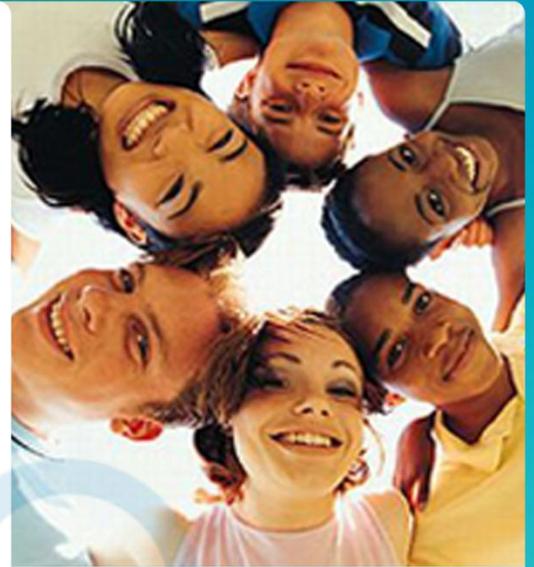
What are you really doing? You're **networking**, on digital networks.

By 2015, there will be **15 billion global network connections** — twice as many as there are people on Earth.

Since networks are a big part of your life, shouldn't you know more about them?

With the right network skills, you can go on to an exciting and well-paying career in **ICT** (Information and Communications Technology).

Your future will be running on networks. Get a VIP pass to that future by enrolling in Cisco Networking Academy classes offered at **high schools** and community colleges in your area.





## Where can networking take you?

Networking skills are in high demand. And that means lots of opportunities:

- Network-driven *smart grids* are greening the power industry. Good news for the planet.
- *Video-conferencing* systems are making business trips obsolete.
- *Specialized networks* like Pixar's renderfarm are revolutionizing video and graphics. The whole world is watching.
- *Global companies* run their businesses on networks, from designing products to manufacturing and selling them.
- *Nonprofit organizations* work to solve social problems worldwide, using networks to bring about positive change.
- Ready or not, here comes *cloud computing*. Find out what that's about.
- *Schools and universities* need networks. So do *local governments and small businesses* like cafes and stores. And every *home office* needs one too.



## You've probably never learned like this.

Cisco knows networks — we're the world's leading network technology company. We provide schools with computer and networking courses that use simulation, gaming, and hands-on practice to teach you the latest skills. Here's your chance to become a networking insider.



## What's up next?

Visit [www.cisco.com/go/netacad/usc](http://www.cisco.com/go/netacad/usc) and click on **Students**. Use the **Academy Locator** to find out if Cisco classes are offered at your high school or a nearby community college. Find Cisco Networking Academy on:



## What you can expect

- **Learn by doing.** It's faster, easier to remember, and you won't get bored.
- **Keep it real.** Classes are designed for all students, not just techies. Dive as deep as you want.
- **Join a community.** Socialize online with Cisco students in 165 countries around the world.
- **Gain confidence.** Knowledge is power. Especially useful, marketable knowledge.
- **No need for a Y chromosome.** If you're a young woman, your communication and problem-solving skills can be a real advantage.
- **Set yourself apart.** Coursework can lead to a Cisco certification — an impressive addition to your resumé and college application.

**It's your future.**