

Secondary schools

Teachers can access course material in two ways

1. By visiting the [Open Learn create](#) website

The Open University has made course material widely available on their Open Learn Create site. Students and teachers can access free course content and by creating an account you will have access to an end of course quiz and go on to achieve a digital badge

2. By registering as a Cisco Networking Academy

Additional teaching resources to support the delivery, manage classes and run quizzes are available for free to schools by registering to become a Cisco Academy.

By also registering as a Cisco Academy you will have access to a range of additional resources:

- Access to create and use the Computing for Schools Course
- Install Packet Tracer across your School's network
- Access to additional courses such as Cybersecurity, Linux, Python, C, C++ for yourself or your students
- Modify existing material and structure to suit your own delivery

Secondary schools can apply to become a Cisco Academy by completing [this form](#). The form is accessible at <https://www.netacad.com/get-started/educators>, if you scroll to the bottom of the page and select Become an Academy. See the [video here](#) (kindly recorded by Duncan Maidens from BCU) for a walk through of the process. Please don't forget to write in the notes "CAS" or "COMPUTING AT SCHOOLS", as this will help Cisco quickly identify the lead and proceed faster.

While filling in the online form, please consider that not all of the sections will be relevant. Under Academy Plans please tick

- Other instructor-led courses such as Get Connected or Internet of Everything
- Part of a core curriculum

Although generally Cisco require learners to be 13 or older to become students, the course can still be used by younger pupils by using managed email accounts. For example students can have a Gmail account managed by the school or a managed school email account. OpenLearn Create platform has

similar age requirement, but allows students to read the materials without having to create an account.

If you decide to apply to become a Cisco Academy, once you have received the welcome e-mail, you should continue by reading [this page](#). You can also download [this document](#) containing the current text and its continuation.

Note: the *Computing for Schools* programme is a Community developed course that is currently available under a pilot in the UK. If you have any questions not answered on this text, please contact netacad-teamuk@cisco.com.