

Cloud Operations on AWS

Overview

This course teaches systems operators and anyone performing systems operations functions how to manage and operate automatable and repeatable deployments of networks and systems on AWS. You will learn about systems operations functions, such as installing, configuring, automating, monitoring, securing, maintaining, and troubleshooting these services, networks, and systems. The course also covers specific AWS features, tools, and best practices related to these functions.

Course Objectives

In this course, you will learn to:

- Identify the AWS services that support the different phases of Operational Excellence, an AWS Well-Architected Framework pillar
- Manage access to AWS resources using AWS accounts and organizations and AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM)
- Maintain an inventory of in-use AWS resources by using AWS services, such as AWS Systems Manager, AWS CloudTrail, and AWS Config
- Develop a resource deployment strategy using metadata tags, Amazon Machine Images (AMIs), and AWS Control Tower to deploy and maintain an AWS Cloud environment
- Automate resource deployment by using AWS services, such as AWS CloudFormation and AWS Service Catalog
- Use AWS services to manage AWS resources through SysOps lifecycle processes, such as deployments and patches
- Configure a highly available cloud environment that uses AWS services, such as Amazon Route 53 and Elastic Load Balancing, to route traffic for optimal latency and performance
- Configure AWS Auto Scaling and Amazon EC2 Auto Scaling to scale out your cloud environment based on demand
- Use Amazon CloudWatch and associated features, such as alarms, dashboards, and widgets, to monitor your cloud environment
- Manage permissions and track activity in your cloud environment by using AWS services, such as AWS CloudTrail and AWS Config
- Deploy your resources to an Amazon Virtual Private Cloud (Amazon VPC), establish necessary connectivity to your Amazon VPC, and protect your resources from disruptions of service
- State the purpose, benefits, and appropriate use cases for mountable storage in your AWS cloud environment

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Duration

3 Days

Who Should Attend

This course is intended for:

- System administrators and operators who are operating in the AWS Cloud
- Informational technology workers who want to increase their systems operations knowledge

Prerequisites

We recommend that attendees of this course have:

- Successfully completed the AWS Technical Essentials course
- A background in software development or systems administration
- Proficiency in maintaining operating systems at the command line, such as shell scripting in Linux environments or cmd/PowerShell in Windows
- Basic knowledge of networking protocols (TCP/IP, HTTP)

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Course Topics

Module 1	Introduction to Systems Operations on AWS • Systems operations • AWS Well-Architected Framework • AWS Well-Architected Tool
Module 2	Access Management • AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) • Resources, accounts, and AWS Organizations
Module 3	System Discovery • Methods to interact with AWS services • Tools for automating resource discovery • Inventory with AWS Systems Manager and AWS Config • Hands-On Lab: Auditing AWS Resources with AWS Systems Manager and AWS Config
Module 4	Deploy and Update Resources • Systems operations in deployments • Tagging strategies • Deployment using Amazon Machine Images (AMIs) • Deployment using AWS Control Tower
Module 5	Automate Resource Deployment • Deployment using AWS CloudFormation • Deployment using AWS Service Catalog • Hands-On Lab: Infrastructure as Code
Module 6	Manage Resources • AWS Systems Manager • Hands-On Lab: Operations as Code
Module 7	Configure Highly Available Systems • Distributing traffic with Elastic Load Balancing • Amazon Route 53

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Module 8	Automate Scaling - Scaling with AWS Auto Scaling - Scaling with Spot Instances - Managing licenses with AWS License Manager
Module 9	Monitor and Maintain System Health - Monitoring and maintaining healthy workloads - Monitoring AWS infrastructure - Monitoring applications - Hands-On Lab: Monitor Applications and Infrastructure
Module 10	Data Security and System Auditing - Maintaining a strong identity and access foundation - Implementing detection mechanisms - Automating incident remediation
Module 11	Operate Secure and Resilient Networks - Building a secure Amazon Virtual Private Cloud (Amazon VPC) - Networking beyond the VPC
Module 12	Mountable Storage - Configuring Amazon Elastic Block Store (Amazon EBS) - Sizing Amazon EBS volumes for performance - Using Amazon EBS snapshots - Using Amazon Data Lifecycle Manager to manage your AWS resources - Creating backup and data recovery plans - Configuring shared file system storage - Hands-On Lab: Automating with AWS Backup for Archiving and Recovery

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Module 13	Object Storage • Deploying Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) • Managing storage lifecycles on Amazon S3
Module 14	Cost Reporting, Alerts, and Optimization • Gaining AWS cost awareness • Using control mechanisms for cost management • Optimizing your AWS spend and usage • Hands-On Lab: Capstone lab for SysOps