

## Let Cisco Technology Courses Help Reduce Recidivism

Delivering Computer and Career Skills for Success in a Technology-Driven Job Market

The Cisco Networking Academy program leverages Cisco's expertise in IT and networking to develop courses for delivery at education and training institutions in over 170 countries. Courses are licensed free to nonprofit organizations.

Cisco courses are currently offered at prisons, correctional facilities, rehab centers, halfway houses, juvenile halls, and at-risk youth programs. These organizations want to improve success for their participants, many of whom are eager to obtain the skills needed to help themselves, their families and communities.

"There is a growing consensus that the more educated offenders are, the less likely it is they'll return to the correctional system. A recent report by Rand Corp found that inmates who participate in education programs have a 43% lower chance of recidivating than those who do not. Their odds of finding a job after release are 13% higher (<u>Prison education tech takes off | The Network</u>).

Cisco and nearby community colleges or other teaching organizations would like to work with correctional facilities of all kinds to bring basic technology courses to your leaners, to show them how they can make a living in ICT roles in almost any industry. In today's world, nearly every organization relies on the internet for success. Individuals taking our courses will also learn and practice communication skills, teamwork, problem solving, and other career skills employers look for.

## Global Case Studies

- BRAZIL Federal Institute of Pernambuco, Caruaru: <u>Bringing Technology and Opportunity to Youth in Prison</u>
- ECUADOR Ministerio de Justicia: <u>Peronas Privadas de Libertad Replicarán conocimientos</u> tecnológicos en CRS Cotopaxi (Spanish)
- ITALY Seconda Casa di Reclusione di Milano: <u>Preparing Inmates to Succeed in a Technology-</u> Driven Job Market
- NIGERIA Orgun State, Borstal Detention Center: Remand Centers Work to Rehabilitate Prisoners
  Between the Ages 16 and 23

- **UNITED KINGDOM:** England, Her Majesty's Prison Service: Prison ICT Academies (PICTAs) Expand Across the Country
- **USA** Colorado: Women's Prison Leverages Pilot Training Program to Earn Grants for Expansion (with VIDEO)
- USA Massachusetts: Second Chance Grant Builds Prison Training Program
- **USA** Minnesota State Correctional Facility, Stillwater: <u>Courses at Workforce Development</u> <u>Centers to Expand to Prisons</u>
- **USA** New Jersey: Community Center (non-government) Partners with Prisons and Halfway Houses to Deliver Training

## **More Information**

Learn how Cisco Networking Academy's flexible learning program can support your training goals:

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