

Do you want to increase your chance to get a job in the IBM Sofia Cisco TAC?

At the IBM Sofia Cisco Technical Assistance Center (TAC), our vision is to change the way people work, live, play and learn. If you want to work with leading technology and have the desire to succeed in a collaborative, fast-paced global environment then the Cisco Incubator Program is a great way to begin your career.

We have designed our Incubator Program to raise your employability and to better prepare you to enter the job market and the IT industry. As a student in the Incubator Program, you will receive Advanced Technology virtual workshops, delivered by our top Cisco TAC engineers, and complementary provided training materials. It is a great opportunity for you to evaluate and qualify your skills and job readiness in a professional assessment process.



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IBM / Cisco Networking Incubator Program

Apply at: <https://ibm.co/3eTTefp>

What is the IBM / Cisco Networking Incubator Program?

IBM and Cisco sponsors the Incubator Program as a way to help prepare graduating students for a career in Network Technology. The students selected to participate will receive advanced education related to Cisco Network Technology and profession skills development. Upon completion of the program the students will be better prepared, and more competitive, to begin a career as a Cisco Technical Assistance Center (TAC) engineer with IBM, or other Cisco Network Technology positions with IBM or other Sofia employers.

How do I get considered for a position in the Incubator Program?

Students meeting the application criteria must apply for a position in the program. IBM and Cisco will then invite the most qualified applicants to fill **Initial Assessment Test**. This initial test will be held on **19th October 2022** to ensure the selected students have the appropriate skills to successfully participate in the program.

If I am selected for the program, what should I expect?

Students selected for the program will attend 7 online training sessions held every Tuesday at 18:00. Attendance in all sessions is required. During these 3-hour evening sessions we will take you through an exciting journey, combining cutting-edge technology topics and soft skills coaching. The program includes:

- Rigorous technical training from Cisco TAC engineers
- Hand-on experience with Cisco devices
- Ongoing assessments and personalized feedback
- Preparation for industry recognized certifications
- Pathways to higher education and career opportunity
- TAC Incubator Program Certificate of Completion

What subjects will be covered during the training?

The training will include the 7 technical lectures related to the networking world and 1 professional development session. All that to help students prepare for a career in today's IT Networking industry. The 2022 program will include:

- 19.10. – **Initial Assessment**
- 26.10. – Technical Session 1
- 27.10. – **Soft Skills Session 1**
- 02.11. – Technical Session 2
- 09.11. – Technical Session 3
- 16.11. – Technical Session 4
- 23.11. – Technical Session 5
- 24.11. – **Soft Skills Session 2**
- 30.11. – Technical Session 6
- 06.12. – Technical Session 7
- 13.12. – **Final Assessment**
- 16.12. – **Graduation**

What are the application Criteria?

- Fluency in English - both written and spoken;
- CCNA certification in progress / interest in obtaining Cisco certificate;
- Basic understanding of networking fundamentals;
- Excellent Communication skills;

Applications will be accepted until 14th October 2022.

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Selected candidates will be contacted individually and invited to the online Initial Assessment Test after that.

Additional questions can be emailed to:
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