

TRACK CHANGES

Big Data

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LEGEND

- * Renamed MPP track skill
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Microsoft Professional Program

TRACK STOP	SKILL	COURSE
1	Get Started with Big Data	Introduction to Big Data
2a	Analyzing and Visualize Data	Analyzing and Visualizing Data with Power BI
2b		Analyzing and Visualizing Data with Excel
3	Work with NoSQL Data	Introduction to NoSQL Data Solutions
4	Query Relational Data	Querying Relational Data with Transact-SQL
5	* Create a Data Warehouse	Delivering a Data Warehouse in the Cloud
6a	Process Big Data at Rest	Processing Big Data with Azure Data Lake Analytics
6b		* Processing Big Data with Azure HDInsight
7a	Process Big Data in Motion	Processing Real-Time Data Streams in Azure
7b		* Processing Real-Time Data with Azure HDInsight
8	* Orchestrate Big Data Solutions	* Orchestrating Big Data with Azure Data Factory
9a	Build Big Data Analysis Solutions	Developing Big Data Solutions with Azure Machine Learning Studio
9b		Analyzing Big Data with Microsoft R Server
9c		Implementing Predictive Analytics with Spark in Azure HDInsight
10	Final Project	Microsoft Professional Capstone: Big Data



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FAQ

- **Q:** Why are the Microsoft Professional Program tracks changing?
- **A:** Tracks are routinely evaluated for industry relevance. In some cases, we may replace a course, add new courses and skills, or simply rename an existing option.
- **Q:** Do changes affect tracks completed before July?
- **A:** No. If you completed a full track before July 1, updates won't affect you. You can still take new courses, but it's not required to keep your track certificate.
- **Q:** Do I get credit for courses that are no longer part of my track?
- A: If you completed a previous requirement before July, you still get credit. If you didn't successfully complete before July, you need to follow the new track requirements.
- **Q:** What if my track is still in progress?
- **A:** If you have yet to complete a skill, refer to the new requirements. If a course is currently on edX, you can take it now. Credit will appear on your dashboard once changes take effect July 1.