



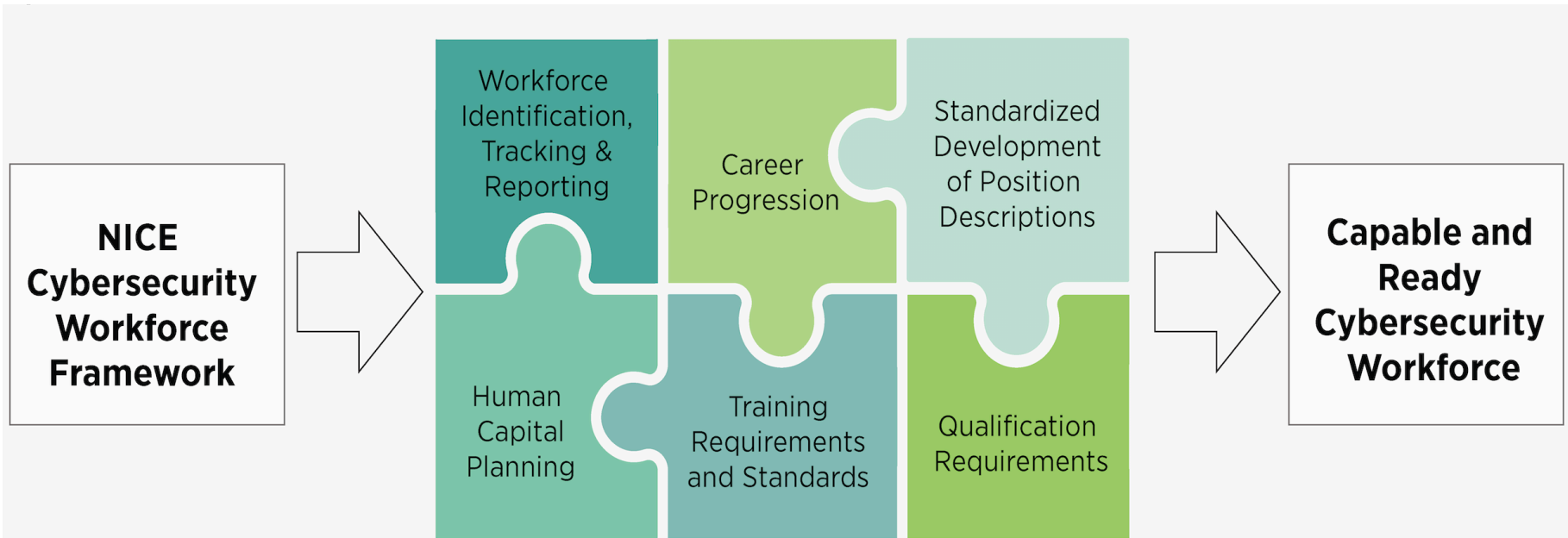
DEEPER KNOWLEDGE.  
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# **SANS and GIAC Certifications**

in alignment with the  
NICE Cyber Security  
Workforce Framework  
NIST Special Publication 800-181

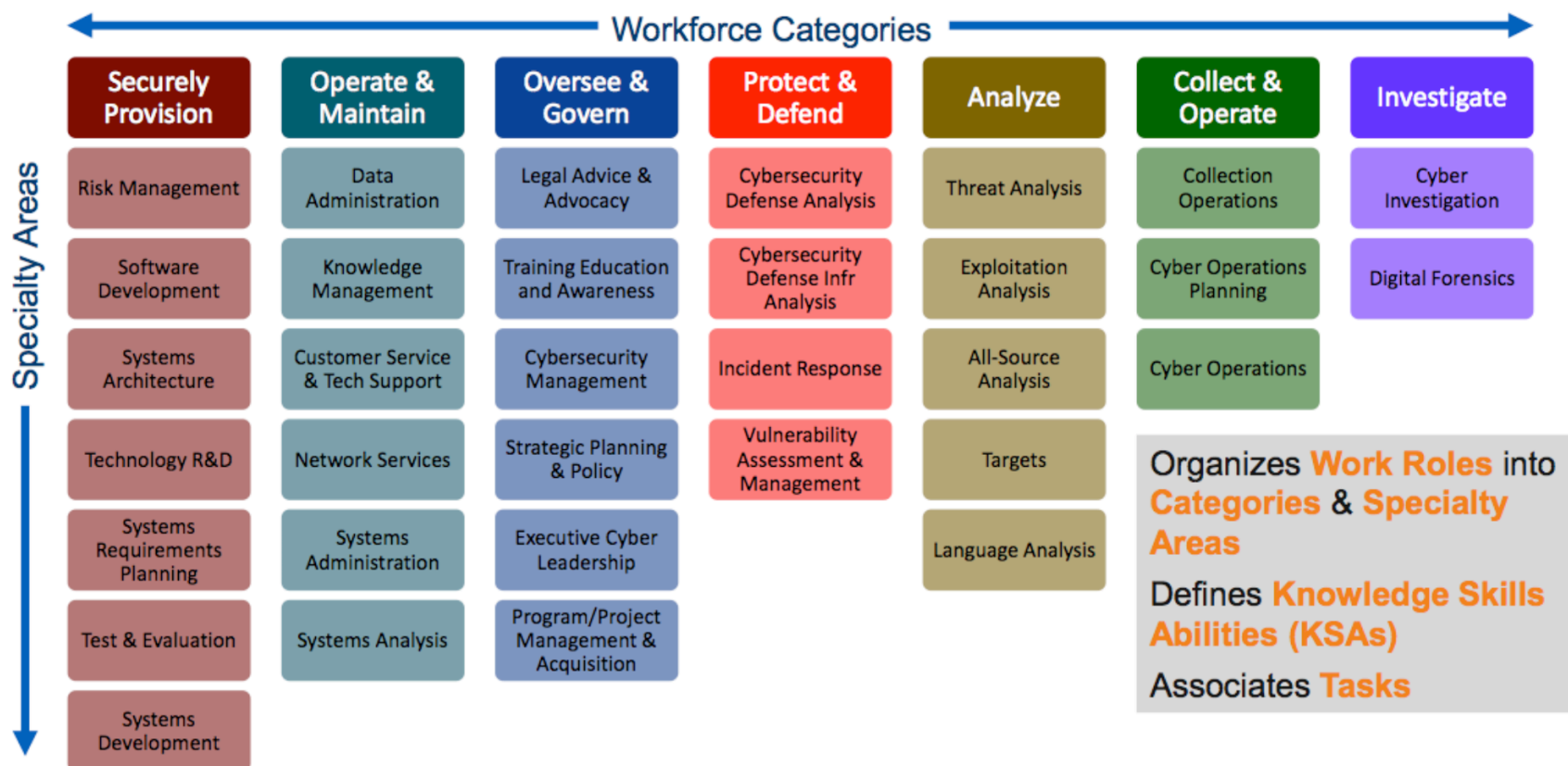
Ensuring a trained and certified cyber security workforce

# Using the NICE Framework



# Broad Organization of the NICE Framework

## National Initiative for Cybersecurity Education (NICE)



<https://www.nist.gov/itl/applied-cybersecurity/nice/resources/nice-cybersecurity-workforce-framework>

## WHAT IS THE CYBERSECURITY WORKFORCE?

A workforce with work roles that have an impact on an organization's ability to protect its data, systems, and operations.

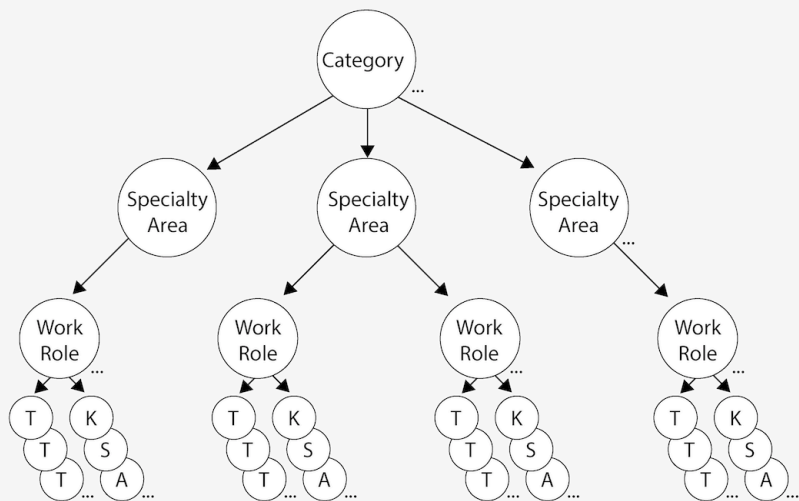
**CATEGORIES:** A high-level grouping of common cybersecurity functions

**SPECIALTY AREAS:** Represent an area of concentrated work, or function, within cybersecurity and related work

**WORK ROLES:** The most detailed groupings of cybersecurity and related work, which include a list of attributes required to perform that role in the form of a list of knowledge, skills, and abilities (KSAs) and a list of tasks performed in that role

**TASKS:** Specific work activities that could be assigned to an individual working in one of the NICE Framework's Work Roles

**KSAs:** Attributes required to perform Tasks, generally demonstrated through relevant experience or performance-based education and training



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## **NICE Category: Highest Level Grouping**

**Specialty Area:** Distinct areas of cyber security work

**Work Role:** Grouping level that maps to specific KSAs (Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities) and tasks within a specific job role. Dependent on size and type of organization, these work roles may go by different names.

<b>SANS Training Course</b>	<b>GIAC Certification</b>	<b>Work Role Proficiency</b>
Recommended SANS Course	Associated Recommended GIAC Certification	Level of Proficiency 1, 2, 3, 4
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**Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:**

These courses and certifications map to the Specialty Area and Work Role but are not the top recommended courses and certifications.

## Specialty Area: Risk Management (RSK)

Oversees, evaluates, and supports the documentation, validation, assessment, and authorization processes necessary to assure that existing and new information technology (IT) systems meet the organization's cybersecurity and risk requirements. Ensures appropriate treatment of risk, compliance, and assurance from internal and external perspectives.

## Work Role: Authorizing Official/Designating Representative (SP-RSK-001)

Senior official or executive with the authority to formally assume responsibility for operating an information system at an acceptable level of risk to organizational operations (including mission, functions, image, or reputation), organizational assets, individuals, other organizations, and the Nation (CNSSI 4009).

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
SEC301: Introduction to Cyber Security	GISF: GIAC Information Security Fundamentals	2: Intermediate
MGT414: SANS Training Program for CISSP® Certification	GISP: GIAC Information Security Professional	2: Intermediate
MGT512: SANS Security Leadership Essentials For Managers	GSLC: GIAC Security Leadership Certification	3: Advanced

## Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:

SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style / GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials

## Specialty Area: Risk Management (RSK)

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## Work Role: Security Control Assessor (SP-RSK-002)

Conducts independent comprehensive assessments of the management, operational, and technical security controls and control enhancements employed within or inherited by an information technology (IT) system to determine the overall effectiveness of the controls (as defined in NIST SP 800-37).

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style	GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials	2: Intermediate
SEC566: Implementing and Auditing the Critical Security Controls - In-Depth	GCCC: GIAC Critical Controls Certification	2: Intermediate
AUD507: Auditing & Monitoring Networks, Perimeters & Systems	GSNA: GIAC Systems and Network Auditor	3: Advanced

## Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:

SEC504: Hacker Tools, Techniques, Exploits, and Incident Handling / GCIH: GIAC Certified Incident Handler

SEC560: Network Penetration Testing and Ethical Hacking / GPEN: GIAC Certified Penetration Tester

### Specialty Area: Software Development (DEV)

Develops and writes/codes new (or modifies existing) computer applications, software, or specialized utility programs following software assurance best practices.

### Work Role: Secure Software Developer (SP-DEV-001)

Develops, creates, maintains, and writes/codes new (or modifies existing) computer applications, software, or specialized utility programs.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
DEV522: Defending Web Applications Security Essentials	GWEB: GIAC Certified Web Application Defender	3: Advanced
SEC540: Secure DevOps and Cloud Application Security	N/A	3: Advanced

### Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:

DEV541: Secure Coding in Java/JEE: Developing Defensible Applications

DEV544: Secure Coding in .NET: Developing Defensible Applications

DEV534: Secure DevOps: A Practical Introduction



## Specialty Area: Software Development (DEV)

Develops and writes/codes new (or modifies existing) computer applications, software, or specialized utility programs following software assurance best practices.

## Work Role: Secure Software Assessor (SP-DEV-002)

Analyzes the security of new or existing computer applications, software, or specialized utility programs and provides actionable results.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
DEV522: Defending Web Applications Security Essentials	GWEB: GIAC Certified Web Application Defender	3: Advanced
SEC542: Web App Penetration Testing and Ethical Hacking	GWAPT: GIAC Web Application Penetration Tester	3: Advanced
SEC642: Advanced Web App Penetration Testing, Ethical Hacking, and Exploitation Techniques	N/A	4: Expert

## Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:

DEV541: Secure Coding in Java/JEE: Developing Defensible Applications

DEV544: Secure Coding in .NET: Developing Defensible Applications

## Specialty Area: Systems Architecture (ARC)

Develops system concepts and works on the capabilities phases of the systems development life cycle; translates technology and environmental conditions (e.g., law and regulation) into system and security designs and processes.

## Work Role: Enterprise Architect (SP-ARC-001)

Develops and maintains business, systems, and information processes to support enterprise mission needs; develops information technology (IT) rules and requirements that describe baseline and target architectures.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
SEC530: Defensible Security Architecture and Engineering	GDSA: GIAC Defensible Security Architecture	3: Advanced
SEC540: Secure DevOps and Cloud Application Security	N/A	3: Advanced
SEC545: Cloud Security Architecture and Operations	N/A	3: Advanced

## Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:

SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style / GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials

DEV534: Secure DevOps: A Practical Introduction

### Specialty Area: Systems Architecture (ARC)

Develops system concepts and works on the capabilities phases of the systems development life cycle; translates technology and environmental conditions (e.g., law and regulation) into system and security designs and processes.

### Work Role: Security Architect (SP-ARC-002)

Ensures that the stakeholder security requirements necessary to protect the organization's mission and business processes are adequately addressed in all aspects of enterprise architecture including reference models, segment and solution architectures, and the resulting systems supporting those missions and business processes.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
SEC511: Continuous Monitoring and Security Operations	GMON: GIAC Continuous Monitoring Certification	3: Advanced
SEC530: Defensible Security Architecture and Engineering	GDSA: GIAC Defensible Security Architecture	3: Advanced

### Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:

SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style / GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials

SEC501: Advanced Security Essentials - Enterprise Defender/ GCED: GIAC Certified Enterprise Defender

SEC555: SIEM with Tactical Analytics / GCDA: GIAC Certified Detection Analyst

## Specialty Area: Technology R&D (TRD)

Conducts technology assessment and integration processes; provides and supports a prototype capability and/or evaluates its utility.

## Work Role: Research & Development Specialist (SP-TRD-001)

Conducts software and systems engineering and software systems research to develop new capabilities, ensuring cybersecurity is fully integrated. Conducts comprehensive technology research to evaluate potential vulnerabilities in cyberspace systems.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
SEC540: Secure DevOps and Cloud Application Security	N/A	3: Advanced
DEV522: Defending Web Applications Security Essentials	GWEB: GIAC Certified Web Application Defender	3: Advanced

### Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:

SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style / GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials  
SEC573: Automating Information Security with Python / GPYC: GIAC Python Coder  
DEV534: Secure DevOps: A Practical Introduction  
SEC545: Cloud Security Architecture and Operations

### Specialty Area: Systems Requirements Planning (SRP)

Consults with customers to gather and evaluate functional requirements and translates these requirements into technical solutions. Provides guidance to customers about applicability of information systems to meet business needs.

### Work Role: Systems Requirements Planner (SP-SRP-001)

Consults with customers to evaluate functional requirements and translate functional requirements into technical solutions.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
MGT525: IT Project Management, Effective Communication, and PMP® Exam Prep	GCPM: GIAC Certified Project Manager	2: Intermediate

### Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:

SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style / GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials

MGT414: SANS Training Program for CISSP® Certification / GISP: GIAC Information Security Professional

MGT512: SANS Security Leadership Essentials For Managers / GSLC: GIAC Security Leadership Certification

## Specialty Area: Test and Evaluation (TST)

Develops and conducts tests of systems to evaluate compliance with specifications and requirements by applying principles and methods for cost-effective planning, evaluating, verifying, and validating of technical, functional, and performance characteristics (including interoperability) of systems or elements of systems incorporating IT.

## Work Role: System Testing and Evaluation Specialist (SP-TST-001)

Plans, prepares, and executes tests of systems to evaluate results against specifications and requirements as well as analyze/report test results.

### SANS Training Course

### GIAC Certification

### Work Role Proficiency

SEC401:  
Security Essentials Bootcamp Style

GSEC:  
GIAC Security Essentials

2: Intermediate

SEC573:  
Automating Information Security  
with Python

GPYC:  
GIAC Python Coder

3: Advanced

## Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:

SEC301: Introduction to Cyber Security / GISF: GIAC Information Security Fundamentals

MGT414: SANS Training Program for CISSP® Certification / GISP: GIAC Information Security Professional

## Specialty Area: Systems Development (SYS)

Works on the development phases of the systems development life cycle.

## Work Role: Information Systems Security Developer (SP-SYS-001)

Designs, develops, tests, and evaluates information system security throughout the systems development life cycle.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
DEV522: Defending Web Applications Security Essentials	GWEB: GIAC Certified Web Application Defender	3: Advanced
SEC542: Web App Penetration Testing and Ethical Hacking	GWAPT: GIAC Web Application Penetration Tester	3: Advanced
SEC540: Secure DevOps and Cloud Application Security	N/A	3: Advanced

### Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:

DEV541: Secure Coding in Java/JEE: Developing Defensible Applications

DEV544: Secure Coding in .NET: Developing Defensible Applications

DEV534: Secure DevOps: A Practical Introduction

SEC642: Advanced Web App Penetration Testing, Ethical Hacking, and Exploitation Techniques

## Specialty Area: Systems Development (SYS)

Works on the development phases of the systems development life cycle.

## Work Role: Systems Developer (SP-SYS-002)

Designs, develops, tests, and evaluates information systems throughout the systems development life cycle.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
DEV522: Defending Web Applications Security Essentials	GWEB: GIAC Certified Web Application Defender	3: Advanced
SEC540: Secure DevOps and Cloud Application Security	N/A	3: Advanced

### Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:

SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style / GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials

DEV541: Secure Coding in Java/JEE: Developing Defensible Applications

DEV544: Secure Coding in .NET: Developing Defensible Applications

DEV534: Secure DevOps: A Practical Introduction



## Specialty Area: Data Administration (DTA)

Develops and administers databases and/or data management systems that allow for the storage, query, protection, and utilization of data.

## Work Role: Database Administrator (OM-DTA-001)

Administers databases and/or data management systems that allow for the secure storage, query, protection, and utilization of data.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style	GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials	2: Intermediate
DEV522: Defending Web Applications Security Essentials	GWEB: GIAC Certified Web Application Defender	3: Advanced

**Specialty Area: Data Administration (DTA)**

Develops and administers databases and/or data management systems that allow for the storage, query, protection, and utilization of data.

**Work Role: Data Analyst (OM-DTA-002)**

Administers databases and/or data management systems that allow for the secure storage, query, protection, and utilization of data.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style	GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials	2: Intermediate
DEV522: Defending Web Applications Security Essentials	GWEB: GIAC Certified Web Application Defender	3: Advanced

## **Specialty Area: Knowledge Management (KMG)**

Manages and administers processes and tools that enable the organization to identify, document, and access intellectual capital and information content.

## **Work Role: Knowledge Manager (OM-KMG-001)**

Responsible for the management and administration of processes and tools that enable the organization to identify, document, and access intellectual capital and information content.

<b>SANS Training Course</b>	<b>GIAC Certification</b>	<b>Work Role Proficiency</b>
SEC301: Introduction to Cyber Security	GISF: GIAC Information Security Fundamentals	2: Intermediate

### **Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:**

SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style / GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials  
MGT414: SANS Training Program for CISSP® Certification / GISP: GIAC Information Security Professional

## **Specialty Area: Customer Service and Technical Support (STS)**

Addresses problems; installs, configures, troubleshoots, and provides maintenance and training in response to customer requirements or inquiries (e.g., tiered-level customer support). Typically provides initial incident information to the Incident Response (IR) Specialty.

## **Work Role: Technical Support Specialist (OM-STS-001)**

Provides technical support to customers who need assistance utilizing client-level hardware and software in accordance with established or approved organizational process components (i.e., Master Incident Management Plan, when applicable).

<b>SANS Training Course</b>	<b>GIAC Certification</b>	<b>Work Role Proficiency</b>
SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style	GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials	2: Intermediate
SEC505: Securing Windows and PowerShell Automation	GCWN: GIAC Certified Windows Security Administrator	3: Advanced
SEC506: Securing Linux/Unix	GCUX: GIAC Certified UNIX Security Administrator	3: Advanced

## **Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:**

SEC301: Introduction to Cyber Security / GISF: GIAC Information Security Fundamentals

# Operate and Maintain (OM)

## Specialty Area: Network Services (NET)

Installs, configures, tests, operates, maintains, and manages networks and their firewalls, including hardware (e.g., hubs, bridges, switches, multiplexers, routers, cables, proxy servers, and protective distributor systems) and software that permit the sharing and transmission of all spectrum transmissions of information to support the security of information and information systems.

## Work Role: Network Operations Specialist (OM-NET-001)

Plans, implements, and operates network services/systems, to include hardware and virtual environments.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style	GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials	2: Intermediate
SEC501: Advanced Security Essentials - Enterprise Defender	GCED: GIAC Certified Enterprise Defender	3: Advanced
SEC555: SIEM with Tactical Analytics	GCDA: GIAC Certified Detection Analyst	4: Expert

### Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:

SEC301: Introduction to Cyber Security / GISF: GIAC Information Security Fundamentals  
ICS410: ICS/SCADA Security Essentials / GICSP: Global Industrial Cyber Security Professional  
SEC511: Continuous Monitoring and Security Operations / GMON: GIAC Continuous Monitoring Certification  
SEC546: IPv6 Essentials

## Specialty Area: Systems Administration (ADM)

Installs, configures, troubleshoots, and maintains server configurations (hardware and software) to ensure their confidentiality, integrity, and availability. Manages accounts, firewalls, and patches. Responsible for access control, passwords, and account creation and administration.

## Work Role: System Administrator (OM-ADM-001)

Responsible for setting up and maintaining a system or specific components of a system (e.g. for example, installing, configuring, and updating hardware and software; establishing and managing user accounts; overseeing or conducting backup and recovery tasks; implementing operational and technical security controls; and adhering to organizational security policies and procedures).

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style	GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials	2: Intermediate
SEC505: Securing Windows and PowerShell Automation	GCWN: GIAC Certified Windows Security Administrator	3: Advanced
SEC506: Securing Linux/Unix	GCUX: GIAC Certified UNIX Security Administrator	3: Advanced

## Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:

SEC501: Advanced Security Essentials - Enterprise Defender / GCED: GIAC Certified Enterprise Defender

## Specialty Area: Systems Analysis (ANA)

Studies an organization's current computer systems and procedures, and designs information systems solutions to help the organization operate more securely, efficiently, and effectively. Brings business and information technology (IT) together by understanding the needs and limitations of both.

## Work Role: Systems Security Analyst (OM-ANA-001)

Responsible for the analysis and development of the integration, testing, operations, and maintenance of systems security.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
SEC501: Advanced Security Essentials - Enterprise Defender	GCED: GIAC Certified Enterprise Defender	3: Advanced
AUD507: Auditing & Monitoring Networks, Perimeters & Systems	GSNA: GIAC Systems and Network Auditor	3: Advanced

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SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style / GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials  
ICS410: ICS/SCADA Security Essentials / GICSP: Global Industrial Cyber Security Professional  
SEC511: Continuous Monitoring and Security Operations /  
GMON: GIAC Continuous Monitoring Certification  
SEC545: Cloud Security Architecture and Operations  
SEC555: SIEM with Tactical Analytics / GCDA: GIAC Certified Detection Analyst

## **Specialty Area: Legal Advice and Advocacy (LGA)**

Provides legally sound advice and recommendations to leadership and staff on a variety of relevant topics within the pertinent subject domain. Advocates legal and policy changes, and makes a case on behalf of client via a wide range of written and oral work products, including legal briefs and proceedings.

## **Work Role: Cyber Legal Advisor (OV-LGA-001)**

Provides legal advice and recommendations on relevant topics related to cyber law.

<b>SANS Training Course</b>	<b>GIAC Certification</b>	<b>Work Role Proficiency</b>
LEG523: Law of Data Security and Investigations	GLEG: GIAC Law of Data Security & Investigations	3: Advanced

### **Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:**

SEC301: Introduction to Cyber Security / GISF: GIAC Information Security Fundamentals  
MGT414: SANS Training Program for CISSP® Certification / GISP: GIAC Information Security Professional



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Installs, configures, troubleshoots, and maintains server configurations (hardware and software) to ensure their confidentiality, integrity, and availability. Manages accounts, firewalls, and patches. Responsible for access control, passwords, and account creation and administration.

## Work Role: Privacy Officer/Privacy Compliance Manager (OV-LGA-002)

Develops and oversees privacy compliance program and privacy program staff, supporting privacy compliance, governance/policy, and incident response needs of privacy and security executives and their teams.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
SEC301: Introduction to Cyber Security	GISF: GIAC Information Security Fundamentals	2: Intermediate
MGT414: SANS Training Program for CISSP® Certification	GISP: GIAC Information Security Professional	2: Intermediate
MGT512: SANS Security Leadership Essentials For Managers	GSLC: GIAC Security Leadership Certification	3: Advanced

## Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:

ICS456: Essentials for NERC Critical Infrastructure Protection / GCIP: GIAC Critical Infrastructure Protection

## Specialty Area: Training, Education, and Awareness (TEA)

Conducts training of personnel within pertinent subject domain. Develops, plans, coordinates, delivers and/or evaluates training courses, methods, and techniques as appropriate.

## Work Role: Cyber Instructional Curriculum Developer (OV-TEA-001)

Develops, plans, coordinates, and evaluates cyber training/education courses, methods, and techniques based on instructional needs.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style	GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials	2: Intermediate
MGT433: Securing The Human: How to Build, Maintain, and Measure a Mature Awareness Program	N/A	3: Advanced

## Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:

SEC301: Introduction to Cyber Security / GISF: GIAC Information Security Fundamentals

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Conducts training of personnel within pertinent subject domain. Develops, plans, coordinates, delivers and/or evaluates training courses, methods, and techniques as appropriate.

## Work Role: Cyber Instructor (OV-TEA-002)

Develops and conducts training or education of personnel within cyber domain.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style	GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials	2: Intermediate
SEC501: Advanced Security Essentials - Enterprise Defender	GCED: GIAC Certified Enterprise Defender	3: Advanced

### Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:

SEC301: Introduction to Cyber Security / GISF: GIAC Information Security Fundamentals  
MGT433: Securing The Human: How to Build, Maintain and Measure a Mature Awareness Program

## **Specialty Area: Cybersecurity Management (MGT)**

Oversees the cybersecurity program of an information system or network, including managing information security implications within the organization, specific program, or other area of responsibility, to include strategic, personnel, infrastructure, requirements, policy enforcement, emergency planning, security awareness, and other resources.

## **Work Role: Information Systems Security Manager (OV-MGT-001)**

Responsible for the cybersecurity of a program, organization, system, or enclave.

### **SANS Training Course**

### **GIAC Certification**

### **Work Role Proficiency**

MGT512: SANS Security Leadership  
Essentials For Managers

GSLC: GIAC Security Leadership  
Certification

3: Advanced

## **Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:**

SEC301: Introduction to Cyber Security / GISF: GIAC Information Security Fundamentals

SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style / GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials

MGT414: SANS Training Program for CISSP® Certification / GISP: GIAC Information Security Professional

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Oversees the cybersecurity program of an information system or network, including managing information security implications within the organization, specific program, or other area of responsibility, to include strategic, personnel, infrastructure, requirements, policy enforcement, emergency planning, security awareness, and other resources.

## Work Role: Communications Security (COMSEC) Manager (OV-MGT-002)

Individual who manages the Communications Security (COMSEC) resources of an organization (CNSSI 4009) or key custodian for a Crypto Key Management System (CKMS).

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
SEC301: Introduction to Cyber Security	GISF: GIAC Information Security Fundamentals	2: Intermediate
MGT414: SANS Training Program for CISSP® Certification	GISP: GIAC Information Security Professional	2: Intermediate
MGT512: SANS Security Leadership Essentials For Managers	GSLC: GIAC Security Leadership Certification	3: Advanced

## Specialty Area: Strategic Planning and Policy (SPP)

Develops policies and plans and/or advocates for changes in policy that support organizational cyberspace initiatives or required changes/enhancements.

## Work Role: Cyber Workforce Developer and Manager (OV-SPP-001)

Develops cyberspace workforce plans, strategies, and guidance to support cyberspace workforce manpower, personnel, training and education requirements and to address changes to cyberspace policy, doctrine, materiel, force structure, and education and training requirements.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
MGT512: SANS Security Leadership Essentials For Managers	GSLC: GIAC Security Leadership Certification	3: Advanced
MGT514: Security Strategic Planning, Policy, and Leadership	GSTRT: GIAC Strategic Planning, Policy, and Leadership	3: Advanced

## Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:

SEC301: Introduction to Cyber Security / GISF: GIAC Information Security Fundamentals

MGT414: SANS Training Program for CISSP® Certification / GISP: GIAC Information Security Professional

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## Work Role: Cyber Policy and Strategy Planner (OV-SPP-002)

Develops cyberspace workforce plans, strategies, and guidance to support cyberspace workforce manpower, personnel, training and education requirements and to address changes to cyberspace policy, doctrine, materiel, force structure, and education and training requirements.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
MGT512: SANS Security Leadership Essentials For Managers	GSLC: GIAC Security Leadership Certification	3: Advanced
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## Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:

SEC301: Introduction to Cyber Security / GISF: GIAC Information Security Fundamentals  
MGT414: SANS Training Program for CISSP® Certification / GISP: GIAC Information Security Professional

### **Specialty Area: Executive Cyber Leadership (EXL)**

Supervises, manages, and/or leads work and workers performing cyber and cyber-related and/or cyber operations work.

### **Work Role: Executive Cyber Leadership (OV-EXL-001)**

Executes decision-making authorities and establishes vision and direction for an organization's cyber and cyber-related resources and/or operations.

<b>SANS Training Course</b>	<b>GIAC Certification</b>	<b>Work Role Proficiency</b>
MGT512: SANS Security Leadership Essentials For Managers	GSLC: GIAC Security Leadership Certification	3: Advanced
MGT514: Security Strategic Planning, Policy, and Leadership	GSTRT: GIAC Strategic Planning, Policy, and Leadership	3: Advanced

### **Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:**

SEC301: Introduction to Cyber Security / GISF: GIAC Information Security Fundamentals  
MGT414: SANS Training Program for CISSP® Certification / GISP: GIAC Information Security Professional



## Specialty Area: Program/Project Management (PMA) and Acquisition

Applies knowledge of data, information, processes, organizational interactions, skills, and analytical expertise, as well as systems, networks, and information exchange capabilities to manage acquisition programs. Executes duties governing hardware, software, and information system acquisition programs and other program management policies. Provides direct support for acquisitions that use information technology (IT) (including National Security Systems), applying IT-related laws and policies, and provides IT-related guidance throughout the total acquisition life cycle.

## Work Role: Program Manager (OV-PMA-001)

Leads, coordinates, communicates, integrates, and is accountable for the overall success of the program, ensuring alignment with agency or enterprise priorities.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
MGT512: SANS Security Leadership Essentials For Managers	GSLC: GIAC Security Leadership Certification	3: Advanced
MGT514: Security Strategic Planning, Policy, and Leadership	GSTRT: GIAC Strategic Planning, Policy, and Leadership	3: Advanced

## Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:

SEC301: Introduction to Cyber Security / GISF: GIAC Information Security Fundamentals

MGT414: SANS Training Program for CISSP® Certification/ GISP: GIAC Information Security Professional

MGT525: IT Project Management, Effective Communication, and PMP® Exam Prep/ GCPM: GIAC Certified Project Manager

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## Work Role: IT Project Manager (OV-PMA-002)

Directly manages information technology projects.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
MGT512: SANS Security Leadership Essentials For Managers	GSLC: GIAC Security Leadership Certification	3: Advanced
MGT525: IT Project Management, Effective Communication, and PMP® Exam Prep	GCPM: GIAC Certified Project Manager	3: Advanced

## Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:

SEC301: Introduction to Cyber Security / GISF: GIAC Information Security Fundamentals

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Applies knowledge of data, information, processes, organizational interactions, skills, and analytical expertise, as well as systems, networks, and information exchange capabilities to manage acquisition programs. Executes duties governing hardware, software, and information system acquisition programs and other program management policies. Provides direct support for acquisitions that use information technology (IT) (including National Security Systems), applying IT-related laws and policies, and provides IT-related guidance throughout the total acquisition life cycle.

## Work Role: Product Support Manager (OV-PMA-003)

Manages the package of support functions required to field and maintain the readiness and operational capability of systems and components.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
MGT512: SANS Security Leadership Essentials For Managers	GSLC: GIAC Security Leadership Certification	3: Advanced
MGT525: IT Project Management, Effective Communication, and PMP® Exam Prep	GCPM: GIAC Certified Project Manager	3: Advanced

## Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:

SEC301: Introduction to Cyber Security / GISF: GIAC Information Security Fundamentals

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## **Work Role: IT Program Auditor (OV-PMA-005)**

Conducts evaluations of an IT program or its individual components to determine compliance with published standards.

<b>SANS Training Course</b>	<b>GIAC Certification</b>	<b>Work Role Proficiency</b>
AUD507: Auditing & Monitoring Networks, Perimeters & Systems	GSNA: GIAC Systems and Network Auditor	3: Advanced

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Certification

## Specialty Area: Cybersecurity Defense Analysis (CDA)

Uses defensive measures and information collected from a variety of sources to identify, analyze, and report events that occur or might occur within the network to protect information, information systems, and networks from threats.

## Work Role: Cyber Defense Analyst (PR-CDA-001)

Uses data collected from a variety of cyber defense tools (e.g., IDS alerts, firewalls, network traffic logs) to analyze events that occur within their environments for the purposes of mitigating threats.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style	GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials	2: Intermediate
SEC501: Advanced Security Essentials - Enterprise Defender	GCED: GIAC Certified Enterprise Defender	3: Advanced
SEC503: Intrusion Detection In-Depth	GCIA: GIAC Certified Intrusion Analyst	3: Advanced
SEC511: Continuous Monitoring and Security Operations	GMON: GIAC Continuous Monitoring Certification	4: Expert

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SEC301: Introduction to Cyber Security / GISF: GIAC Information Security Fundamentals  
ICS410: ICS/SCADA Security Essentials / GICSP: Global Industrial Cyber Security Professional  
SEC460: Enterprise Threat and Vulnerability Assessment  
ICS515: ICS Active Defense and Incident Response / GRID: GIAC Response and Industrial Defense  
SEC555: SIEM with Tactical Analytics / GCDA: GIAC Certified Detection Analyst  
FOR572: Advanced Network Forensics: Threat Hunting, Analysis, and Incident Response /  
GNFA: GIAC Network Forensic Analyst  
SEC599: Defeating Advanced Adversaries – Purple Team Tactics & Kill Chain Defenses /  
GDAT: GIAC Defending Advanced Threats

## Specialty Area: Cybersecurity Defense Infrastructure Support (INF)

Tests, implements, deploys, maintains, reviews, and administers the infrastructure hardware and software that are required to effectively manage the computer network defense service provider network and resources. Monitors network to actively remediate unauthorized activities.

## Work Role: Cyber Defense Infrastructure Support Specialist (PR-INF-001)

Tests, implements, deploys, maintains, and administers the infrastructure hardware and software.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style	GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials	2: Intermediate
SEC501: Advanced Security Essentials - Enterprise Defender	GCED: GIAC Certified Enterprise Defender	3: Advanced

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 SEC511: Continuous Monitoring and Security Operations / GMON: GIAC Continuous Monitoring Certification  
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 SEC555: SIEM with Tactical Analytics / GCDA: GIAC Certified Detection Analyst  
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## Specialty Area: Incident Response (CIR)

Responds to crises or urgent situations within the pertinent domain to mitigate immediate and potential threats. Uses mitigation, preparedness, and response and recovery approaches, as needed, to maximize survival of life, preservation of property, and information security. Investigates and analyzes all relevant response activities.

## Work Role: Cyber Defense Incident Responder (PR-CIR-001)

Investigates, analyzes, and responds to cyber incidents within the network environment or enclave.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
SEC504: Hacker Tools, Techniques, Exploits, and Incident Handling	GCIH: GIAC Certified Incident Handler	2: Intermediate
FOR508: Advanced Incident Response, Threat Hunting, and Digital Forensics	GCFA: GIAC Certified Forensic Analyst	3: Advanced
FOR572: Advanced Network Forensics: Threat Hunting, Analysis, and Incident Response	GNFA: GIAC Network Forensic Analyst	3: Advanced

## Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:

SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style / GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials

SEC501: Advanced Security Essentials - Enterprise Defender / GCED: GIAC Certified Enterprise Defender

ICS515: ICS Active Defense and Incident Response / GRID: GIAC Response and Industrial Defense

FOR518: Mac and iOS Forensic Analysis and Incident Response

FOR526: Advanced Memory Forensics & Threat Detection

SEC550: Active Defense, Offensive Countermeasures and Cyber Deception

SEC555: SIEM with Tactical Analytics / GCDA: GIAC Certified Detection Analyst

SEC599: Defeating Advanced Adversaries, Purple Team Tactics & Kill Chain Defenses / GDAT: GIAC Defending Advanced Threats



## Specialty Area: Vulnerability Assessment and Management (VAM)

Conducts assessments of threats and vulnerabilities; determines deviations from acceptable configurations, enterprise or local policy; assesses the level of risk; and develops and/or recommends appropriate mitigation countermeasures in operational and nonoperational situations.

## Work Role: Vulnerability Assessment Analyst (PR-VAM-001)

Performs assessments of systems and networks within the network environment or enclave and identifies where those systems/networks deviate from acceptable configurations, enclave policy, or local policy. Measures effectiveness of defense-in-depth architecture against known vulnerabilities.

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SEC460: Enterprise Threat and Vulnerability Assessment	N/A	2: Intermediate
SEC542: Web App Penetration Testing and Ethical Hacking	GWAPT: GIAC Web Application Penetration Tester	3: Advanced
SEC560: Network Penetration Testing and Ethical Hacking	GPEN: GIAC Certified Penetration Tester	3: Advanced
SEC660: Advanced Penetration Testing, Exploit Writing, and Ethical Hacking	GXPEN: GIAC Exploit Researcher and Advanced Penetration Tester	4: Expert

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SEC642: Advanced Web App Penetration Testing, Ethical Hacking, and Exploitation Techniques

N/A

4: Expert

### **Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:**

SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style / GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials

SEC501: Advanced Security Essentials - Enterprise Defender / GCED: GIAC Certified Enterprise Defender

SEC504: Hacker Tools, Techniques, Exploits, and Incident Handling / GCIH: GIAC Certified Incident Handler

AUD507: Auditing & Monitoring Networks, Perimeters & Systems / GSNA: GIAC Systems and Network Auditor

ICS410: ICS/SCADA Security Essentials / GICSP: Global Industrial Cyber Security Professional

ICS515: ICS Active Defense and Incident Response / GRID: GIAC Response and Industrial Defense

SEC617: Wireless Penetration Testing and Ethical Hacking / GAWN: GIAC Assessing Wireless Networks

SEC562: CyberCity Hands-on Kinetic Cyber Range Exercise

SEC760: Advanced Exploit Development for Penetration Testers

## Specialty Area: Threat Analysis (TWA)

Identifies and assesses the capabilities and activities of cybersecurity criminals or foreign intelligence entities; produces findings to help initialize or support law enforcement and counterintelligence investigations or activities.

## Work Role: Threat/Warning Analyst (AN-TWA-001)

Develops cyber indicators to maintain awareness of the status of the highly dynamic operating environment. Collects, processes, analyzes, and disseminates cyber threat/warning assessments.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
FOR578: Cyber Threat Intelligence	GCTI: GIAC Cyber Threat Intelligence	3: Advanced

## Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:

SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style / GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials  
 ICS410: ICS/SCADA Security Essentials / GICSP: Global Industrial Cyber Security Professional  
 FOR508: Advanced Incident Response, Threat Hunting, and Digital Forensics/  
 GCFA: GIAC Certified Forensic Analyst

## Specialty Area: Exploitation Analysis (EXP)

Analyzes collected information to identify vulnerabilities and potential for exploitation.

## Work Role: Exploitation Analyst (AN-EXP-001)

Collaborates to identify access and collection gaps that can be satisfied through cyber collection and/or preparation activities. Leverages all authorized resources and analytic techniques to penetrate targeted networks.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
SEC542: Web App Penetration Testing and Ethical Hacking	GWAPT: GIAC Web Application Penetration Tester	3: Advanced
SEC560: Network Penetration Testing and Ethical Hacking	GPEN: GIAC Certified Penetration Tester	3: Advanced
SEC562: CyberCity Hands-on Kinetic Cyber Range Exercise	N/A	3: Advanced

## **Specialty Area: All-Source Analysis (ASA)**

Analyzes threat information from multiple sources, disciplines, and agencies across the Intelligence Community.  
Synthesizes and places intelligence information in context; draws insights about the possible implications.

## **Work Role: Exploitation Analyst (AN-EXP-001)**

Collaborates to identify access and collection gaps that can be satisfied through cyber collection and/or preparation activities. Leverages all authorized resources and analytic techniques to penetrate targeted networks.

## **Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:**

SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style / GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials

SEC501: Advanced Security Essentials - Enterprise Defender / GCED: GIAC Certified Enterprise Defender

SEC504: Hacker Tools, Techniques, Exploits, and Incident Handling / GCIH: GIAC Certified Incident Handler

AUD507: Auditing & Monitoring Networks, Perimeters & Systems/

GSNA: GIAC Systems and Network Auditor

ICS410: ICS/SCADA Security Essentials / GICSP: Global Industrial Cyber Security Professional

ICS515: ICS Active Defense and Incident Response / GRID: GIAC Response and Industrial Defense

SEC575: Mobile Device Security and Ethical Hacking / GMOB: GIAC Mobile Device Security Analyst

SEC617: Wireless Penetration Testing and Ethical Hacking/ GAWN: GIAC Assessing Wireless Networks

SEC642: Advanced Web App Penetration Testing, Ethical Hacking, and Exploitation Techniques

SEC660: Advanced Penetration Testing, Exploit Writing, and Ethical Hacking/

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Analyzes threat information from multiple sources, disciplines, and agencies across the Intelligence Community.  
Synthesizes and places intelligence information in context; draws insights about the possible implications.

## Work Role: All Source Analyst (AN-ASA-001)

Analyzes data/information from one or multiple sources to conduct preparation of the environment, respond to requests for information, and submit intelligence collection and production requirements in support of planning and operations.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
FOR578: Cyber Threat Intelligence	GCTI: GIAC Cyber Threat Intelligence	3: Advanced
SEC487: Open-Source Intelligence (OSINT) Gathering and Analysis	N/A	3: Advanced

## Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:

SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style / GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials  
ICS410: ICS/SCADA Security Essentials / GICSP: Global Industrial Cyber Security Professional  
FOR508: Advanced Incident Response, Threat Hunting, and Digital Forensics /  
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Analyzes threat information from multiple sources, disciplines, and agencies across the Intelligence Community.  
Synthesizes and places intelligence information in context; draws insights about the possible implications.

## **Work Role: Mission Assessment Specialist (AN-ASA-002)**

Develops assessment plans and measures of performance/effectiveness. Conducts strategic and operational effectiveness assessments as required for cyber events. Determines whether systems performed as expected and provides input to the determination of operational effectiveness.

## **Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:**

SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style / GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials  
ICS410: ICS/SCADA Security Essentials / GICSP: Global Industrial Cyber Security Professional  
FOR508: Advanced Incident Response, Threat Hunting, and Digital Forensics /  
GCFA: GIAC Certified Forensic Analyst  
FOR578: Cyber Threat Intelligence / GCTI: GIAC Cyber Threat Intelligence

**Specialty Area: Targets (TGT)**

Applies current knowledge of one or more regions, countries, non-state entities, and/or technologies.

**Work Role: Target Developer (AN-TGT-001)**

Performs target system analysis, builds and/or maintains electronic target folders to include inputs from environment preparation, and/or internal or external intelligence sources. Coordinates with partner target activities and intelligence organizations, and presents candidate targets for vetting and validation.

<b>SANS Training Course</b>	<b>GIAC Certification</b>	<b>Work Role Proficiency</b>
SEC542: Web App Penetration Testing and Ethical Hacking	GWAPT: GIAC Web Application Penetration Tester	3: Advanced
SEC560: Network Penetration Testing and Ethical Hacking	GPEN: GIAC Certified Penetration Tester	3: Advanced
SEC562: CyberCity Hands-on Kinetic Cyber Range Exercise	N/A	3: Advanced

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Performs target system analysis, builds and/or maintains electronic target folders to include inputs from environment preparation, and/or internal or external intelligence sources. Coordinates with partner target activities and intelligence organizations, and presents candidate targets for vetting and validation.

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SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style / GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials

SEC501: Advanced Security Essentials - Enterprise Defender / GCED: GIAC Certified Enterprise Defender

SEC504: Hacker Tools, Techniques, Exploits, and Incident Handling / GCIH: GIAC Certified Incident Handler

AUD507: Auditing & Monitoring Networks, Perimeters & Systems/

GSNA: GIAC Systems and Network Auditor

ICS410: ICS/SCADA Security Essentials / GICSP: Global Industrial Cyber Security Professional

ICS515: ICS Active Defense and Incident Response / GRID: GIAC Response and Industrial Defense

SEC575: Mobile Device Security and Ethical Hacking / GMOB: GIAC Mobile Device Security Analyst

FOR578: Cyber Threat Intelligence / GCTI: GIAC Cyber Threat Intelligence

SEC617: Wireless Penetration Testing and Ethical Hacking / GAWN: GIAC Assessing Wireless Networks

SEC642: Advanced Web App Penetration Testing, Ethical Hacking, and Exploitation Techniques

SEC660: Advanced Penetration Testing, Exploit Writing, and Ethical Hacking/

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Applies current knowledge of one or more regions, countries, non-state entities, and/or technologies.

## Work Role: Target Network Analyst (AN-TGT-002)

Conducts advanced analysis of collection and open-source data to ensure target continuity; to profile targets and their activities; and develop techniques to gain more target information. Determines how targets communicate, move, operate and live based on knowledge of target technologies, digital networks, and the applications on them.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
SEC542: Web App Penetration Testing and Ethical Hacking	GWAPT: GIAC Web Application Penetration Tester	3: Advanced
SEC560: Network Penetration Testing and Ethical Hacking	GPEN: GIAC Certified Penetration Tester	3: Advanced
SEC562: CyberCity Hands-on Kinetic Cyber Range Exercise	N/A	3: Advanced

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SEC487: Open-Source Intelligence (OSINT) Gathering and Analysis

N/A

3: Advanced

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SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style / GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials

SEC501: Advanced Security Essentials - Enterprise Defender / GCED: GIAC Certified Enterprise Defender

SEC504: Hacker Tools, Techniques, Exploits, and Incident Handling / GCIH: GIAC Certified Incident Handler

AUD507: Auditing & Monitoring Networks, Perimeters & Systems / GSNA: GIAC Systems and Network Auditor

ICS410: ICS/SCADA Security Essentials / GICSP: Global Industrial Cyber Security Professional

ICS515: ICS Active Defense and Incident Response / GRID: GIAC Response and Industrial Defense

SEC575: Mobile Device Security and Ethical Hacking / GMOB: GIAC Mobile Device Security Analyst

FOR578: Cyber Threat Intelligence / GCTI: GIAC Cyber Threat Intelligence

SEC617: Wireless Penetration Testing and Ethical Hacking / GAWN: GIAC Assessing Wireless Networks

SEC642: Advanced Web App Penetration Testing, Ethical Hacking, and Exploitation Techniques

SEC660: Advanced Penetration Testing, Exploit Writing, and Ethical Hacking/

GXPN: GIAC Exploit Researcher and Advanced Penetration Tester

**Specialty Area: Language Analysis (LNG)**

Applies language, cultural, and technical expertise to support information collection, analysis, and other cybersecurity activities.

**Work Role: Multi-Disciplined Language Analyst (AN-LNG-001)**

Applies language and culture expertise with target/threat and technical knowledge to process, analyze, and/or disseminate intelligence information derived from language, voice and/or graphic material. Creates and maintains language-specific databases and working aids to support cyber action execution and ensure critical knowledge sharing. Provides subject matter expertise in foreign language-intensive or interdisciplinary projects.

**Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:**

SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style / GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials

SEC504: Hacker Tools, Techniques, Exploits, and Incident Handling / GCIH: GIAC Certified Incident Handler

SEC560: Network Penetration Testing and Ethical Hacking / GPEN: GIAC Certified Penetration Tester

FOR578: Cyber Threat Intelligence / GCTI: GIAC Cyber Threat Intelligence

## Specialty Area: Collection Operations (CLO)

Executes collection using appropriate strategies and within the priorities established through the collection management process.

### Work Role: All Source-Collection Manager (CO-CLO-001)

Identifies collection authorities and environment; incorporates priority information requirements into collection management; develops concepts to meet leadership's intent. Determines capabilities of available collection assets, identifies new collection capabilities; and constructs and disseminates collection plans. Monitors execution of tasked collection to ensure effective execution of the collection plan.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
FOR578: Cyber Threat Intelligence	GCTI: GIAC Cyber Threat Intelligence	3: Advanced
SEC487: Open-Source Intelligence (OSINT) Gathering and Analysis	N/A	3: Advanced

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SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style / GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials

FOR508: Advanced Incident Response, Threat Hunting, and Digital Forensics /

GCFA: GIAC Certified Forensic Analyst

ICS410: ICS/SCADA Security Essentials / GICSP: Global Industrial Cyber Security Professional

## Specialty Area: Collection Operations (CLO)

Executes collection using appropriate strategies and within the priorities established through the collection management process.

### Work Role: All Source-Collection Requirements Manager (CO-CLO-002)

Evaluates collection operations and develops effects-based collection requirements strategies using available sources and methods to improve collection. Develops, processes, validates, and coordinates submission of collection requirements. Evaluates performance of collection assets and collection operations.

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FOR578: Cyber Threat Intelligence	GCTI: GIAC Cyber Threat Intelligence	3: Advanced
SEC487: Open-Source Intelligence (OSINT) Gathering and Analysis	N/A	3: Advanced

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## Specialty Area: Cyber Operational Planning (OPL)

Performs in-depth joint targeting and cybersecurity planning process. Gathers information and develops detailed Operational Plans and Orders supporting requirements. Conducts strategic and operational-level planning across the full range of operations for integrated information and cyberspace operations.

## Work Role: Cyber Intel Planner (CO-OPL-001)

Develops detailed intelligence plans to satisfy cyber operations requirements. Collaborates with cyber operations planners to identify, validate, and levy requirements for collection and analysis. Participates in targeting selection, validation, synchronization, and execution of cyber actions. Synchronizes intelligence activities to support organization objectives in cyberspace.

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FOR578: Cyber Threat Intelligence	GCTI: GIAC Cyber Threat Intelligence	3: Advanced
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## Work Role: Cyber Ops Planner (CO-OPL-002)

Develops detailed plans for the conduct or support of the applicable range of cyber operations through collaboration with other planners, operators and/or analysts. Participates in targeting selection, validation, synchronization, and enables integration during the execution of cyber actions.

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SEC542: Web App Penetration Testing and Ethical Hacking	GWAPT: GIAC Web Application Penetration Tester	3: Advanced
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## Cyber Ops Planner Continued

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## Work Role: Partner Integration Planner (CO-OPL-003)

Works to advance cooperation across organizational or national borders between cyber operations partners. Aids the integration of partner cyber teams by providing guidance, resources, and collaboration to develop best practices and facilitate organizational support for achieving objectives in integrated cyber actions.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
FOR578: Cyber Threat Intelligence	GCTI: GIAC Cyber Threat Intelligence	3: Advanced

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FOR508: Advanced Incident Response, Threat Hunting, and Digital Forensics /

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## Specialty Area: Cyber Operations (OPS)

Performs activities to gather evidence on criminal or foreign intelligence entities to mitigate possible or real-time threats, protect against espionage or insider threats, foreign sabotage, international terrorist activities, or to support other intelligence activities.

## Work Role: Cyber Operator (CO-OPS-001)

Conducts collection, processing, and/or geolocation of systems to exploit, locate, and/or track targets of interest.  
Performs network navigation, tactical forensic analysis, and, when directed, executes on-net operations.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
SEC542: Web App Penetration Testing and Ethical Hacking	GWAPT: GIAC Web Application Penetration Tester	3: Advanced
SEC560: Network Penetration Testing and Ethical Hacking	GPEN: GIAC Certified Penetration Tester	3: Advanced
SEC562: CyberCity Hands-on Kinetic Cyber Range Exercise	N/A	3: Advanced

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SEC660: Advanced Penetration Testing, Exploit Writing, and Ethical Hacking/

GXPEN: GIAC Exploit Researcher and Advanced Penetration Tester

## Specialty Area: Cyber Investigation (INV)

Applies tactics, techniques, and procedures for a full range of investigative tools and processes to include, but not limited to, interview and interrogation techniques, surveillance, counter surveillance, and surveillance detection, and appropriately balances the benefits of prosecution versus intelligence gathering.

## Work Role: Cyber Crime Investigator (IN-INV-001)

Identifies, collects, examines, and preserves evidence using controlled and documented analytical and investigative techniques.

SANS Training Course	GIAC Certification	Work Role Proficiency
FOR500: Windows Forensics Analysis	GCFE: GIAC Certified Forensic Examiner	3: Advanced
FOR508: Advanced Incident Response, Threat Hunting, and Digital Forensics	GCFA: GIAC Certified Forensic Analyst	3: Advanced

## Other Mapped SANS Training and GIAC Certifications:

SEC401: Security Essentials Bootcamp Style / GSEC: GIAC Security Essentials  
 SEC301: Introduction to Cyber Security / GISF: GIAC Information Security Fundamentals  
 FOR518: Mac and iOS Forensic Analysis and Incident Response  
 FOR526: Advanced Memory Forensics & Threat Detection  
 FOR572: Advanced Network Forensics: Threat Hunting, Analysis, and Incident Response

**Specialty Area: Digital Forensics (FOR)**

Collects, processes, preserves, analyzes, and presents computer-related evidence in support of network vulnerability mitigation and/or criminal, fraud, counterintelligence, or law enforcement investigations.

**Work Role: Law Enforcement /Counterintelligence Forensics Analyst (IN-FOR-001)**

Conducts detailed investigations on computer-based crimes establishing documentary or physical evidence, to include digital media and logs associated with cyber intrusion incidents.

<b>SANS Training Course</b>	<b>GIAC Certification</b>	<b>Work Role Proficiency</b>
FOR500: Windows Forensics Analysis	GCFE: GIAC Certified Forensic Examiner	3: Advanced
FOR508: Advanced Incident Response, Threat Hunting, and Digital Forensics	GCFA: GIAC Certified Forensic Analyst	3: Advanced
FOR572: Advanced Network Forensics: Threat Hunting, Analysis, and Incident Response	GNFA: GIAC Network Forensic Analyst	3: Advanced

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 FOR585: Smartphone Forensic Analysis In-Depth / GASF: GIAC Advanced Smartphone Forensics  
 FOR610: Reverse-Engineering Malware: Malware Analysis Tools and Techniques/  
 GREM: GIAC Reverse Engineering Malware  
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 FOR526: Advanced Memory Forensics & Threat Detection

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**Work Role: Cyber Defense Forensics Analyst (IN-FOR-002)**

Analyzes digital evidence and investigates computer security incidents to derive useful information in support of system/network vulnerability mitigation.

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