

DAY 1



Databricks Certification Preparation

Databricks Certified
Data Engineer Associate

DAY 1 – KEY MODULES

Daniel Arrizza



HOUSEKEEPING

- This session will be recorded and the slides and notebooks will be shared by the end of this week
- Please use the **Q&A chat** function to ask our team any questions during the training – we will do our best to answer them in the chat or outloud. If we are unable to answer your questions during the session your Databricks account team will follow-up with you
- Find all important links under the **Related Content** widget including the links to the course in Databricks Academy, the Certification Overview, YouTube videos on Delta Live Tables and Data Engineering on Databricks, the notebooks in GitHub, the link to register for the exam, our survey and more!
- Feel free to adjust the widgets on your audience dashboard
- Refresh your page if you have any issues
- Enjoy this training :) and don't forget to **complete our survey!**



THE RAFFLE & CERTIFICATION VOUCHER

Complete the Fundamentals of the Databricks Lakehouse Platform Accreditation by May 27 to be entered into a raffle where 25 lucky winners will be sent a box of cool Databricks swag!

- This is a 30-minute assessment that will test your knowledge about fundamental concepts related to the Databricks Lakehouse Platform. This accreditation is the beginning step in most of the Databricks Academy learning plans – SQL Analysts, Data Scientists, Data Engineers, and Platform Administrators. Business leaders are also welcome to take this assessment.

Complete our short feedback survey, providing your name & company email address and we will send you 1 certification voucher to take on any Databricks certification exam

- Voucher is valid until October 31, 2022



Meet your instructor!

Daniel Arrizza
Sr. Staff Customer Success Engineer



Meet your Teaching Assistants!

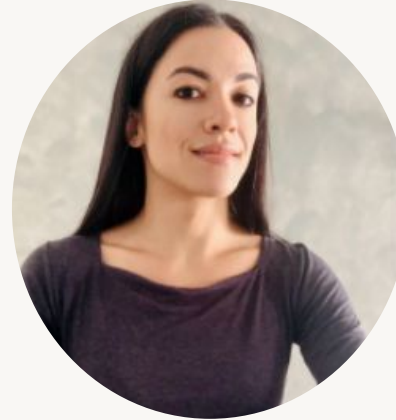
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About this training series

Data Engineer



DATABRICKS LAKEHOUSE FUNDAMENTALS ACCREDITATION ★

- What is the Databricks Lakehouse Platform? (SP)
- What is Delta Lake? (SP)
- What is Databricks SQL? (SP)
- What is Databricks Machine Learning? (SP)
- **Databricks Lakehouse Fundamentals Accreditation (SP)**

DATA ENGINEER ASSOCIATE CERTIFICATION ★★

- Data Engineering with Databricks (ILT/SP)
- Certification Overview Course for the Databricks Certified Data Engineer Associate (SP)
- **Databricks Certified Data Engineer Associate Exam (for \$200 USD)**

DATA ENGINEER PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION ★★★

- Advanced Data Engineering with Databricks *(available now as self-paced or as ILT starting 22-June-2022)*
- Certification Overview Course for the Databricks Certified Data Engineer Professional (SP)
- **Databricks Certified Data Engineer Professional Exam (for \$200 USD)**

SP = self-paced training (free for Databricks customers, available in Data Engineer Learning plan via Databricks Academy)

ILT = instructor-led training course (available for a fee)



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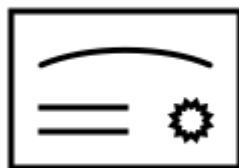
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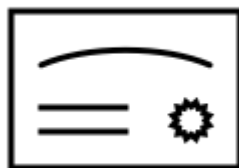


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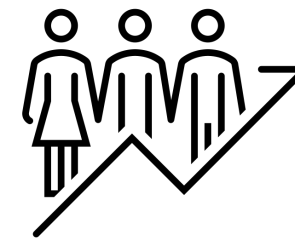
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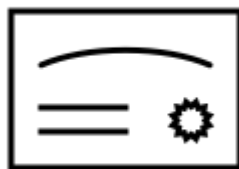


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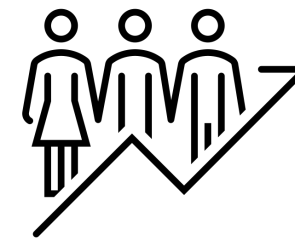
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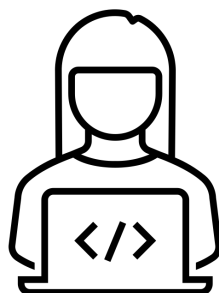
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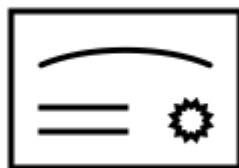


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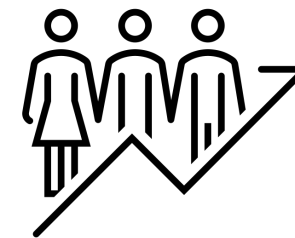
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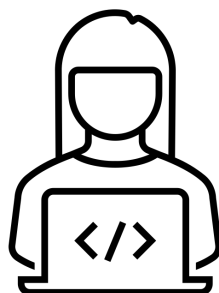
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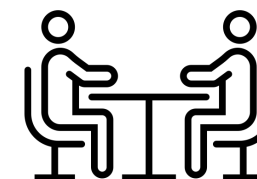
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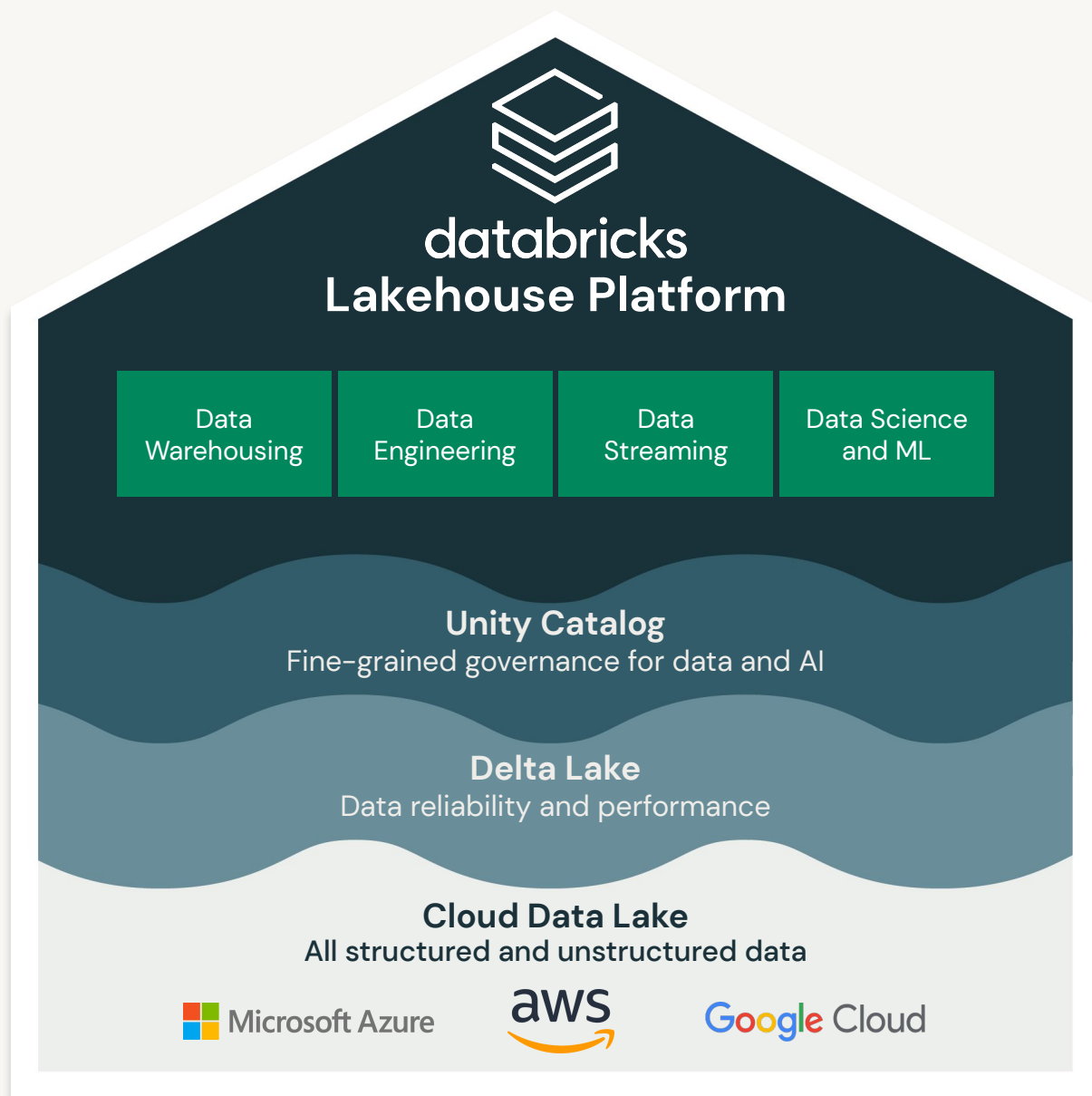
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Improve stakeholder and peers perceptions when it comes to reputation, credibility, and confidence



Overview of concepts

Key concepts tested on exam



Databricks Lakehouse Platform

Simple

Unify your data warehousing and AI use cases on a single platform

Open

Built on open source and open standards

Multicloud

One consistent data platform across clouds

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a technical dive into
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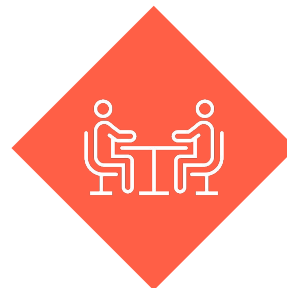
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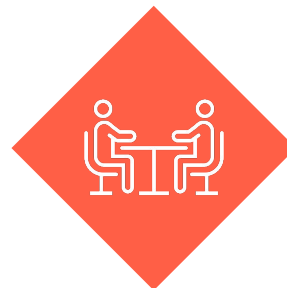
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get your questions about Databricks certification answered



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DAY 2 – EXAM PREP

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Meet today's team!

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Sr. Staff Customer
Success Engineer



Debora Reis,
Sr. Customer
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Training series goals

Before we get started... who is this for?

- Data Engineer
- Beginner-level certification
- Assess candidates at a level equivalent to **six months of experience** with data engineering with Databricks

6 months



Professional

Associate



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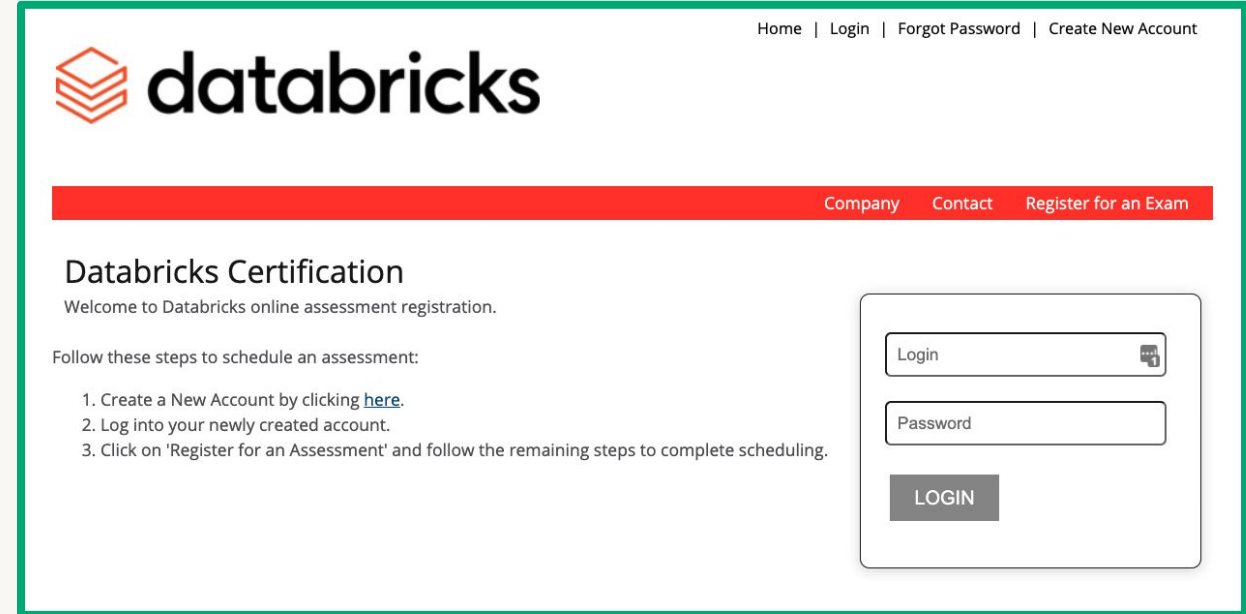
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Certification Exam Logistics

Information about the exam / taking the exam

Exam Platform

- Databricks Academy certifications are offered through Kryterion's Webassessor platform.
- Webassessor is a simple, scalable assessment solution resulting in an easy test-taking experience.

A screenshot of the Databricks Certification registration page. The page has a white background with a red header bar. The Databricks logo is in the top left, and navigation links (Home, Login, Forgot Password, Create New Account) are in the top right. A red bar contains links for Company, Contact, and Register for an Exam. The main content area is titled 'Databricks Certification' and includes a welcome message, instructions on how to schedule an assessment, and a list of three steps. On the right side, there is a login form with fields for 'Login' and 'Password', and a 'LOGIN' button.

Home | Login | Forgot Password | Create New Account

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Databricks Certification

Welcome to Databricks online assessment registration.

Follow these steps to schedule an assessment:

1. Create a New Account by clicking [here](#).
2. Log into your newly created account.
3. Click on 'Register for an Assessment' and follow the remaining steps to complete scheduling.

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Proctoring Details

- During the exam, you will be:
 - Monitored via webcam by a Webassessor proctor.
 - Asked to provide valid, photo-based identification.
- The proctor will:
 - Monitor you during the exam.
 - Answer any exam delivery questions you might have.
 - Provide technical support.
- The proctor will not provide assistance on the content of the exam.
- No test aids will be available during the exam.



Exam Grading

- Certification exams are automatically graded.
- Following the exam, the proctor's session notes and the recorded grade will be reviewed by Databricks Academy
- It will take about one week for you to find out whether or not you passed the exam.



Certificate Awarding Process

- If it's been determined that you've passed the exam, your certificate will be awarded via Databricks Academy.



Basic Exam Details

- Time allotted to complete exam = **1.5 hours**
- Passing scores = At least **70%**
- Number of Questions = **45**
- More info. on the Databricks Academy FAQ:

<http://files.training.databricks.com/lms/docebo/databricks-academy-faq.pdf>



Code Examples

- Data manipulation code will be provided in **SQL** when possible
- In all other cases, code will be in **Python**
- Runtime Version = **DBR 9.1**



Exam Question and Topic Distribution

- Exam questions are distributed into five categories:
 - Databricks Lakehouse Platform – 24%
 - ELT with Spark SQL and Python – 29%
 - Incremental Data Processing – 22%
 - Production Pipelines – 16%
 - Data Governance – 9%
- All of the questions in all categories are **multiple-choice questions** – this means there's only one correct answer for each question.



Conceptual Question Types

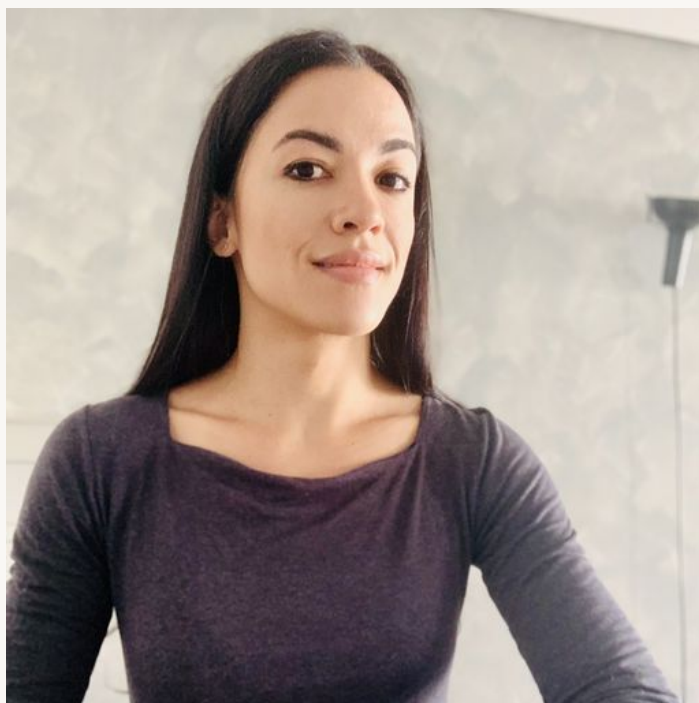
- **Definitions:** what something is or does
- **Relationships:** how something compares to or is related to something else
- **Results:** If _____ occurs, ...
- **Classification:** in which category does something belong
- **Configurations:** based on this cluster configuration, ...



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