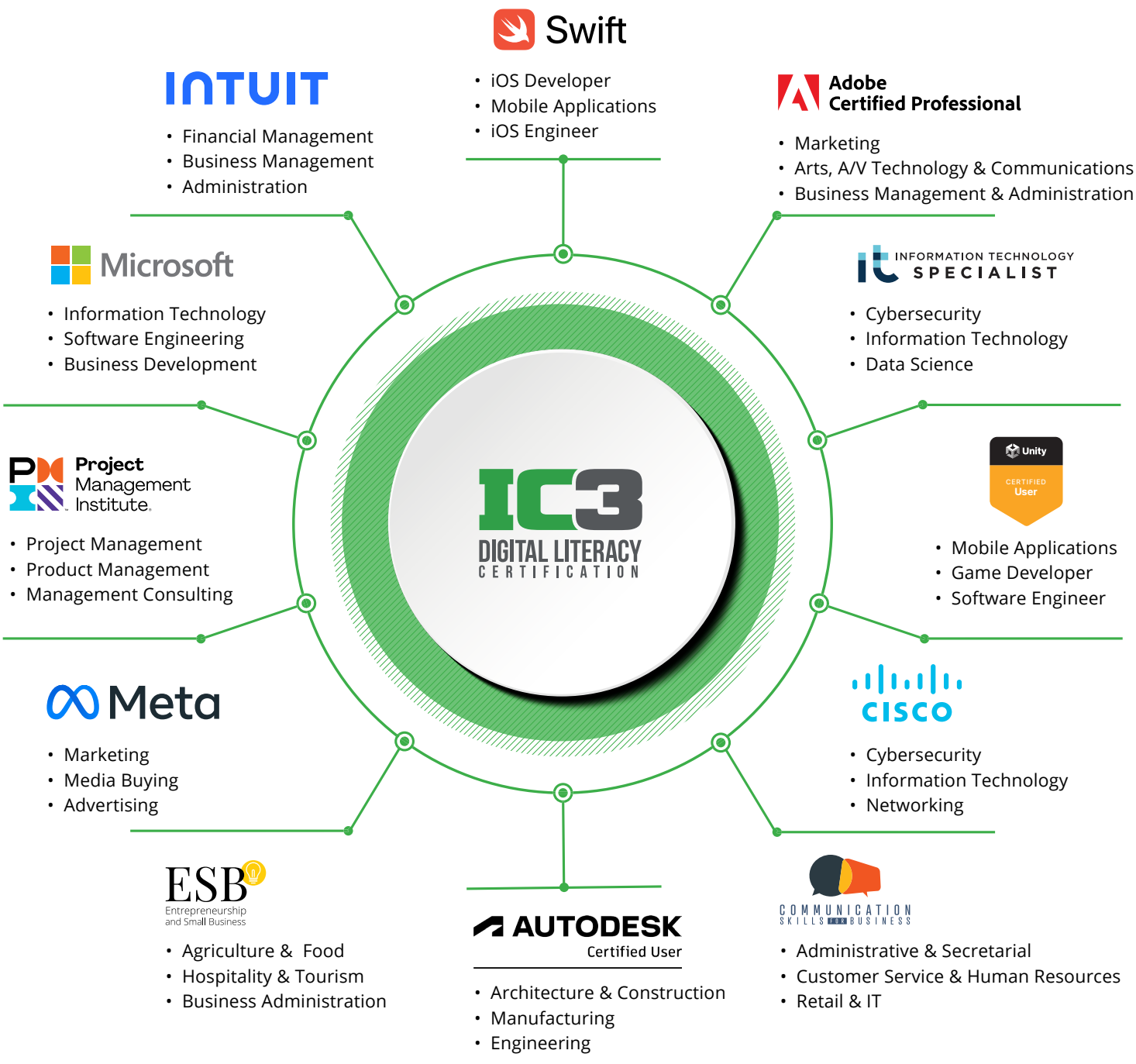
It All Starts With

# IC3 DIGITAL LITERACY




IC3 Digital Literacy is the starting point for learners of all ages to establish a foundational skill set of digital competencies.

# IC3 DIGITAL LITERACY IS THE FOUNDATION FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

The IC3 Digital Literacy Certification program ensures learners of all ages possess the digital literacy skills to not only navigate our digital world but thrive in it. The program goes beyond confirming a learner's ability to use technology; it equips them to grasp its potential and develop the needed skills to contribute to our modern digital economy. Exams are available for both versions of the IC3 Digital Literacy Global Standard: Global Standard Five and Global Standard Six.

## IC3 DIGITAL LITERACY GLOBAL STANDARD FIVE (GS5)

GS5 is the previous version of the IC3 Digital Literacy program. It consists of three main modules that cover fundamental digital skills: Computing Fundamentals, Key Applications, and Living Online.

IC3 COMPUTING FUNDAMENTALS

IC3 LIVING ONLINE

IC3 KEY APPLICATIONS

Two additional products are available based on students' needs:

IC3 spark

IC3 FASTTRACK

## IC3 DIGITAL LITERACY GLOBAL STANDARD SIX (GS6)

GS6 is the latest version of the IC3 Digital Literacy program. It addresses current computing concepts including cloud and mobile technologies. The program is structured around three certifications. While each certification focuses on the same seven competencies, these competencies are tested at varying levels: foundations, intermediate, and advanced.

### THE 7 COMPETENCIES:

- ✔ Technology Basics
- ✔ Safety and Security
- ✔ Communication
- ✔ Information Management
- ✔ Digital Citizenship
- ✔ Content Creation
- ✔ Collaboration

IC3 DIGITAL LITERACY LEVEL 1

**LEVEL 1 - Foundations**

**Know**: Certifies candidates possess foundational knowledge and basic competencies of Digital Literacy.

IC3 DIGITAL LITERACY LEVEL 2

**LEVEL 2 - Intermediate**

**Do:** Certifies candidates' skills to perform essential tasks in an online environment using core software applications.

IC3 DIGITAL LITERACY LEVEL 3

**LEVEL 3 - Advanced**

**Lead:** Certifies candidates' competences in digital literacy skills, including managing systems, collaborating, solving issues, while providing guidance to others

IC3 DIGITAL LITERACY CERTIFICATION

When a candidate successfully passes all three certification exams, they earn a master certificate and badge to display a successful completion of the **IC3 Digital Literacy Program Global Standard Six.**

Learn More at www.certiport.com/ic3

# TRULY A GLOBAL STANDARD

GLOBAL DIGITAL LITERACY COUNCIL

IC3 Digital Literacy works closely with the **Global Digital Literacy Council**, an advisory body of industry executives, technology educators, and assessment professionals, to collect data from job markets, educational ministries, governmental agencies, and international standard setting bodies, to ensure IC3 Digital Literacy is always on the forefront of what it means to be digitally literate.

## ALIGNMENTS TO GLOBAL STANDARDS

IC3 Digital Literacy aligns to a major set of international standards set by regional standard bodies to ensure it is truly a global standard.

ISTE Standards Seal of Alignment Student Standards March 2021-23

IC3 Digital Literacy Global Standards Five and Six both align to the North American ISTE Standards.

DigComp: Information and data literacy; Communication and collaboration; Digital content creation; Safety; Problem solving

IC3 Digital Literacy aligns to the DigComp Standards established by the European Commission.

UNESCO

IC3 Digital Literacy has been recognized as a leading global program of UNESCO's Global Framework on Digital Literacy.

## ENDORSEMENTS

IC3 Digital Literacy has been endorsed around the globe by helping learners of all ages validate their digital literacy skills and competencies. The following international organizations endorse IC3 Digital Literacy:

nc3 National Coalition of Certification Centers

SkillsUSA

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Ministero dell'Istruzione, dell'Università e della Ricerca

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TPQI สถาบันคุณวุฒิวิชาชีพ (องค์การมหาชน)

جامعة قطر Qatar University

Fundusze Europejskie Program Regionalny; Urząd Marszałkowski Województwa Pomorskiego; Unia Europejska Europejskie Fundusze Strukturalne i Inwestycyjne

Guvernul României Ministerul Educației și Cercetării Științifice

ACE American Council on Education CREDIT College Credit Recommendation Service

IC3 Digital Literacy has been recommended for post-secondary accreditation by the American Council on Education.

PLEDGER Digital Skills and Jobs Coalition

Certiport is a member of the European Commission's Digital Skills and Jobs Coalition to help ensure everyone in Europe has access to digital skills.

Meta

Meta recognizes IC3 Digital Literacy as a global digital skill standard that prepares learners with foundational knowledge needed to pursue the Meta Digital Marketing Associate certification.

CERTIPORT
A PEARSON VUE BUSINESS

Certiport follows a **Learn, Practice, Certify** model to support learning and validate a mastery understanding of the concepts through certification. This ensures that individuals of all ages not only gain knowledge but also have the ability to effectively apply it. Because people learn differently, Certiport provides learners with options to meet their learning style, including textbooks, digital courseware, and practice tests.

**Learn:** Up-to-date materials and step-by-step tutorials provide the resources necessary to teach complete software and technical skills. Complex subjects become easier to learn and even easier to teach.

**Practice:** Practice assessment exams are used to gauge progress, prepare students, and measure learning objectives. The course and content can be adjusted to complement the areas needed most based on learners' needs.

**Certify:** Learners receive an industry-recognized certification they can use on resumes, post to portfolios, and share on social media. The validation can set them apart as they prepare for college and careers.

Pearson

Helping people progress their lives through access to better living.

LearnKey

Global provider of on-demand education and training solutions.

CCI Learning

Provider of award-winning information technology courseware.

CertPREP PRACTICE TESTS

Delivers high-quality practice tests so you know you are prepared.

TRAINYOU

E-course in Spanish focused on digital knowledge and skills for school and workplace

## VALUE OF CERTIFICATION

Earning an official certification that is industry-recognized can validate the time and effort that the instructor and the learner put into mastering a subject. The certification serves as a verification of understanding the concepts associated with the learning materials and provides value to both the certificate earner and company for which they may work.

The **2023 Value of IT Certification Survey** by Pearson VUE* has listed the benefits of certification by asking over ten thousand certificate holders about the value they received by earning their certification. The benefits are as follows:

- 92% are more confident in their abilities.
- 84% are more determined to succeed professionally.
- 81% of candidates have more confidence to explore new job opportunities.
- 79% feel more respected by their peers.
- 78% are more satisfied with their jobs.
- 35% received pay increases of 30% or more.

* Pearson VUE, Value of Certification Survey, 2023, https://home.pearsonvue.com/Test-owners/Industry-expertise/Technology/VOC.aspx

From the employer's perspective*, increasing the number of certified employees has an impact on their business in the following ways:

- 66% reported a significant positive impact on work quality.
- 65% reported an increase in the ability to guide and mentor others.
- 63% reported a significant increase in employee work efficiency.
- 58% reported a significant or very significant impact on employee innovativeness.

*Pearson VUE Impact of Certification, 2021, https://home.pearsonvue.com/Test-owners/Industry-expertise/Technology/VOC.aspx

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