

# Google Cloud Certification Journey

## Professional Cloud Architect

Cohort start date - April 2nd, 2024

Cohort ID: PCA11-GETCERT/2024.04.02

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Cohort Coordinator: Aldana Perazzo

Program Lead: Alyssa Groves



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## Dates overview

Weeks

1-5

Time zone:  
EDT

### Pre-work

To be done  
before:

April 02 2024

### Week 1

Start

April 02 2024

Duration

~ 10 h

### Week 2

Start

April 09 2024

Duration

~ 10 h

### Week 3

Start

April 16 2024

Duration

~ 13 h

### Week 4

Start

April 23 2024

Duration

~ 2 h

### Week 5

Start

April 30 2024

Duration

~ 15 h

### Exam guide reviews sessions / Arcade session

Date

April 02 2024

Time

10:00-11:30

Session recorded\*

Date

April 09 2024

Time

10:00-11:30

Session recorded\*

Date

April 16 2024

Time

10:00-11:30

Session recorded\*

Date

April 23 2024

Time

10:00-11:00

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Connect with technical advisor to clarify remaining areas.

Peer to peer discussions and questions will be monitored during working days.

End June 10 2024

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6-10

Time zone:  
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Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Exams
Start May 07 2024	Start May 14 2024	Start May 21 2024	Start May 28 2024	Start June 04 2024	
Duration ~ 14 h	Duration ~ 8 h	Duration ~ 16 h	Duration ~ 2 h	Duration ~ 2 h	
Exam guide reviews sessions / Mentor office hours					
Date May 07 2024	Date May 14 2024	Date May 21 2024	Date May 28 2024	No session	
Time 10:00-11:30	Time 10:00-11:30	Time 10:00-11:00	Time 10:00-11:00	Self study	
Session recorded*	Session recorded*	Session recorded*	Session recorded*		
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### Pre-work

Review:

[Professional Cloud Architect Certification Exam Guide](#)

[Professional Cloud Architect Sample Questions](#)

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5
Please complete:	Please complete:	Please complete:	Please complete:	Please complete (optional):
★ <a href="#">Implement Load Balancing on Compute Engine</a> Required*	★ <a href="#">Set Up an App Dev Environment on Google Cloud</a> Required*	★ <a href="#">Build Infrastructure with Terraform on Google Cloud</a> Required*		★ <a href="#">Optimize Costs for Google Kubernetes Engine</a> Required*
<a href="#">Google Cloud Fundamentals: Core Infrastructure</a>	<a href="#">Essential Google Cloud Infrastructure: Foundation</a>	<a href="#">Essential Google Cloud Infrastructure: Core Services</a>	<b>Speed challenge (<a href="#">Arcade</a>)</b> Earn \$20,000 in GCP credits and swag: Arcade game, speed challenge on Cloud Skill Boost for 7 days. Participation optional*	<a href="#">Elastic Google Cloud Infrastructure: Scaling and Automation</a>

Following weeks on the next page

**Exam Voucher:** You can apply for an exam voucher starting from week 6, after meeting the below criteria:

\*Complete at least 5 (out of 6) Google Cloud skill badges from your learning plan, share your public GCSB profile with us by filling in this [form](#) and **get your exam voucher!** Voucher is awarded based on skill badges completion and the availability.

Last day to submit Voucher form: 05th July, 2024.

Last day to attempt Exam: 15th July, 2024.

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### Exams



### Week 6

Please complete:

★ [Develop your Google Cloud Network](#)

Required\*

### Week 7

Please complete:

★ [Set Up a Google Cloud Network](#)

Required\*

### Week 8

Please complete:

[Reliable Google Cloud Infrastructure: Design and Process](#)

### Week 9

Please review:

**Build exam readiness.**  
Revise materials and session recordings.

### Week 10

Exam prep time:

**Claim your exam voucher and book the exam!\***[Getting Started with Google Kubernetes Engine](#)

→ Get you voucher if you completed already 5 skill badges!

→ Skill badge completion deadline.

→ Please attempt the GCP exam.

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# Program elements



## 10 weeks guided learning program

Starting on 02nd of April, 2024 at 10:00 AM EDT



## Technical mentorship provided by a dedicated trainer in a format of:

- **6 Exam guide review sessions**  
(online live sessions with a technical mentor. Sessions have a predefined content and structure)
- **2 Mentor office hours**  
(online live support sessions with a technical mentor. Participants can join the sessions to receive support and technical guidance.)
- **10 weeks support via Online Community.**



## A dedicated cohort coordinator

Aldana Perazzo

[aldanap@google.com](mailto:aldanap@google.com)

Available Monday till Friday during business hours.



## Exam voucher information

Get your exam voucher by filling this [form](#). Please allow 24-72 hours to receive the voucher (from the request date). Last day to attempt the exam: 15th of July, 2024.









## Learning platforms

**Google Cloud Skills Boost** with access to the on-demand courses and for hands-on labs.

# Program shortcuts

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Program asset	Access via	Content	Link
Online Community via <b>Google Groups</b>	Google Account	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Weekly updates according to learning plans</li><li>• Trainer's support on technical questions</li><li>• Cohort coordinator's support for program questions</li><li>• Additional information about program-related events, news, features etc.</li></ul>	 
Program Folder via <b>Google Drive</b>	Google Account	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Learning plan</li><li>• Session's decks</li><li>• Recordings</li><li>• Other materials</li></ul>	 
On demand training and Hands-on practice via <b>Google Cloud Skills Boost</b>	Company email address	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Google Cloud Skills Boost is an online learning environment along with a set of instructions to walk you through a live, real world, and scenario-based use case. In a lab you have access to the actual environment you want to learn about, not a simulation or demo environment.</li></ul>	 
<b>Google Form</b>	Google Account	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• To grant the access to Google Groups and Google Drive.</li></ul>	