

# APUS Introduces 10 Undergraduate Certificates in Information Technology

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CHARLES TOWN, W.Va., Mar 19, 2010 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- American Public University System (APUS) has introduced 10 undergraduate certificate programs in information technology, designed to improve the knowledge and skills of professionals engaged in computer networking, system security, project management, and Web and applications development. Each of the new IT certificate programs is offered completely online and includes six courses for a total of 18 semester hours, which can be applied to an Associate or Bachelor's degree through its member institutions American Military University and American Public University.

The new APUS certificates address in-demand concepts and techniques appropriate for entry-level and mid-career IT professionals, as well as students engaged in non-technical careers:

- [Computer Systems and Networks](#) - For entry-level IT professionals seeking positions in administration, development and integration, courses in this certificate are aligned with the requirements of A+ and Network+ Certification.
- [Cybercrime Essentials](#) - For students interested in entry to mid-level career positions to counter the explosive growth in the number and scope of computer and technology-related crimes.
- [Enterprise Web Applications using .NET](#) - For students seeking entry-level Web positions such as Web Database Developer, this certificate examines the principles and concepts of Object Oriented Programming (OOP), Visual Basic, ASP and C#.
- [Information Systems Security Essentials](#) - For entry-level IT professionals eager to learn the essential skills in information security domains, including access control, business continuity and *disaster recovery, planning, cryptology and risk management*.
- [Internet Webmaster](#) - For IT professionals seeking a complete understanding of Web site design, internet concepts, networking and Web development fundamentals, the courses in this certificate are aligned with the Certified Internet Webmaster (CIW) certifications.
- [IT Project Management Essentials](#) - For those seeking higher-level career positions such as IT Project Manager, this program focuses on meeting industry needs including the management of costs, time, scope, quality, risk and people.
- [Microsoft Office Applications](#) - This certificate is a study of the concepts and technology trends central to office productivity applications.

- [Visual Basic Application Development](#) - For seekers of entry-level career positions such as Web Database Developer, Visual Basic Developer, and .NET Developer, this certificate will enable graduates to apply and use Object Oriented Programming and Visual Basic.
- [Visual Communications](#) - This certificate introduces students to the principles and practices of image manipulation, enhancement and storage, and examines the design, development and deployment of text and graphics to create dynamic, interactive experiences for web users.
- [Web 2.0](#) - This program provides an overview and introduction to Web 2.0 trends and technologies, including blogs, wikis, social networking and Web development.

"APUS developed these certificate programs to respond to employers' expectations that their technical staff stay on top of the sector's latest developments," said Dan Benjamin, Information Technology Department Chair at APUS. He noted that in its "2010 U.S. Job Forecast," CareerBuilder recently reported that 32% of employers in the IT sector plan to add full-time, permanent employees this year, while one-third of employers overall said they planned to hire IT professionals.

APUS is committed to affordable quality education, with an undergraduate certificate program tuition rate of \$250 per credit hour. For more information on the APUS IT undergraduate certificate programs, call 1-877-777-9081 or visit [APUS's School of Science and Technology](#) on the Web.

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