

Candidate Profile

Prior to my involvement, I had no true IT experience. I had graduated from college burnt out and directionless. Grad school plans had fallen through and I had to find a career I would like.

It seems so obvious in hindsight: I've always felt drawn to computers. With my CCNA little brother, I had been playing with computers and my home network (9 computers and peripherals) for years and troubleshooting my- and my family's computers, though I had never taken a computer course. I had grown up only a few miles from Microsoft's main campus, immersed in Microsoft culture in a Microsoft environment, surrounded by engineer uncles and cousins and friends.

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Profile

Name:

Location:

Katherine D.

Washington

Background

Education:

Experience:

BA

None

Placement

Position:

Company:

Net Engineer

Microsoft Corp.

Prior to enrolling LAN/WAN Engineer program, I was not completely convinced with the training methods. After graduating from the program, I could not possibly be any more satisfied with the quality of the training!

Before graduating from the LAN/WAN Engineer program, I had been working at a small IT Consulting company, and rarely received the opportunity to work with enterprise, cutting-edge technology. Now with my current position (Jr. Network Engineer), I am working with advanced enterprise technology all the time. I am also making more than double that of my last job!

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Profile

Name:

Location:

Morgan S.

Ohio

Background

Education:

Experience:

AS

0-1 Years

Placement

Position:

Company:

Net Engineer

Tripractix.

Placement/professional training/mentoring - I've always known that I have the ability to do these kinds of jobs, but I had no idea how to get myself into the position. The professional mentoring from Eric, Ray, Patrick, and Kristopher was invaluable in that it allowed me to present and conduct myself in a professional manner. Whether on my resume, on an interview, or when negotiating salary, the tools given to me in this program have been invaluable to me.

Certifications and technical training - The materials provided to me for certification exam prep were exactly what I needed in order to understand the material and pass the exams, but the hands-on labs and training camp gave me the confidence that I can back up the certifications in a real live environment.

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Name:

Location:

Sam M.

Texas

Background

Education:

Experience:

AS

0-1 Years

Placement

Position:

Company:

Sys Engineer

Prolient Group

I recently began work as a Systems Administrator after I finished my training. The services provided included hands-on training in Microsoft system engineering and administration. Also, they provided very good training and insight in achieving a successful career in IT. Patrick Price, the Professional Services Manager, acted as a career coach and helped boost my confidence for job interviews tremendously. The program is a fast-track to upgrading your career in IT; therefore, it does require that you be committed to working hard. In other words, if you're willing to put in the effort, then you'll definitely be able to increase your income and satisfaction at work.

Profile

Name:

Location:

Sammuel P.

South Carolina

Background

Education:

Experience:

BS

0-1 Years

Placement

Position:

Company:

Sys Admin

SAIC

I have just recently returned from the 2 week camp. I have to say I have learned so much, not only from the camp, but during stage 1 and 2 of my training. I knew almost nothing about routers before their training. Now I am very comfortable programming Cisco routers and switches, its amazing. I have also greatly expanded my knowledge of Microsoft Sever 2003 and Exchange 2003 to where I would say I am an expert now. They got me certified, they stressed many hours of hands on experience needed for the real world.

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Profile

Name:

Location:

Kirk C.

Florida

Background

Education:

Experience:

MBA

10+ Years

Placement

Position:

Company:

IT Manager

Brite Smile

As a recent candidate and graduate, I can definitely say it was a great experience where I greatly advanced my technical and professional skills and I am much more confident in walking straight into a job as a network engineer where I know I can perform well.

The staff and the environment were amazing and fun yet professional at the same time, we had our long nights of study and our fun days outside.

They have a new and very effective approach to train and educate the candidates to become professional network engineers and also gain important skills in resume writing and interviewing. The company is great and has a very high potential to excel.

Profile

Name:

Location:

Ahmad A.

Arizona

Background

Education:

Experience:

BS

0-1 Years

Placement

Position:

Company:

Field Engineer

Schlumberger

First of all I want to thank everyone. I enjoyed my training and the time I spent with the whole group. I have been waiting to hear back on the online books so that I could start using them. I have yet to hear back from anyone concerning the usage. I hope you would be able to assist me in my efforts.

My career prior to the program - My career was actually in a stale mate. In that, I was missing the drive along with a few advanced certificates which kept me away from filling the positions I had done in the past. They brought back the drive and guided me in my efforts to achieve the needed certificates to obtain the position I desired.

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Name:

Location:

David B.

Illinois

Background

Education:

Experience:

BS

10+

Placement

Position:

Company:

Infra Specialist

Jim Bean Brands