CompTIA Tech+

Learning Products Comparison

CompTIA eLearning solutions offer a wide range of interactive, hands-on resources designed to develop job-ready skills and boost candidates' confidence for a successful career in technology. Training developed by CompTIA caters to various learning styles and timelines, ensuring a comprehensive understanding of the subject matter.

CompTIA Tech+ (FC0-U71) learning products introduce candidates to the foundational knowledge and technical skills necessary to understand, utilize, and troubleshoot today's technology. This certification is an upgrade from CompTIA ITF+ (FC0-U61) and TestOut IT Fundamentals Pro, focusing more on practical, hands-on skills in computing, IT infrastructure, cybersecurity, and emerging technology.

Highlights

- CompTIA Tech+ (FC0-U71) learning products feature an enhanced course structure and learning design model, aiming for greater consistency in the learning experience. This approach improves information retention and skills development compared to CompTIA ITF+ (FC0-U61).
- Integral to the CompTIA Tech+ suite, **CertMaster Learn** offers instructional lessons with embedded videos and interactive simulations for hands-on learning, enhancing concept understanding. **CertMaster Practice** complements this with a wide range of practice questions and assessments, helping learners gauge their readiness and focus on areas needing improvement. These resources are designed to prepare candidates thoroughly for the certification exam.
- Unlike expensive and time-consuming physical labs, CompTIA Tech+ introduces a variety of interactive simulations, providing **practical experience** in understanding, setting up, and troubleshooting everyday technology issues. This simulation-based approach marks a significant advancement from CompTIA ITF+'s more theoretical focus.
- CompTIA Tech+ offers **more assessment opportunities** than CompTIA ITF+, ensuring candidates are well-prepared for the Tech+ certification exam.

Consistent with CompTIA's vision for learning products, CompTIA Tech+ (FC0-U71) offers a quality learning experience informed by industry and subject matter experts and defined by a focus on the acquisition of skills aligned with essential technology competencies. The product is also designed to promote demonstratable evidence of learning via hands-on simulations using real-world scenarios and summative assessments.

Completing training available through Tech+ learning products and earning a CompTIA Tech+ (FC0-U71) certification prepares candidates for success in tech-related careers in a wide variety of industries, such as business, healthcare, agriculture, gaming, and IT.

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The following table compares learning products from CompTIA and TestOut.

CERTIFICATION	COMPTIA TECH+ FC0-U71	COMPTIA ITF+ FC0-U61	TESTOUT IT FUNDAMENTALS PRO
Status	General Availability: September 2024	Launched 2018. Retires Summer 2025	Launched 2019. Retires Summer 2025
Learning Platform	CertMaster (New with LabSim features)	CertMaster (legacy)	CertMaster (formally LabSim)
Instructional Lessons	**CertMaster Learn:** Enhances the learning experience with instructional lessons, embedded videos, practice questions, and interactive simulations aligned with exam objectives.	**CertMaster Learn:** Includes instructional lessons, videos, and practice questions for a foundational understanding of IT concepts.	Offers knowledge and skills development through interactive video lessons, text lessons, and lab simulations.
Interactive Simulations	**CertMaster Learn:** Features hands-on activities in simulated environments, allowing practice with configuring equipment and troubleshooting.	Not Applicable	Provides interactive lab simulations for practical skills application.
Simulation Tools	**CertMaster Learn:** Introduces the Network Modeler, a graphical tool for practical experience in network configurations and troubleshooting.	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Assessment and Feedback	**CertMaster Practice:** Provides adaptive assessments that quickly assess what learners already know and what they still need to learn. Where more support is needed, personalized feedback is provided. Includes a practice test for exam readiness.	**CertMaster Practice:** Adaptive question-first design for knowledge assessment, personalized remediation, and feedback.	Assessments include quizzes and gradable lab activities intermixed throughout the course.
Learning Outcomes	Provides a comprehensive eLearning solution that prepares candidates to verify their essential technology skills with updated content and simulations to prepare for the CompTIA Tech+ FC0-U71 certification exam.	Provides a foundational understanding of IT concepts and practices and prepares for the CompTIA ITF+ FC0-U61 certification exam.	Delivers a learning experience aimed at practical skills acquisition and prepares for the CompTIA ITF+ FC0-U61 certification exam.

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