



Length: 35 Hours (5 days)

Introduction: This hands-on training course explores installation, configuration, and management of VMware vSphere®, which consists of VMware ESXi™ and VMware® vCenter Server™. This course is based on versions of ESXi 5.5 and vCenter Server 5.5. Completion of this course satisfies the prerequisite for taking the VMware® Certified Professional 5 exam.

Prerequisites: In addition to their professional experience, students who attend should have the following technical knowledge:

- System administration experience on Microsoft Windows or Linux operating systems
- Understanding of concepts presented in the VMware Data Center Virtualization Fundamentals course for VCA-DCV certification

Objectives: At the end of the course, students will be able to:

- Deploy an ESXi host
- Deploy a vCenter Server instance
- Deploy a vCenter Server appliance
- Manage an ESXi host using vCenter Server
- Manage ESXi storage using vCenter Server
- Manage ESXi networking using vCenter Server
- Manage virtual machines using vCenter Server
- Deploy and manage thin-provisioned virtual machines
- Migrate virtual machines with VMware vSphere® vMotion®
- Manage vSphere infrastructure with VMware vSphere® Web Client and VMware vSphere® Client™
- Migrate virtual machines using VMware vSphere® Storage vMotion®
- Manage access control using vCenter Server
- Monitor resource usage using vCenter Server
- Manage VMware vSphere® High Availability, VMware vSphere® Fault Tolerance, and VMware vSphere® Data Protection™ using vCenter Server
- Apply patches using VMware vSphere® Update Manager™

Course Outline

I. Virtualized Data Center

- Introduce components of the virtualized data center
- Describe where vSphere fits into the cloud architecture
- Introduce VMware® vCenter™ Single Sign-On™
- Install and use vSphere Web Client

II. Creating Virtual Machines

- Introduce virtual machines, virtual machine hardware, and virtual machine files
- Deploy a single virtual machine



III. VMware vCenter Server

- A. Introduce the vCenter Server architecture
- B. Introduce VMware® vCenter™ Server Appliance™
- C. Configure and manage vCenter Server Appliance
- D. Manage vCenter Server inventory objects and licenses

IV. Configuring and Managing Virtual Networks

- A. Describe, create, and manage a standard switch
- B. Describe and modify standard switch properties
- C. Configure virtual switch load-balancing algorithms

V. Configuring and Managing Virtual Storage

- A. Introduce storage protocols and device names
- B. Configure ESXi with iSCSI, NFS, and Fibre Channel storage
- C. Create and manage vSphere datastores
- D. Deploy and manage VMware® Virtual SAN™

VI. Virtual Machine Management

- A. Use templates and cloning to deploy virtual machines
- B. Modify and manage virtual machines
- C. Create and manage virtual machine snapshots
- D. Perform vSphere vMotion and vSphere Storage vMotion migrations
- E. Create a VMware vSphere® vApp™

VII. Access and Authentication Control

- A. Control user access through roles and permissions
- B. Configure and manage the ESXi firewall
- C. Configure ESXi lockdown mode
- D. Integrate ESXi with Active Directory

VIII. Resource Management and Monitoring

- A. Introduce virtual CPU and memory concepts
- B. Describe methods for optimizing CPU and memory usage
- C. Configure and manage resource pools
- D. Monitor resource usage using vCenter Server performance graphs and alarms

IX. High Availability and Fault Tolerance

- A. Introduce the new vSphere High Availability architecture
- B. Configure and manage a vSphere HA cluster
- C. Introduce vSphere Fault Tolerance
- D. Describe VMware vSphere® Replication

X. Scalability

- A. Configure and manage a VMware vSphere® Distributed Resource Scheduler™ (DRS) cluster
- B. Configure Enhanced vMotion Compatibility
- C. Use vSphere HA and DRS together

XI. Patch Management

- A. Use vSphere Update Manager to manage ESXi patching
- B. Install vSphere Update Manager and the vSphere Update Manager plug-in
- C. Create patch baselines
- D. Scan and remediate hosts

XII. Installing VMware Components

- A. Introduce ESXi installation
- B. Describe boot-from-SAN requirements
- C. Introduce vCenter Server deployment options
- D. Describe vCenter Server hardware, software, and database requirements
- E. Install vCenter Server (Windows-based)