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Microsoft Certified Professional.

By passing any of the exams listed on this chart* you will earn a Microsoft Certified Professional certification. This puts you on a path toward earning a higher-level certification, such as MCSA, MCSE or MCSD.

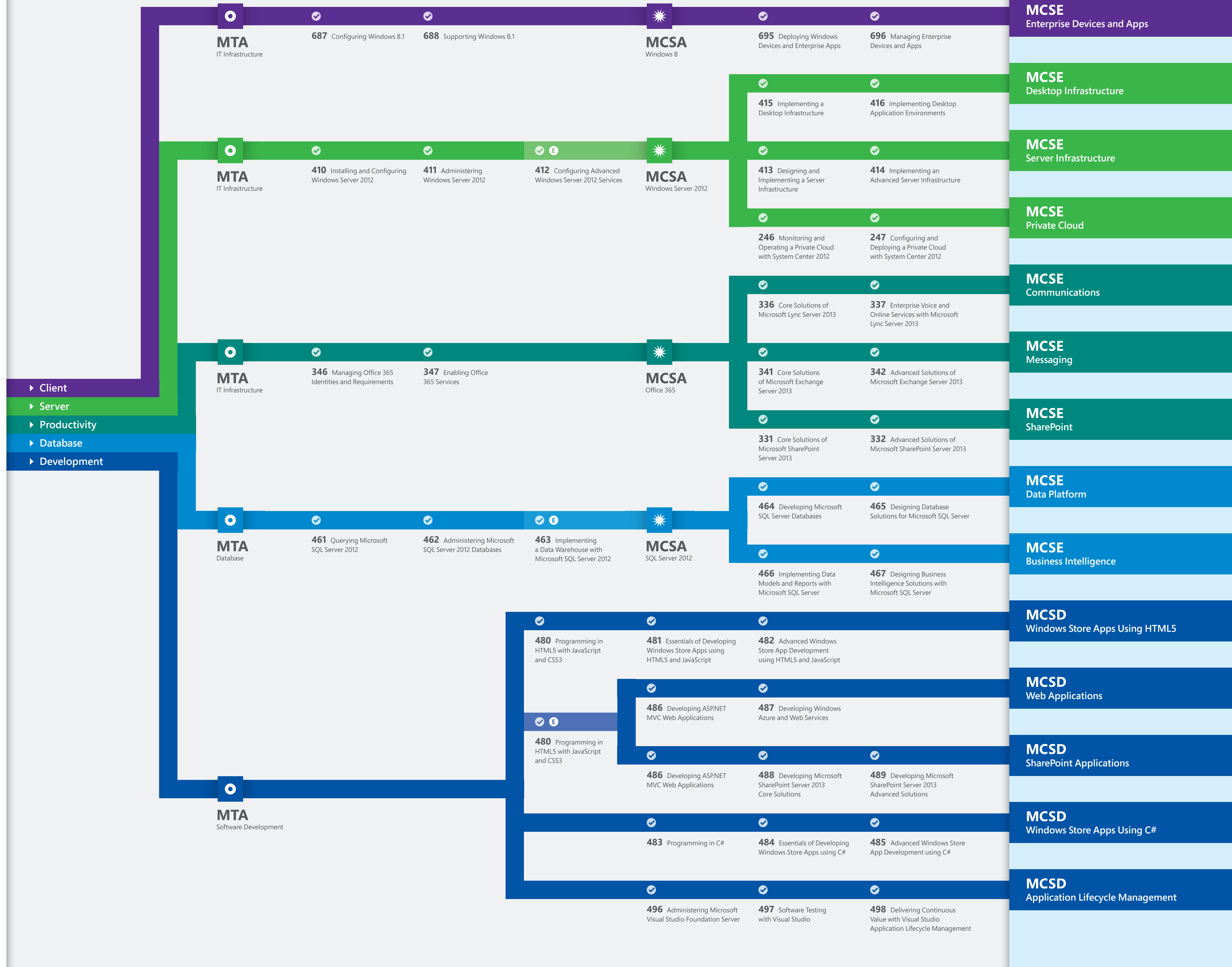*MTA exams do not qualify for Microsoft Certified Professional certification.

Azure Specialist Exams.

Microsoft Azure provides cloud services with best-in-class flexibility, security and reliability to more than half of all Fortune 500 companies. Azure's increasing popularity is generating demand for top-notch technologists who can deliver its full spectrum of benefits. If you're already experienced with Azure, you can expand your skills to meet future business needs with three Specialist certifications. Couple one (or more) of these Azure specialties to an existing developer, IT professional, or database professional certification or let your Azure specialty stand on its own.

Exam 532: Developing Microsoft Azure Solutions
Exam 533: Implementing Microsoft Azure Infrastructure Solutions
Exam 534: Architecting Microsoft Azure Solutions

Microsoft Technology Associate
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Microsoft Certified Solutions Associate
MCSA certification validates core skills and is required to achieve MCSE certification.

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Path legend

▸ Client
▸ Server
▸ Productivity
▸ Database
▸ Development

MTA — IT Infrastructure (Client)

687 Configuring Windows 8.1
688 Supporting Windows 8.1

MCSA Windows 8
695 Deploying Windows Devices and Enterprise Apps
696 Managing Enterprise Devices and Apps

415 Implementing a Desktop Infrastructure
416 Implementing Desktop Application Environments

MTA — IT Infrastructure (Server)

410 Installing and Configuring Windows Server 2012
411 Administering Windows Server 2012
412 Configuring Advanced Windows Server 2012 Services

MCSA Windows Server 2012
413 Designing and Implementing a Server Infrastructure
414 Implementing an Advanced Server Infrastructure

246 Monitoring and Operating a Private Cloud with System Center 2012
247 Configuring and Deploying a Private Cloud with System Center 2012

336 Core Solutions of Microsoft Lync Server 2013
337 Enterprise Voice and Online Services with Microsoft Lync Server 2013

MTA — IT Infrastructure (Productivity)

346 Managing Office 365 Identities and Requirements
347 Enabling Office 365 Services

MCSA Office 365
341 Core Solutions of Microsoft Exchange Server 2013
342 Advanced Solutions of Microsoft Exchange Server 2013

331 Core Solutions of Microsoft SharePoint Server 2013
332 Advanced Solutions of Microsoft SharePoint Server 2013

MTA — Database

461 Querying Microsoft SQL Server 2012
462 Administering Microsoft SQL Server 2012 Databases
463 Implementing a Data Warehouse with Microsoft SQL Server 2012

MCSA SQL Server 2012
464 Developing Microsoft SQL Server Databases
465 Designing Database Solutions for Microsoft SQL Server

466 Implementing Data Models and Reports with Microsoft SQL Server
467 Designing Business Intelligence Solutions with Microsoft SQL Server

MTA — Software Development

480 Programming in HTML5 with JavaScript and CSS3
481 Essentials of Developing Windows Store Apps using HTML5 and JavaScript
482 Advanced Windows Store App Development using HTML5 and JavaScript

486 Developing ASP.NET MVC Web Applications
487 Developing Windows Azure and Web Services

480 Programming in HTML5 with JavaScript and CSS3

486 Developing ASP.NET MVC Web Applications
488 Developing Microsoft SharePoint Server 2013 Core Solutions
489 Developing Microsoft SharePoint Server 2013 Advanced Solutions

483 Programming in C#
484 Essentials of Developing Windows Store Apps using C#
485 Advanced Windows Store App Development using C#

496 Administering Microsoft Visual Studio Foundation Server
497 Software Testing with Visual Studio
498 Delivering Continuous Value with Visual Studio Application Lifecycle Management

Certification Destinations:

MCSE Enterprise Devices and Apps

MCSE Desktop Infrastructure

MCSE Server Infrastructure

MCSE Private Cloud

MCSE Communications

MCSE Messaging

MCSE SharePoint

MCSE Data Platform

MCSE Business Intelligence

MCSD Windows Store Apps Using HTML5

MCSD Web Applications

MCSD SharePoint Applications

MCSD Windows Store Apps Using C#

MCSD Application Lifecycle Management