

CCSO - Certified Cloud Security Officer

Course Overview

This course will teach students about Cloud Security. Topics covered include cloud risks, legal implications, data center operations, incident response, application security, and more.

Chapter 1 - Introduction to Cloud Computing and Architectural Concepts

2h 2m

Course Introduction

Introduction to Cloud Computing and Architectural Concepts

Where are we?

What are we covering?

Section 1: Cloud Computing Terminology

Key Cloud Computing Terminology

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Terminology Mapped to the Cloud

Other Terms

Section 2: Cloud Computing Definition

Cloud Computing Defined

NIST Five Essential Characteristics

NIST Three Service Models

SaaS Pros and Cons

PaaS Pros and Cons

IaaS Pros and Cons

NIST Four Deployment Models

Cloud Computing Characteristics

Section 3: Cloud Computing Benefits

Why move to the Cloud?

Cost Benefit Analysis

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ROI Calculation

TCO Calculation

Ease of Deployment – Security Risks

Introductory Security Risks and Benefits

Section 4: Cloud Computing Reference Model

Cloud Computing Architecture

Potential Pitfalls and Confusion

Cloud Computing Deployment Models

Jericho Cloud Cube Model

Example of Service Model Mapped to Controls

Section 5: What is Security for the Cloud

The Security Impact of Cloud Architecture

Where is the security added?

Cloud Technology Road Map

Cloud Technology Road Map
NIST Cloud Technology Road Map
Cloud Cross-Cutting Aspects
Architecture Overview
Business Security Architecture
Business Security Architecture
Business Security Architecture
Jericho Key Principles (11 Commandments)
Jericho Key Principles (11 Commandments)
ENISA - Cloud Computing Guidance
Questions

Chapter 2 - Cloud Risks

1h 17m

Cloud Risks
Course Outline
What are we covering?
Section 1: Cloud Migration Security Evaluation
Challenges in Decision Making Process of Moving to the Cloud
Quick Method for Evaluation
Evaluate the Asset
Map the Asset to Cloud
Finalizing the Decision
Section 2: ENISA Risk Evaluation
ENISA – Cloud Computing Security Risk Assessment
ENISA – Top Security Benefits
ENISA – Top Security Benefits
Probability vs. Impact of Identified Risks
ENISA – Top Security Risks
Top Risks No. 1
Top Risks No. 2
Top Risks No. 3
Top Risks No. 9
Top Risks No. 10
Top Risks No. 21
Top Risks No. 22
Top Risks No. 23
Top Risks No. 26
Assets
Section 3: Cloud Controls Matrix
Cloud Controls Matrix (CCM)
The Control Domains
Example
Example Continued
Section 4: Relevant CCM Controls
TVM-01 – Anti-Virus / Malicious Software
TVM-02 – Vulnerability and Patch Management
TVM-03 – Mobile Code
Questions

Chapter 3 - ERM and Governance

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ERM and Governance

What are we covering?

Section 1: Application of Governance and Risk Management to the Cloud

Corporate Governance

Corporate Governance

Customer Expectations

Four Areas Impacted

Tools of the Trade

Who is responsible? Not Accountable!

Cloud Computing Governance Resources

Information/Data Governance Types

Enterprise Risk Management

Risk Response in the Cloud

Where do we start?

Must do items

Section 2: Importance of the SLA

Contracts/SLAs

Contracts/SLAs: Change Your Thinking

Important SLA Components

Metrics for Risk Management/Service Level Agreement (SLA)

Section 3: CCM Relevant Controls

GRM-01 – Baseline Requirements

GRM-02 – Data Focus Risk Assessments

GRM-03 – Management Oversight

GRM-04 – Management Program

GRM-05 – Management Support/Involvement

GRM-06 – Policy

GRM-07 – Policy Enforcement

GRM-08 – Policy Impact on Risk Assessments

GRM-09 – Policy Reviews

GRM-10 – Risk Assessments

GRM-11 – Risk Management Framework

Questions

Chapter 4 - Legal Implications

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Legal Implications

Course Outline

What are we covering?

Section 1: Understanding Unique Risks in the Cloud

Understand Legal Requirements & Unique Risks Within the Cloud Environment

Section 2: International Legislation and Potential Conflicts

International Legislation Conflicts

International Legislation Conflicts

GDPR

International Legislation Conflicts

International Legislation Conflicts

Appraisal of Legal Risks Specific to Cloud Computing

Legal Controls

Section 3: eDiscovery

eDiscovery
Special Issues
Special Issues
eDiscovery
Forensics Requirements
Section 4: Contract Considerations
Contract Considerations
Contractual & Regulated PII: The Differences
Contractual & Regulated PII: The Differences
Contractual & Regulated PII: The Similarities
Country-specific Legislation Related to PII/Data Privacy/Data Protection
Section 5: Relevant CCM Controls
SEF-01 – Contract / Authority Maintenance
Questions

Chapter 5 - Virtualization and Technical Design

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Virtualization and Technical Design
Course Outline
What are we covering?
Section 1: Virtualization Principles
Virtualization Definition
How Does Virtualization Work?
What is a Virtual Machine (VM)?
What is a Hypervisor?
Type 1 and Type 2 Hypervisors
Virtualization Layer
CPU Hardware Virtualization
Section 2: Key Components Mapped to Cloud Layer
vSphere 6.x Virtual Switches
VMware vSwitch Terminology
Storage Terminology
Overview of Virtual Appliances
Clones and Templates
Customization Specifications Manager
vSphere Content Libraries
VM Snapshots
vMotion – Hot Migration
Storage vMotion
Distributed Resource Scheduler Overview
Distributed Power Management (DPM)
VM Swapfile Location
Host Profiles Overview
Storage DRS (SDRS) Overview
Profile Driven Storage Overview
VSAN Architecture
Resource Pools Overview
High Availability Overview
Fault Tolerance
Section 3: Key Security Concerns
Virtualization Risks and Challenges

Network Security and Perimeter
Virtualization Security
Common Architecture Concerns
vSphere Hardening Guide
Section 4: Other Technologies Used in the Cloud
Network Security
Network and Communications in the Cloud
Cloud Networking - VXLAN
Section 5: The Layers
Logical Design Considerations
Physical, Virtual and vCloud Layers
Software-Defined Data Center (SDDC) - Components
SDDC – Physical Configuration
SDDC – vCenter Cluster Layout
SDDC – The Big Ugly Picture
SDDC – The Big Ugly Picture but not as bad!
Section 6: Relevant CCM Controls
IVS-01 – Audit Logging / Intrusion Detection
IVS-02 – Change Detection
IVS-03 – Clock Synchronization
IVS-04 – Information System Documentation
IVS-05 – Vulnerability Management
IVS-06 – Network Security
IVS-07 – OS Hardening and Base Controls
IVS-08 – Production / Non-Production Environments
IVS-09 – Segmentation
IVS-10 – VM Security – Data Protection
IVS-11 – Hypervisor Hardening
IVS-12 – Wireless Security
IVS-13 – Network Architecture
Questions

Chapter 6 - Managing Information and Securing Data

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Managing Information and Securing Data
Course Outline
What are we covering?
Section 1: Cloud/Data Life Cycle
Data Security Lifecycle
Locations and Access
Functions, Actors, and Controls
Section 2: Data Security Architectures and Strategies
Pillars of Functionality
Storage Types IaaS
Storage Types PaaS
Storage Types SaaS
Top Threats to Storage
Technologies available to address the threats
Data Dispersion
Data Loss Prevention (DLP)
Data Loss Prevention (DLP)

Data Loss Prevention (DLP)
Encryption
Encryption Challenges
Encryption Architecture
IaaS Data Encryption
IaaS Data Encryption
Database Encryption
Database Encryption
Encryption Review
Key Management
Key Management Considerations
Storing keys in the cloud
Data Masking/Obfuscation
Data Anonymization
Tokenization
Data Security Strategies
Emerging Technologies
Section 3: Data Discovery and Classification
Data Discovery
Data Discovery
Data Discovery
Data Classification
Data Classification Categories
Cloud Data Challenges
Section 4: Jurisdictional Data Protection for Personally Identifiable Information (PII)
Terms
Implementation of Data Discovery
Main Input Entities
Privacy Level Agreement
Controls for PII
Typical Security Measures
Section 5: Data/Information Rights Management
Data Rights Management
Information Rights Management
IRM Cloud Difficulties
IRM Solutions
Section 6: Data Retention, Deletion, and Archival Policies
Data Protection Policies
Data Retention Policies
Data Deletion
Data Archiving
Section 7: Accountability of Data Events
SaaS Potential Event Sources
PaaS Potential Event Sources
IaaS Potential Event Sources
Data Event Logging and Event Attributes
What to do with data events?
Security Information and Event Management
Supporting Continuous Operations
Section 8: Relevant CCM Controls

DSI-01 – Management Classification
DSI-02 – Data Inventory Flows
DSI-03 – eCommerce Transactions
DSI-04 – Handling / Labeling / Security Policy
DSI-05 – Non-Production Data
DSI-06 – Ownership / Stewardship
DSI-07 – Secure Disposal
Questions

Chapter 7 - Data Center Operations

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Data Center Operations
Course Outline
What are we covering?
Section 1: The Logical Infastructure
Logical Infastructure Design Notes
Secure Configuration of Hardware Requirements
Secure Network Configuration
Hardening OS and Apps
Availability of Guest OS
Managing the Logical Infrastructure
IT Service Management (ITSM)
Information Security Management
Configuration Management Process
Configuration, Change and Availability Management
Shadow IT
Change Management Objectives
Change Management Policies and Procedures
Problem Management
Release and Deployment Management Objectives
Release and Deployment Management
Service Level Management
Other Management areas
Section 2: Manage Communications with all Parties
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Vendors
Customers
Partners
Section 3: Relevant CCM Controls
CCC-01 – New Development / Acquisition
CCC-02 – Outsourced Development
CCC-03 – Quality Testing
CCC-04 – Unauthorized Software Installations
CCC-05 – Production Changes
HRS-01 – Asset Returns
HRS-02 – Background Screening
HRS-03 – Employment Agreements
HRS-04 – Employment Terminations
HRS-05 – Mobile Device Management
HRS-06 – Non-Disclosure Agreements
HRS-07 – Roles / Responsibilities

HRS-08 – Technology Acceptable Use
HRS-09 – Training Awareness
HRS-10 – User Responsibility
HRS-11 – Workspace
STA-01 – Data Quality and Integrity
STA-02 – Incident Reporting
STA-03 – Network / Infrastructure Services
STA-04 – Provider Internal Assessments
STA-05 – Supply Chain Agreements
STA-06 – Supply Chain Governance Reviews
STA-07 – Supply Chain Metrics
STA-08 – Third Party Assessment
STA-09 – Third Party Audits
Questions

Chapter 8 - Interoperability and Portability

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Interoperability and Portability
Course Outline
What are we covering?
Section 1: Interoperability
Interoperability
Reason a change may happen
Why is this important
Example
Recommendations
Recommendations
Recommendations
Section 2: Portability
Portability
Interoperability and Portability Helps to Mitigate
Golden Rule
Basic Recommendations
Basic Recommendations
IaaS Recommendations
IaaS Recommendations
IaaS Recommendations
PaaS Recommendations
PaaS Recommendations
SaaS Recommendations
SaaS Recommendations
Private Cloud Recommendations
Public Cloud Recommendations
Hybrid Cloud Recommendations
Section 3: Relevant CCM Controls
IPY-01 – API's
IPY-02 – Data Request
IPY-03 – Policy and Legal
IPY-04 – Standardized Network Protocols
IPY-05 – Virtualization
Questions

Chapter 9 - Traditional Security

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Traditional Security

Course Outline

What are we covering?

Section 1: The Physical Environment

Physical Environment

Physically. What does one of these beasts look like?

Major Factors in building a great datacenter

Google's Top 10

Datacenter Design

Network and Communications in the Cloud

Compute

Storage

Physical and Environmental Controls

Protecting Datacenter Facilities

System and Communication Protections

Section 2: Planning Process for the Data Center Design

Support the Planning

Physical Design Considerations

DC Design Standards

Tier Standard Review

Tiered Model Summary

Environmental Design

Environmental Design

Design Considerations

Multi-Vendor Pathway Connectivity (MVPC)

Section 3: Implement and Build Physical Infrastructure

Enterprise Operations

Security Requirements for Hardware

Oversubscription

iSCSI Implementation Considerations

Section 4: Typical Security for the Datacenter Components

Access Controls

Access Control (KVM)

Access Controls

Securing Network Configurations

OS Hardening

Everything about the OS

Stand-alone Host Availability Considerations

Availability of Clustered Hosts

Clustered Storage Architectures

Performance Monitoring

Redundant System Architecture

Backup and Restore of Hosts?

Log Management Recommendations

Log Management

Management Planning Includes

Business Continuity & Disaster Recovery

Business Continuity Elements

Section 5: Relevant CCM Controls

DCS-01 – Asset Management
DCS-02 – Controlled Access Points
DCS-03 – Equipment Identification
DCS-04 – Off-Site Authorization
DCS-05 – Off-Site Equipment
DCS-06 – Policy
DCS-07 – Secure Area Authorization
DCS-08 – Unauthorized Persons Entry
DCS-09 – User Access
Questions

Chapter 10 - BCM and DR

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BCM and DR
Course Outline
What are we covering?
Section 1: Disaster Recovery and Business Continuity Management
The Business Continuity Management Concept
BCM Lifecycle
Business Continuity Disaster Recovery
BCDR Relevant Cloud Characteristics
Business Impact Analysis
BCDR Requirements
BCDR Risks Requiring Protection
BCDR Strategy Risks
BCDR Strategies
Creating the BCDR Plan
Planning, Testing and Review
Section 2: Examples
Virtualization Pass Through
Backup and DR Software
Section 3: Relevant CCM Controls
BCR-01 – Business Continuity Planning
BCR-02 – Business Continuity Testing
BCR-03 – Datacenter / Utilities Environmental Conditions
BCR-04 – Operational Resilience Documentation
BCR-05 – Environmental Risks
BCR-06 – Equipment Location
BCR-07 – Equipment Maintenance
BCR-08 – Equipment Power Failures
BCR-09 – Impact Analysis
BCR-10 – Policy
BCR-11 – Retention Policy
Questions

Chapter 11 - Incident Response

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Incident Response
Course Outline
What are we covering?
Section 1: Incident Management
Incident Management

Incident Management Plan
Incident Classification
Security Events
Logs
Alerts
What is an Incident?
Security Incident
Indication of Compromise
What is Incident Handling?
Difference between IH and IR
Difference between IH and IR
Difference between IH and IR
Common Tools
IPS vs WAF
SOC
Six Step Approach to Incident Handling
Section 2: Forensics
Cloud Forensics Challenges
Methodology for Forensics
Access to Data by Service Model
Forensic Readiness Considerations
Items to consider when collecting evidence
Section 3: Relevant CCM Controls
SEF-01 – Contract / Authority Maintenance
SEF-02 – Incident Management
SEF-03 – Incident Reporting
SEF-04 – Legal Preparation
SEF-05 – Incident Response Metrics
Questions

Chapter 12 - Application Security

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Application Security
Course Outline
What are we covering?
Section 1: Components affecting Security
Web Application Security
Application Basics
Application Programming Interface (API)
WS-* Features Web Services
Common Pitfalls
Encryption Dependencies
Section 2: Software Development Life Cycle (SDLC)
Software Development Lifecycle (SDLC)
Secure Software Development Lifecycle
S-SDLC
Software Development Lifecycle
Project Initiation
Requirements Phase
Requirements Phase
Secure Design

Secure Design
Development
Development
Unit Testing
Testing
Production Implementation
Software Development Lifecycle (SDLC)
Summary
Section 3: Vulnerabilities, Threats and Risks
OWASP Top 10
A1 – Injection
A2 – Broken Authentication
A3 – Sensitive Data Exposure
A4 – XML External Entities (XXE)
A5 – Broken Access Control
A6 – Security Misconfiguration
A7 – Cross-Site Scripting
A8 – Insecure Deserialization
A9 – Using Components with Known Vulnerabilities
A10 – Insufficient Logging and Monitoring
Cloud Specific Risks
STRIDE Threat Model
Recommendations
Section 4: Identity and Access Management (IAM)
Identity and Access Management
Federated Identity Management
Security Assertion Markup Language 2.0 (SAML 2.0)
SAML Assertion
SAML Assertion Child Elements
SAML Protocols
SAML Bindings
Open ID Connect (OIDC)
OIDC Flows
OIDC Flow Comparison
JSON Web Tokens Best Practices
Which Federated Identity System to use?
Multi-Factor Authentication
Identities and Attributes
Examples
Identity Management
Section 5: Software Assurance and Validation
Assurance, Verification, and Validation
Handling of Data
ISO/IEC 27034-1
Organization Normative Framework (ONF)
Frameworks
Application Security Testing
Questions

Chapter 13 - Encryption and Key Management

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Encryption and Key Management

Course Outline

What are we covering?

Section 1: Review from other chapters

You are the teacher now!

Cryptography

Encryption / Data Protection

Encryption & Key Management

Emerging Technologies

Section 2: Key Management in today's cloud services

Key Management Interoperability Protocol (KMIP)

KMIP

Vendors offering KMIP

Vendors that support KMIP

Cloud Access Security Broker (CASB)

Hardware Security Module (HSM)

Section 3: Recommendations

General Recommendations

Recommendations – Encryption with Databases

Section 4: Relevant CCM Controls

EKM-01 – Entitlement

EKM-02 – Key Generation

EKM-03 – Sensitive Data Protection

EKM-04 – Storage and Access

Questions

Chapter 14 - Identity, Entitlement and Access Management

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Identity, Entitlement and Access Management

Course Outline

What are we covering?

Section 1: Introduction to Identity and Access Management

Terms Used

Terms Used

Identity and Access Management

Identity, Entitlement, & Access Management

Key points to consider

Identity Architecture Differences

Identity Architecture Differences

Generic Example

Identity Federation

General Usage of Federation

Section 2: Identities and Attributes

Provisioning

Examples of Identities and Attributes

Potential Decision Making Process

Identity and the Attribute

Entitlement Process

Automated Approaches

Interpretation Locations

Authorization and Access Management
Section 3: Options for Architectures
Hub and Spoke Model
Mesh or Free Form Model
Free Form Model
Hybrid Model
Bridge or Federation Hub
Provisioning Accounts
Identity and Attribute Provisioning
Section 4: The Identity
Identity and Data Protection
Consumerization Challenge
Section 6: Relevant CCM Controls
IAM-01 – Audit Tools Access
IAM-02 – Credential Lifecycle / Provision Management
IAM-02 – Continued
IAM-02 – Continued
IAM-03 – Diagnostic /Configuration Port Access
IAM-04 – Policies and Procedures
IAM-05 – Segregation of Duties
IAM-06 – Source Code Access Restriction
IAM-07 – Third Party Access
IAM-08 – Trusted Sources
IAM-09 – User Access Authorization
IAM-10 – User Access Reviews
IAM-11 – User Access Revocation
IAM-12 – User ID-Credentials
IAM-13 – Utility Programs Access
Questions

Chapter 15 - Auditing and Compliance

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Auditing and Compliance
Course Outline
What are we covering?
Section 1: Compliance and Audit Cloud Issues
GRC Value Ecosystem
Assurance by CSP
Assurance by CSP – Assurance Frameworks
Assurance Challenges of Virtualization and Cloud
Assurance Challenges of Virtualization and Cloud
Assurance Challenges of Virtualization and Cloud
Assurance Challenges of Virtualization and Cloud
Policies
Policies
Risk Audit Mechanisms
Section 2: Assurance Frameworks
Assurance by CSP – Assurance Frameworks
Certification Against Criteria
Assurance Frameworks – ISO 2700X
ISO/IEC 27001 Domains

Assurance Frameworks – AICPA SOC 1
SOC II and SOC III
Assurance Frameworks – NIST SP 800-53
PCI-DSS Merchant Level
PCI-DSS 12 Requirements
PCI-DSS 12 Requirements
Assurance Frameworks – COBIT
Assurance Frameworks – AICPA/CICA Trust Services
Assurance Frameworks – Cloud Security Matrix
Assurance Frameworks – FedRamp
NIST SP 800-144
NIST SP 800-144 – Preliminary Activities
NIST SP 800-144 – Initiating & Coincident Activities
NIST SP 800-144 – Concluding Activities
Assurance Frameworks – HITRUST
Assurance Frameworks – BITS
Assurance Frameworks – Jericho SAS
System/Subsystem Product Certification
Common Criteria Protection Profiles (PP)
Section 3: The Audit
Cloud Audit Goals
Impact of Requirements Programs by the Use of Cloud
Types of Audit Reports
Types of Audit Reports
Restrictions of Audit Scope
Gap Analysis
Standards Requirements (ISO/IEC 27018, GAPP)
Internal ISMS
Internal Information Security Control System ISO 27002:2013
Cloud Computing Audit Characteristics
Internal and External Audit Controls
Internal and External Audit Controls
Planning & Scoping the Audit
Planning & Scoping the Audit
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Section 4: Relevant CCM Controls
AAC-01 – Audit Planning
AAC-02 – Independent Audits
AAC-03 – Information System Regulatory Mapping
Questions

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