

Creating a Positive Environment for Education and Job Placement by Aligning with a Leader

Key India institutions partner with the VMware IT Academy to deliver VITA Days

VMWARE IT ACADEMY—BUILDING IT EXPERTISE IN THE DIGITAL FUTURE

The VMware® IT Academy Program provides students with the skills and education needed to succeed in a software-defined future. IT Academy creates a collaborative relationship with approved academic institutions around the world and provides them with software content, labs, and course materials developed by VMware. This enables their students to become knowledgeable on VMware technology and equipped with technical skills so they can obtain VMware certifications and jump-start their careers.

Taking positive steps toward the digital future

Within India, the VMware IT Academy (VITA) enjoys a solid foundation across more than 150 institutions—with very strong ties to *East Point College of Engineering and Technology*, Bapuji Institute of Engineering and Technology, and New Horizon College of Engineering. These durable affiliations have led these institutions to participate not only in the VITA program, but also in VITA Days.

VITA Days are days that enable students to engage and learn skills related to virtualization and cloud taking their next steps toward rewarding careers in IT. Upon completion of VITA Days, students can receive a certificate/badge that fosters students' pride and satisfaction in a job well done and positions them above other potential employment candidates.

The certification also creates interest within businesses looking to hire entry-level employees with foundational knowledge of virtualization, cloud, and VMware technologies.

VITA Days at a glance

Designed to help students master new technology, the VITA Days curriculum includes three courses:

- Virtualization and Cloud
- Network Virtualization Concepts
- Software-Defined Storage Concepts

Courses are composed of learning materials and labs that reinforce and augment the lessons learned during the fundamental VMware IT Academy courses. The concepts presented during VITA Days are challenging, but support from the trained VMware IT Academy faculty ensures all students receive the guidance they need to succeed.

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"Thousands of our students are working through the VMware courses. Our instructors are adept at delivering the courseware and better able to educate the students. Since so many students participate on a single day, they thrive on the competition, which increases their intellect. As an institution, we are very happy with VMware IT Academy's innovative initiatives in learning."

DR. PRAKASH
PRINCIPAL
EAST POINT COLLEGE OF
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To deliver VITA Days at participating institutions, the VMware IT Academy works in concert with select partners across India including:

- ICT Academy
- SmartBridge
- Andhra Pradesh Institute of Technology Academy (APITA)
- Telangana Academy for Skill and Knowledge

All faculty members from the participating institutions, as well as the supporting VMware IT Academy partners, complete the VITA Days labs themselves. This way, each instructor clearly understands the concepts presented in VITA Days courses, enabling them to guide students while they complete the hands-on labs.

Across all institutions participating in VITA Days, more than 3,000 students have completed the first course in virtualization and cloud—with 1,000 of those students attending East Point College of Engineering and Technology.

With so many students participating in VITA Days, friendly competition has naturally bloomed. Students are anxious to secure the highest score among their peers—proving their mastery and proficiency in virtualization, cloud, and VMware technology.

Benefits that matter most

Students who participate in VITA Days are afforded a wide range of benefits that will help them jump-start their careers in IT:

- Learning skills not readily available at other institutions
- Confidence in their ability to learn new technology and outperform their peers
- Inspiration from the IT Academy program; students consider professions in cloud and virtualization are now within their grasp
- Receiving industry badging that employers respect; badging is a unique selling point for employment in the IT sector

Benefits are also extended to the businesses that hire graduates of the VMware IT Academy and VITA Days. These organizations can hire skilled employees who are ready to hit the ground running on day one. With foundational knowledge of VMware, virtualization, and cloud, the graduates will drive change by suggesting how VMware can enhance their employers' IT environments.

VMware's "best-kept secret"

The VMware IT Academy has been operating on a global level for many years. Up until now, it's been VMware's best-kept secret. With the growing success of the IT Academy program and VITA Days more people are talking about the value of the IT Academy:

- Training students and trainers with a proven program
- Offering complete curriculum, as well as setting up hands-on labs, at minimal cost
- Fueling broader technology labs to be delivered to students
- Providing local program support to institutions through Regional IT Academies, offering training to instructors at other area institutions
- Educating and empowering tomorrow's digital leaders and entrepreneurs with skills today

Learn more

Discover more about how VMware IT Academy students can align with the leader by visiting *vmware.com/company/research/it-academy.html*.

