# **Course Information and Messaging Document: NCS540HWE**

# **Course Description (full version)**

The **Implementing the Cisco NCS 540 Series Routers (NCS540HWE)** training teaches you how to deploy Cisco Network Convergence System (NCS) 540 Series routers in a network environment. You will be introduced to the features and functions of the Cisco NCS 540 series platforms, system architecture, services implementation, quality of service (QoS), system security, model-driven telemetry, and programmability. This training also earns you 40 Continuing Education (CE) credits towards recertification.

### How You'll Benefit

This training will help you:

- Gain hands-on experience deploying Cisco NCS 540 Series routers in a network environment
  - Qualify for professional network job roles
  - Earn 40 CE credits towards recertification

# Who Should Enroll

- System Engineers
- Network Engineers
- Field Engineers
- Technical Support Personnel
- Channel partners, resellers System Engineers
  - Network Engineers
    - Field Engineers
  - Technical Support Personnel
    - Channel Partners
    - Channel Resellers

**Course Objectives** 

- Classify the Cisco NCS 540 platform hardware and understand the variations between large, medium, small, and fronthaul form factors, their features, use cases, and positioning
- Describe the hardware architecture of the NCS 540 series and the components necessary for packet queuing and forwarding, understand the life of a packet on ingress and egress traffic
- Explain the system architecture for traffic queuing, scheduling, and forwarding to introduce concepts of Cisco IOS XR modular QoS on the NCS 540 platform
- Describe the methods and protocols for establishing timing and synchronization on Cisco IOS XR router platforms
  - Describe the Cisco NCS 540 fronthaul router family and its features and how they can be
    used to make mobile network architecture simpler
- Describe Cisco IOS XR software architecture, its programmable features, and how to install software packages
  - Explain how to install Cisco IOS XR software packages
- Recognize, implement, and manage system security features within Cisco IOS XR software systems, ensuring the protection of network infrastructure and data
- Describe the main factors leading to the development and deployment of segment routing, segment types, segment routing global block (SRGB), and configure and verify intermediate system to intermediate system (IS-IS) and open shortest path first (OSPF) segment routing operation
- Discuss how topology independent loop-free alternate (TI-LFA) is implemented in Cisco IOS
  XR software
  - Demonstrate segment routing traffic engineering (SR-TE) and the traffic engineering components used in segment routing
    - Implement and configure advanced SR-TE features and SR IPv6
- Describe the components and functionality of Layer 3 multiprotocol label switching (MPLS) virtual private networks (VPNs) implementation in Cisco IOS XR software deployments
  - Implement Layer 2 VPN operations in a service provider environment
- Explain how Ethernet VPN (EVPN) gets around the problems that regular Layer 2 VPNs have, what the model for EVPN delivery is, and how to implement and troubleshoot EVPN solutions
- Comprehend and implement model-driven telemetry for enhanced network visibility and management

**Course Prerequisites** 

There are no prerequisites for this training. However, the knowledge and skills you are recommended to have before attending this training are:

- Knowledge of core Cisco networking technologies
- Understanding of implementing and operating Cisco networking solutions
  - Recognition of general networking concepts and protocols
- Basic knowledge of router installation and some experience with installation tools
- Routing protocol configuration experience with border gateway protocol (BGP), IS-IS, and OSPF

#### **Course Outline**

- 1. Cisco NCS 540 Series Hardware Overview
  - 2. Cisco NCS 540 System Architecture
    - 3. Cisco NCS 540 QoS Architecture
      - 4. Timing and Synchronization
      - 5. Cisco NCS 540 xHaul Design
  - 6. Cisco IOS XR Software Fundamentals
- 7. Cisco IOS XR Software Installation and Upgrade
  - 8. Cisco IOS XR Software System Security
    - 9. Segment Routing Fundamentals
- 10. Segment Routing Topology-Independent Loop-Free Alternate
  - 11. Segment Routing Traffic Engineering
  - 12. Advanced Segment Routing Traffic Engineering Features

13. Segment Routing IPv6

- 14. Layer 3 MPLS VPN Implementation with Cisco IOS XR Software
  - 15. Layer 2 VPNs and Ethernet Services Fundamentals
  - 16. Cisco IOS XR Software EVPN Operation and Implementation
    - 17. Cisco IOS XR Software Programmability
      - 18. Model-Driven Telemetry

Lab Outline

- 1. Configure and Verify NTP
- 2. Cisco IOS XR Software Installation
  - 3. Configure and Verify MPP
  - 4. Configure and Verify uRPF
- 5. Configure and Verify Segment Routing
- 6. Configure and Verify SR TI-LFA Using IS-IS
- 7. Configure and Verify SR TI-LFA Using OSPF
  - 8. Configure and Verify SR TE Using IS-IS
  - 9. Configure and Verify SR TE Using OSPF
- 10. Configure and Verify ODN and Flexible Algorithm
  - 11. Configure and Verify SRv6
  - 12. Configure and Verify Layer 3 VPN
  - 13. Configure and Verify EVPN VPWS
- 14. Configure and Verify Devices by Using Model-Driven Programmability
  - 15. Configure and Verify Model-Driven Telemetry