

Cloud Defense Engineering and Automation Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Data Security	Duration	10 Days
Base Fee	\$3,000 USD	Delivery Mode	Online / On-site Hybrid

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Course Objectives

Upon completion, participants will be able to:

1. Engineer and deploy secure Cloud-Native Architectures across hybrid and multi-cloud environments.
2. Implement Policy-as-Code (PaC) for automated governance and Cloud Security Posture Management (CSPM).
3. Design and operationalize a robust Zero Trust Architecture (ZTA), minimizing implicit trust.
4. Automate threat modeling and secure Infrastructure as Code (IaC) using tools like Terraform and CloudFormation.
5. Integrate DevSecOps practices to achieve shift-left security in CI/CD pipelines.
6. Develop and implement Security Orchestration, Automation, and Response (SOAR) playbooks for incident handling.
7. Leverage AI/ML for real-time anomaly detection and proactive threat hunting.
8. Secure Container Security and Serverless Computing workloads
9. Conduct and automate Vulnerability Management and Continuous Security Validation (CSV).
10. Master Cloud Identity and Access Management (IAM) and privileged access control with automated reviews.
11. Implement Data Security Posture Management (DSPM) and Data Loss Prevention (DLP) controls.
12. Establish an advanced Cloud Detection and Response (CDR) capability using native services
13. Drive and prove Compliance-as-Code for regulatory standards.

Target Audience

1. Cloud Security Engineers
2. DevSecOps Engineers
3. Security Architects
4. Security Operations Center (SOC) Analysts (Level II/III)

5. Cloud Architects and Cloud Consultants
6. SREs (Site Reliability Engineers) with a security focus
7. Cybersecurity Analysts and Threat Hunters
8. IT/Security Compliance and Audit Professionals

Course Modules

Module 1: Foundations of Cloud Defense and Zero Trust

- Cloud Threat Landscape.
- Shared Responsibility Model.
- Cloud Security Architecture.
- Zero Trust Architecture (ZTA).
- Case Study: Large Financial Institution's ZTA Migration.

Module 2: Automated Cloud Security Posture Management (CSPM)

- Writing and enforcing security guardrails using OPA and Cloud-Native PaC tools.
- Continuous Compliance Scanning.
- Automated Remediation Workflows.
- CIS Benchmarks & Custom Policies.
- Case Study: Global Retailer's Real-Time Misconfiguration Fix.

Module 3: Securing Infrastructure as Code (IaC)

- IaC Security Best Practices.
- Shift-Left IaC Scanning.
- Secrets Management Automation.
- Drift Detection and Remediation.
- Case Study: Tech Unicorn's Secure IaC Pipeline.

Module 4: Cloud Identity and Access Management (IAM) Automation

- Least Privilege Automation.
- Just-in-Time (JIT) Access.
- Federated Identity and SSO.
- Credential Rotation and Key Management.
- Case Study: Telecom Giant's Automated IAM Review.

Module 5: DevSecOps Integration and Pipeline Security

- CI/CD Pipeline Hardening.
- Software Composition Analysis.
- Dynamic Application Security Testing.
- Security Gates and Quality Checks.
- Case Study: E-Commerce Platform's DevSecOps Transformation

Module 6: Container and Serverless Security Automation

- Container Image Scanning
- Kubernetes Security Automation.
- Serverless Function Security.

- Container Runtime Defense.
- Case Study: Fintech Startup's Kubernetes Defense.

Module 7: Cloud Detection and Response (CDR)

- Log Ingestion and Normalization.
- Detection-as-Code
- Threat Hunting Automation
- Tuning and Alert Reduction
- Case Study: Managed Security Provider's AI-Driven SOC.

Module 8: Security Orchestration, Automation, and Response (SOAR)

- SOAR Playbook Development.
- Integration with Cloud APIs.
- Human-in-the-Loop Automation.
- Metrics and ROI of Automation.
- Case Study: Enterprise Phishing Response Automation

Module 9: Data Security and Encryption Automation

- Automated Data Classification.
- Encryption-in-Transit/at-Rest.
- Key Management Service (KMS) Automation.
- Data Loss Prevention (DLP) Policies.
- Case Study: Healthcare Provider's Automated Data Sovereignty.

Module 10: Advanced Network and Perimeter Automation

- Automated Network Segmentation.
- Web Application Firewall (WAF) Automation.
- DDoS Protection Automation.
- VPC Flow Log Analysis.
- Case Study: Global SaaS Company's WAF Defense

Module 11: Security Analytics and AI/ML for Defense

- AI-Driven Anomaly Detection
- Generative AI for Security.
- Security Data Lake Architecture.
- Predictive Security Analytics.
- Case Study: AI-Powered Threat Prioritization.

Module 12: Cloud Vulnerability Management Automation

- Continuous Vulnerability Scanning.
- Automated Patch Management
- Risk-Based Prioritization.
- Vulnerability Remediation Tracking.
- Case Study: Logistics Firm's Automated Patching.

Module 13: Cloud Security Compliance and Audit Automation

- Compliance-as-Code Frameworks
- Automated Evidence Collection.
- Reporting and Dashboarding.
- Cross-Cloud Compliance Harmonization.
- Case Study: Regulated Industry's Continuous Audit.

Module 14: Disaster Recovery (DR) and Business Continuity Automation

- Automated Backup and Restore Policies.
- Immutable Infrastructure for DR.
- Automated Failover and Failback Testing.
- Ransomware Defense Automation.
- Case Study: Insurance Company's One-Click DR.

Module 15: Future-Proofing Cloud Defense: Emerging Tech

- Sovereign Cloud Security.
- Quantum-Resistant Cryptography.
- Automated Supply Chain Security.
- Cloud-Native Observability.
- Case Study: Defense Contractor's Supply Chain Hardening.

Training Methodology

This course employs a participatory and hands-on approach to ensure practical learning, including:

- Interactive lectures and presentations.
- Group discussions and brainstorming sessions.
- Hands-on exercises using real-world datasets.
- Role-playing and scenario-based simulations.
- Analysis of case studies to bridge theory and practice.
- Peer-to-peer learning and networking.
- Expert-led Q&A sessions.
- Continuous feedback and personalized guidance.

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Certification

Upon successful completion of this training, participants will be issued with a globally- recognized certificate.

Tailor-Made Course

We also offer tailor-made courses based on your needs.

Key Notes

- a. The participant must be conversant with English.
- b. Upon completion of training the participant will be issued with an Authorized Training Certificate

- c. Course duration is flexible and the contents can be modified to fit any number of days.
- d. The course fee includes facilitation training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch and A Certificate upon successful completion of Training.
- e. One-year post-training support Consultation and Coaching provided after the course.
- f. Payment should be done at least a week before commence of the training, to Fineskill Training Center account, as indicated in the invoice so as to enable us prepare better for you.

Upcoming Scheduled Sessions

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Online	\$2,000
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$3,000
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$0
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$0
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$0
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