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Best Computer Programming Certification

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I. Top 5 Programming Certs For IT Pros




Whether you're choosing a language-specific or platform-oriented credential, it's worth looking at our top five programming certs for IT pros, freshly updated for 2016.



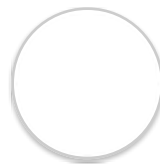


Anthropologists reckon that humans around the globe speak somewhere between six and seven thousand distinct languages, with a number around 6,700 appearing most frequently in online sources. Nobody has conducted an exhaustive survey of all of the [computer](#)  programming languages in use around the world, but other more focused studies are available.

The studies include the U.S. Department of Defense [Survey of Computing Languages](#) (also known as DoD Language Survey) conducted in 1995, which identified no fewer than 450 programming languages in use in various weapons and automated [information systems](#)  in the 1970s, with 37 total languages recounted as part of the 1995 survey of languages in use for weapons systems. At any rate, some number from hundreds to thousands of such languages appears both reasonable and defensible, depending on the types of systems and applications under consideration.

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In this certification guide we provide you with our top five programming certifications for [IT professionals](#) . These days, computer programming certifications are as much about development platforms and environments as they are about specific programming languages. You'll find an interesting mix of language-focused or language-specific credentials available, such as C/C++ certs, as well as various platform-oriented credentials like those from Microsoft, which stress Visual Studio, .NET and other programming languages such as Visual C#, Visual C++, Visual F#, Visual Basic and so forth. You'll also read about Adobe developer certifications, which were designed in conjunction with Adobe's development platforms and tools such as LiveCycle, Flash and Flex.

Table 1 shows the results of an informal job search we conducted that gives you an idea of the relative frequency with which our top five certs appear in actual job postings.


Table 1. Job Board Search Results

	SimplyHired	Indeed	Dice	LinkedIn	TechCareers	JustTechJobs	Total
MCSD	792	644	88	271	176	61	2,032
ACE	333	21	0	4	1,529	645	2,532
CSSLP	361	197	31	123	62	11	785
Google Apps	4,000+	87	118	3,000+	797	424	1,426
C/C++	5,000+	790	30,000+	1,798	19,000+	20,000+	76,588+

Now let's take a closer look at the top five programming certifications for 2016.

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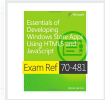
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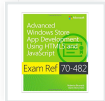
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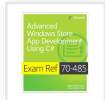
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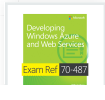
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