

Calendar

February 2012

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of Professional Development Opportunities and Events

Merit Network's Professional Learning Program presents a wide range of learning opportunities in networking and information technology to benefit Merit's Member organizations and others throughout the state of Michigan. Our year-round series of training events, seminars, workshops and community gatherings provides ways to learn and share knowledge about the world of technology for education, libraries, government, healthcare and more.

VMware View: Install, Configure, Manage

February 28-March 2, 2012

VMware View is VMware's desktop virtualization product, allowing desktop operating systems and applications to be deployed from a server infrastructure. This hands-on, VMware-instructed course builds your skills in the VMware View suite of products: VMware View Manager, VMware View Composer, and VMware ThinApp. The course is appropriate for system administrators and system integrators who are responsible for deployment of VMware virtual desktop infrastructure. VMware customers can use their existing VMware professional service credits as payment for this course. Register now at:

www.merit.edu/view2012



Hands-on SELinux: A Practical Introduction

March 8 & 15, 2012

This short course will be offered in two evening sessions over the Internet. You can attend from the comfort of your own office or home!

Taught in two three-hour sessions, the course is designed as a hands-on introduction to SELinux, a technology that adds mandatory access controls to the Linux kernel and can stop buffer overflow and other malicious attacks in their tracks. The focus will be on understanding the SELinux theory, components, installation, configuration and log records, and learning how to secure applications by creating SELinux policies. You'll come away from this course with the SELinux skills to secure your own platform running your own applications.

www.merit.edu/selinux2012



Key to Calendar Icons

AVAILABLE ONLINE

The event can be attended virtually, either via videoconference in additional classrooms throughout Michigan, or via a desktop interface that can be used anywhere there is an Internet connection, depending on the event.



REGISTER NOW!

Registration is now available for this event. Please visit the web site listed to register.



More about upcoming events at:

www.merit.edu/learning



Spring MJTS Meeting March 21, 2012

For over 30 years, Merit Member organizations have gathered to compare notes at the regular meetings of the Merit Joint Technical Staff. MJTS meetings, held in the fall and spring, help technical staff learn about emerging technologies, IT activities at Michigan organizations, and developments at Merit. Registration is free, and meetings are open only to Merit Members. Attend in Lansing, Escanaba or Gaylord.

www.merit.edu/mjts





MITE Forum

March 22, 2012, Location TBA

The Michigan Information Technology Executive Forum is a community of practice for IT executives, with a unique focus on the educational community in Michigan. In quarterly meetings and online, the MITE Forum provides a group where IT leaders can get help with new technologies, share experiences and best practices, and gain inspiration and support from their peers.

Any information technology executive is welcome to attend an in-person meeting and to consider joining the MITE Forum. Learn more at:

www.merit.edu/mite

Merit Professional Learning Scholarship Program

Merit is pleased to offer a scholarship program to help Merit Members attend Professional Learning events when financial limitations would otherwise interfere. Made possible by the contributions of the Merit Community Supporter Program, the scholarship program recognizes the significant financial pressure felt by many organizations and helps Merit Member organizations maintain strong information technology skills.

Scholarships may be requested for any event that has a registration fee; a committee of Merit staff selects scholarship recipients. If you have question or need assistance regarding this program, please send email to learning@merit.edu or contact your Member Relations Manager. Read more at:

www.merit.edu/learning/scholarship

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Deploying Cisco ASA Firewall Solutions

March 12 - 16, 2012

Deploying Cisco ASA Firewall Solutions is a five-day, hands-on course on the skills needed to configure, maintain and operate the firewall features of the Cisco ASA 5500 Series Adaptive Security Appliances (ASAs). This course prepares you for the Cisco exam 642-617 FIREWALL, which tests the knowledge and skills needed to implement and maintain Cisco ASA-based perimeter solutions.

www.merit.edu/asa2012



Merit & VMware All Day Technology Update

April 25 - Grand Rapids, April 26 - Ypsilanti

Merit Network and VMware are hosting a complimentary, technology event focused on current and future virtualization technologies. The event will feature numerous demonstrations and presentations. Registration will be available soon.

Hands-on Network Security

April 18 - 19, 2012

This course is an intensive workshop on assessing and securing your network infrastructure using current open-source tools and techniques. The workshop will be offered in Ann Arbor on April 18-19, 2012, with additional classrooms to be announced, linked via videoconference.

www.merit.edu/securitytools2012



Cloud Computing Essentials

May 7 - 11, 2012

This online course will focus on the fundamental concepts and architecture of cloud computing and the design and deployment of a cloud computing platform. The course will be held Monday through Friday, May 7-11, 2012, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. EST. Instruction will be entirely online—you can attend from anywhere there is an Internet connection. Register now at:

www.merit.edu/cloud2012/



2012 Merit Member Conference

May 23 - 24, 2012

Now celebrating its fourteenth year, the Merit Member Conference is a special opportunity for professional learning and interaction, designed specifically to meet the needs of Merit's Member organizations. The conference agenda is constructed to provide maximum interaction with your peers doing high-tech work in the Merit community. Join us on May 23-24, 2012, at our new location, the Eagle Crest Conference Center in Ypsilanti.

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