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CISA®: A Proven Pathway for Successful Careers in IT Audit

For 45 years, the Certified Information Systems Auditor® (CISA) credential has been considered the global gold standard credential for those who audit, control, monitor and assess an organization's IT and business systems. This year, ISACA issued the 200,000th CISA certification.

To ensure CISA's continued value and relevance around the world and to reflect the latest business technology landscape, ISACA continuously updates the CISA exam, sourcing the expertise of hundreds of CISA certification holders around the world.

Here, CISA credential holders share how the certification has impacted their careers. Find out more about the **CISA credential** and learn about ISACA's career pathway resources in IT audit **here**.

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CISA IN HIGH DEMAND

- Listed among six IT certifications that will get you hired[1]

- Listed among top-paying IT certifications in IT Skills and Salary Survey[2]

- Earns among the top pay premiums for IT certifications, per Foote Partners LLC[3]

"CISA was one of the best investments I have made in my personal development, especially with risks relating to information systems and security increasing like never before. CISA has helped equip me to handle the challenges in my role by combining business with IT knowledge."

SEYDI GELMIS, CISA, CISM (GERMANY)
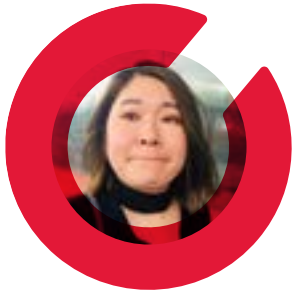
"After I passed the CISA exam, my life journey was directly changed. It allowed me to dream big, believe in myself, open my eyes to a world of possibilities and break into the exciting realm of cybersecurity. I successfully transitioned from finance, forging a new path alongside professionals I could have only dreamed of meeting in my previous life. My CISA certification not only opened doors but also ignited my passion for securing the digital landscape, shaping my career in ways I could have never imagined."

ABBY ZHANG, CISA, CDPSE, MARKETING COORDINATOR, BOARD MEMBER AT ISACA AUCKLAND CHAPTER, TRUSTEE AT NZNWS, AND SECURITY ANALYST AT KORDIA (NEW ZEALAND)

"Holding the CISA certification has helped me secure employment and thrive within some of the world's largest multinational corporations, thanks to the extensive exposure to diverse industries and its compatibility with numerous roles within the fields of IT audit, assurance and security. The CISA credential has also enabled me to become part of an exclusive professional network that is highly sought-after on a global scale."

SANDILE NHLENGETHWA, CISA, SENIOR IT AUDITOR, DHL GROUP (ESWATINI)

"I would not be in the position or career I am in today without my CISA. A number of job descriptions for information systems auditing require a CISA or similar certification. A lack of credentials can hinder your chances of getting a foot in the door for an interview, especially in management roles. Additionally, because I do not have a degree in information systems, my CISA certification allowed me to prove my knowledge not learned in a classroom."

TIFFANY POLLARD, CIA, CISA, MANAGER, INTERNAL AUDIT IT (US)

"The benefits in earning the CISA included enhanced competence, confidence and credibility with my colleagues and clients. The CISA bootcamp and test materials helped to better equip me with the concepts, techniques and resources needed to find the approaches that best fit the needs of my engagements. This helped me to be more independent in helping to develop and execute testing approaches and collaborate with clients to assure them the plans were aligned with ISACA leading practices."

NATASHA BARNES, CISA, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR AT PROTIVITI (US)