



RPL Certificate Level I Details

This upgrade certificate confirms the learners knowledge at a z/OS 3.1 level, introducing new content and refreshing existing knowledge. This certificate validates that the learner has attained a solid foundation in the fundamental concepts, tools, and techniques required for z/OS application programming. They understand the z/OS operating system architecture, components, and its role in enterprise computing, and have acquired a working knowledge of COBOL, PL/I, and Python programming languages in that environment.

This person can access core day-to-day products to create source code (ISPF), submit programs for execution (JCL), and review results (SDSF).

Prerequisites

- IBM Mainframe Application Programmer Level I Certificate

Note: This is a z/OS 3.1 Recognized Prior Learning (RPL) certificate. Learners must have previously earned the IBM Mainframe Application Programmer Level I Certificate.

Job Role

A z/OS Application Programmer is responsible for developing, maintaining, and supporting applications that run on the z/OS operating system. On completion of this study, the student should be able to:

- Describe the components of the z/OS system that are relevant to programming
- Explain how COBOL, PL/I, and Python run on z/OS
- Use ISPF to store program code
- Write and run JCL to test programs
- Use SDSF to view and debug program results

Value of Skills

Fundamentals skills and knowledge of IBM’s z/OS programming environment are provided through this certificate, which form the base from which a career in z/OS Application Programming is built.

The non-programming component of this learning is also considered a prerequisite for other advanced technical jobs, such as a Systems Programmer or Security Administrator.

Approximate number of training hours – 13

