

Recent Recommendations for CISSP Boot Camps by Bill Curd, PhD

Kevin Igo, Information Technology Manager, City of Phoenix, May 7, 2019

Bill was recommended by a coworker for his CISSP boot camp and it proved to be a helpful resource. The 'take home' material will make excellent study resources. Through example, Bill was able to explain some concepts that I personally had trouble with that I hope will help me on the test. The course was at a great price and comparing to other courses I have had, was great in content as well.



David Kurnik Principal Security Architect, AT&T, May 4, 2019

Bill comes to the sessions with the deepest and widest technical and leadership experience in the security practice imaginable and even possible. The depth of his understanding and responses to questions demonstrate that lifelong experience and phenomenal list of credentials that you see on paper. You could not ask for a better facilitator and mentor to improve your understanding of the security practice. Moreover, the sessions left me with an excellent understanding of how my current knowledge applies to the CISSP exam and where I need to study the most. Prior to this course, despite spending time on dense self study materials, I did not have a clear understanding of what was expected in the exam. A benefit of this time and money spent is the confident ability to create a structured plan of study to pass the exam in the coming months. Though where I farther in my own self study this would have pushed me over the top into readiness for the exam.



David Cramsey, Aero Safety Engineer, April 29, 2019

Just attended Bill's CISSP boot camp in Phoenix. If anyone is interested in CISSP/Cyber Security and wants to certify, I highly recommend Bill's boot camp. He relates real life experience along with the instruction and was not bored at any point during the camp.



John Vaux, Senior Information Security Architect, Albertsons Companies, October 6, 2018

I took Dr. Curd's CISSP bootcamp this week and I have to say it was excellent. He has the best presentation materials of any training I have taken. If you plan on earning your CISSP I highly recommend his bootcamp.

Randy Pizarro, Data Governance Analyst, Major Bank, May 3, 2018

I just finished the CISSP Boot Camp in Phoenix and I must say it was an engaging event. I have plans to complete the CISSP shortly with the newfound knowledge gained by instruction Dr. Curd.



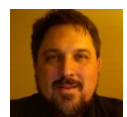
Rachel O'Brien, VP Cyber Security Strategy, MUFU in the Americas, March 26, 2018

GREAT MENTOR - I took a CISSP boot camp with Bill ... He mentioned the demand for capable security pros continues to grow I did flourish in the industry, becoming a subject matter expert, just never taking the certification exam. I left for Japan and his advice stayed with me ... Being ex-military with over 2 decades of service, I realized the importance of the Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP) for seasoned employees or consultants as I was at the time. I have come back to Bill as I know I will always do, to learn from a great teacher what is important to reach our goals and continue to grow, thank you Dr. Curd!



Robb Leatherwood, Solutions Architect, Symantec, February 13, 2018

I took a CISSP boot camp from Dr. Curd ... and it was an absolute pleasure. The combination of his obvious expertise drawn from years of experience, excellent class materials, and his adaptive teaching style made the class worth every penny. I would highly recommend Bill's classes and teaching.



Steve Clayden, PhD, Instructor at Arizona State University, Residential Faculty at Glendale Community College, January 12, 2018



Bill is one of the most experienced security professionals I have met. I thoroughly enjoyed his CISSP boot camp seminar and recommend it to anyone considering taking the certification exam or just wanting more knowledge and understanding of IT security.

If you are considering engaging a security consultant for your organization Bill is the Man to evaluate and recommend remediation, prevention and planning for the future of IT security.

Scott Champine, Visiting Professor at DeVry, Linux Engineer 5 at CSAA, November 21, 2017

I've been in IT for over 15 years. I'm a Senior/Lead Linux Engineer. I have taught systems engineering in college for the last 9 years as well. I have often joked that the CISSP would be an easy test for me to take, and I decided to start studying in early October. I was overwhelmed by the fact that I was well aware of the size of this elephant I was trying to eat, and I knew all the individual pieces, but I lacked one thing that Dr. Curd really provided in his Boot Camp. He gave me coherence. He cut the elephant up, so it was edible when I may have otherwise struggled around different test material that is, frankly, overwhelming to try to tackle.

When I was taking my test today I was thrown for a loop on some of the questions that they gave me. I would have panicked if I hadn't been using a methodology that Dr. Curd taught ... You don't get exact results back from the test, but I believe I had a pretty good cushion of passing and I owe a lot of that to Dr. Curd's class for coherence and his question techniques for clarity of working through the material. Also, the test only took me 3.5 hours. Had I not used this method of test taking, I may have sat there and looked over my answers for 2.5 more hours and not benefitted from it at all. I would have been just second guessing myself.

I highly recommend Dr. Bill Curd and believe he was instrumental in my passing the CISSP.

David Wallace, Professor at Arizona State University, Founder Elite Electronic Systems, ThinkingOOTB, & Philanthropic Enterprises, November 3, 2017

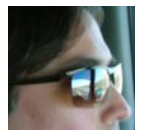


11 days after taking CISSP Boot Camp presented by Dr. Bill Curd, I passed my CISSP exam. I can honestly say that Bill's boot camp made all of the difference in the world for me. I doubt I would have passed without the camp.

It was 5 days of highly focused material taught by an expert who has worked in all 8 domains covered by the CISSP exam ... After Bill's course, I read all of the chapter summaries, quick tips and answered the chapter questions (while looking at the answer keys) in both the "All-in-One CISSP Exam Guide" and the (ISC)² "Official Study Guide". I then intensively reviewed the booklet of slides presented in Bill's course while waiting to take my exam. I passed on my first attempt just 11 days after taking the boot camp.

My preparation consisted of taking the Synesys Group's boot camp, intensely reviewing the slides in the booklet provided during the boot camp, and skimming the other material. I firmly believe that the boot camp saved me a ton of time slogging through difficult material. Bill was able to highlight and tie together the necessary concepts, facts, figures, and supporting material in a way that made it easy to pass the certification exam. Again, I highly recommend taking the Synesys Group's Boot Camp by Dr. Bill Curd.

Radel Vazquez, Senior Cyber Security Analyst at MassMutual Financial Group, May 2, 2017



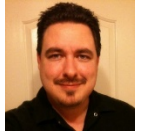
I have been exposed to different models of teaching and training during my pre-professional career and while a professional of IT and I can assure you that only a few have reached to the top of my list for in depth analysis, method and charisma while teaching a course or boot camp like Dr. Curd just did.

I highly recommend this course and training to those who wants to receive quality of education and years of expertise. Thank you, Dr. Curd, it's is an honor!

John Barry, Technical Director - Network Security & Application Resiliency Architect at Charles Schwab

April 13, 2017

I recently took a CISSP boot camp with Bill as the instructor, and I recommend it to those considering the CISSP. As an experienced professional, I found that he provides an extremely useful class, that was well focused on the test ahead. While it covered the broad content of the CISSP, he really focused on conveying what you most likely will see during the exam and practical advice for preparing for and taking the test. The class really helps you determine what areas you may be soft on, and what areas may differ from your real-world experiences.



Capt. David Lucas, USAF, Cyber Operations Manager, Luke AFB April 12, 2017

The boot camp that Bill provides is phenomenal! I was able to attain so much knowledge from Bill and he was able to take the material and make it very relatable to our class. His adjustments to our personalities and learning methods were seamless! I truly enjoyed our time and highly recommend Bill's boot camp to anyone trying to become a CISSP or strengthen their foundation in information security.



David Thesee, Software Engineer at General Dynamics Mission Systems April 11, 2017

I took Dr. Curd's CISSP boot camp in April of 2017. The experience was terrific and well worth the investment of my time and money. In addition to excellent coverage of the technical content, the two things I found most valuable were 1) realistic study tips for managing an immense body of knowledge and 2) a significant number of practical tips for taking the CISSP certification exam.



I came away from Dr. Curd's CISSP boot camp with awareness of my weak areas Having sat through Dr. Curd's CISSP boot camp, I do, without hesitation, recommend it to anybody who is serious about obtaining their CISSP.

Brian Dunlap, Sr. InfoSec Integrator/Analyst at Arizona Public Service (APS) February 13, 2017

I took Bill's CISSP boot camp with the understanding that it was a going to be a "open fire hose" type of class, and I was not disappointed. I found Bill's style of teaching enjoyable as he brought the technical aspects of the CISSP boot camp along with his real word experience. The class was clear and concise when it came to the details of what was expected to be learned from the week-long endeavor. Bill brought a refreshing change to the standard "cookie-cutter" boot camp while still staying focused on what really mattered. He is a pleasant and intriguing person, who knows what he is discussing.



I would recommend this boot camp to anyone that is willing to take that crash course with an open hose of information to download and digest.

Randall Mitchell, Director of Information Systems, The Phoenix Symphony February 13, 2017

I was fortunate to have the opportunity to attend Dr. Curd's CISSP Boot Camp in February 2017 as a final refresher prior to taking the exam. I had taken an initial CISSP training program in early 2016 from a different "main line" training vendor. I found the differences between Dr. Curd's class and the other vendor remarkable. The previous class was the typical high cost "student churn" type program, focusing on volume of students, minimal interaction with the "instructor", generic class and training materials, and a very high-level overview of the CISSP domains. At the end of class from the previous vendor, most of us were left with a feeling of disappointment, and no feeling of value. We all felt we paid a premium price and were left with only cursory discussion, a poorly written text book, and inadequate classroom materials.



Dr. Curd's class however was refreshingly different. His approach to the class is a "student first" philosophy, and through the week his desire to truly help the students understand the material comes through. He has a relaxed and diffusing nature and manner of instruction, tremendous professional and industry knowledge, relevant and reflective anecdotes, and a fantastic set of materials for the student. The materials alone could

easily been worth the cost of the class, which I will note is tremendously less than competitors. I had previously heard about Dr. Curd's classes from other professionals over the years, and had signed up optimistically. I am pleased to say that I certainly was not disappointed. I value and appreciate my time I had in Dr. Curd's class, and I look forward to hopefully having the opportunity to work with him in the future.

Francisco Verde, Corporate Security Engineer, Kudelski Group, Cheseaux, Switzerland Jan 18, 2017

Se fut une chance formidable que d'avoir été enseigné par Bill. Son savoir semble t être illimité en la matière. Bill Curd est un excellent professeur, il s offre facilement en tant que contact professionnel et intéresse au bien être de ces étudiants. Je le recommande vivement , ainsi que ces cours CISSP.

