



## CLA – C Programming Language Certified Associate

### Course description

The course fully covers the basics of programming in the “C” programming language and demonstrates fundamental programming techniques, customs and vocabulary including the most common library functions and the usage of the preprocessor.

### Learning objectives

- ▶ To familiarize the trainee with basic concepts of computer programming and developer tools.
- ▶ To present the syntax and semantics of the “C” language as well as data types offered by the language
- ▶ To allow the trainee to write their own programs using standard language infrastructure regardless of the hardware or software platform

### Course outline

- ▶ Introduction to compiling and software development
- ▶ Basic scalar data types and their operators
- ▶ Flow control
- ▶ Complex data types: arrays, structures and pointers
- ▶ Structuring the code: functions and modules
- ▶ Preprocessing source code

### Chapters:

#### Absolute basics

- ▶ languages: natural and artificial
- ▶ machine languages
- ▶ high-level programming languages
- ▶ obtaining the machine code: compilation process
- ▶ recommended readings
- ▶ your first program
- ▶ variable – why?
- ▶ integer values in real life and in “C”, integer literals

#### Data types

- ▶ floating point values in real life and in “C”, float literals
- ▶ arithmetic operators
- ▶ priority and binding
- ▶ post- and pre -incrementation and -decrementation
- ▶ operators of type op=
- ▶ char type and ASCII code, char literals
- ▶ equivalence of int and char data
- ▶ comparison operators
- ▶ conditional execution and if keyword
- ▶ printf() and scanf() functions: absolute basics

#### Flow control

- ▶ conditional execution continued: the “else” branch
- ▶ more integer and float types
- ▶ conversions – why?
- ▶ typecast and its operators
- ▶ loops – while, do and for
- ▶ controlling the loop execution – break and continue
- ▶ logical and bitwise operators

#### Arrays

- ▶ switch: different faces of ‘if’
- ▶ arrays (vectors) – why do you need them?
- ▶ sorting in real life and in a computer memory
- ▶ initiators: a simple way to set an array
- ▶ pointers: another kind of data in “C”
- ▶ an address, a reference, a dereference and the sizeof operator
- ▶ simple pointer and pointer to nothing (NULL) & operator
- ▶ pointers arithmetic
- ▶ pointers vs. arrays: different forms of the same phenomenon
- ▶ using strings: basics
- ▶ basic functions dedicated to string manipulation

#### Memory management and structures

- ▶ the meaning of array indexing
- ▶ the usage of pointers: perils and disadvantages
- ▶ void type
- ▶ arrays of arrays and multidimensional arrays
- ▶ memory allocation and deallocation: malloc() and free() functions
- ▶ arrays of pointers vs. multidimensional arrays
- ▶ structures – why?
- ▶ declaring, using and initializing structures
- ▶ pointers to structures and arrays of structures
- ▶ basics of recursive data collections

#### Functions

- ▶ functions – why?
- ▶ how to declare, define and invoke a function
- ▶ variables' scope, local variables and function parameters
- ▶ pointers, arrays and structures as function parameters
- ▶ function result and return statement
- ▶ void as a parameter, pointer and result
- ▶ parameterizing the main function
- ▶ external function and the extern declarator
- ▶ header files and their role

#### Files and streams

- ▶ files vs. streams: where does the difference lie?
- ▶ header files needed for stream operations
- ▶ FILE structure
- ▶ opening and closing a stream, open modes, errno variable
- ▶ reading and writing to/from a stream
- ▶ predefined streams: stdin, stdout and stderr
- ▶ stream manipulation: fgetc(), fputc(), fgets() and fputs() functions
- ▶ raw input/output: fread() and fwrite() functions

#### Preprocessor and complex declarations

- ▶ preprocessor – why?
- ▶ #include: how to make use of a header file
- ▶ #define: simple and parameterized macros
- ▶ #undef directive
- ▶ predefined preprocessor symbols
- ▶ macrooperators: # and ##
- ▶ conditional compilation: #if and #ifdef directives
- ▶ avoiding multiple compilations of the same header files
- ▶ scopes of declarations, storage classes
- ▶ user -defined types – why?
- ▶ pointers to functions
- ▶ analyzing and creating complex declarations



## CPA – C++ Certified Associate Programmer

### Course description

The course fully covers the basics of programming in the “C++” programming language and presents the fundamental notions and techniques used in object-oriented programming. It starts with universal basics, not relying on object concepts and gradually extends to advanced issues observed in the objective approach.

### Prerequisite Courses

The “C” programming language course – associate level (suggested)

### Learning objectives

- ▶ To familiarize the trainee with the universal concepts of computer programming.
- ▶ To present the syntax and semantics of the “C++” language as well as basic data types offered by the language
- ▶ To discuss the principles of the object-oriented model and its implementation in the “C++” language
- ▶ To demonstrate the means useful in resolving typical implementation problems with the help of standard “C++” language libraries

### Course outline

- ▶ Introduction to compiling and software development
- ▶ Basic scalar data types, operators, flow control, streamed input/output, conversions
- ▶ Declaring, defining and invoking functions
- ▶ Strings processing, exceptions handling, dealing with namespaces
- ▶ Object-oriented approach and its vocabulary
- ▶ Dealing with classes and objects
- ▶ Defining overloaded operators
- ▶ Introduction to STL

### Chapters:

#### Absolute basics

- ▶ machine and high-level programming languages, compilation process
- ▶ obtaining the machine code: compilation process
- ▶ recommended readings
- ▶ your first program
- ▶ variable – why?
- ▶ integers: values, literals, operators
- ▶ characters: values, literals, operators
- ▶ dealing with streams and basic input/output operations

#### Flow control and more data types

- ▶ how to control the flow of the program?
- ▶ floating point types: values, literals, operators
- ▶ more integral types: values and literals
- ▶ loops and controlling the loop execution
- ▶ logic, bitwise and arithmetic operators

#### Functions

- ▶ functions: why do you need them?
- ▶ declaring and invoking functions
- ▶ side effects
- ▶ different methods of passing parameters and their purpose
- ▶ default parameters
- ▶ inline functions
- ▶ overloaded functions

#### Accessing data and dealing with exceptions

- ▶ converting values of different types
- ▶ strings: declarations, initializations, assignments
- ▶ string as the example of an object: introducing methods and properties
- ▶ namespaces: using and declaring
- ▶ exception handling

#### Fundamentals of the object-oriented approach

- ▶ class: what does it actually mean?
- ▶ where do the objects come from?
- ▶ class components
- ▶ constructors
- ▶ referring to objects
- ▶ static members
- ▶ classes and their friends
- ▶ defining and overloading operators

#### Class hierarchy

- ▶ base class, superclass, subclass
- ▶ inheritance: how does it work?
- ▶ types of inheritance
- ▶ inheriting different class components
- ▶ multiple inheritance

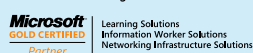
#### Classes – continued

- ▶ polymorphism: the notion and the purpose
- ▶ virtual methods: declaring and using
- ▶ inheriting virtual methods
- ▶ abstraction and abstract classes

#### Introduction to STL

- ▶ what is STL and benefits from the use of STL
- ▶ containers, adapters, iterators
- ▶ vectors
- ▶ lists

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