Modules:

- 1. Course Introduction
- o Introductions and course logistics
- o Course objectives
- o References and resources
- 2 hours
- 2. Software-Defined Data Center
- o Introduce components of the software-defined data center
- o Describe where vSphere fits into the cloud architecture
- o Install and use vSphere Client
- o Overview of ESXi
- 4 hours
- 3. Creating Virtual Machines
- o Introduce virtual machines, virtual machine hardware, and virtual machine files
- o Create and work with virtual machines and templates
- 4 hours
- 4. vCenter Server
- o Introduce the vCenter Server architecture
- o Deploy and configure vCenter Server Appliance
- o Use vSphere Web Client
- o Manage vCenter Server inventory objects and licenses
- 4 hour
- 5. Configuring and Managing Virtual Networks
- o Describe, create, and manage standard switches
- o Configure virtual switch security and load-balancing policies
- o Create, configure, and manage vSphere distributed switches, network connections, and port groups
- 4 hours
- 6. Configuring and Managing Virtual Storage
- o Introduce storage protocols and storage device types
- o Discuss ESXi hosts using iSCSI and NFS storage

- o Create and manage VMFS and NFS datastores
- o Introduce VMware Virtual SANTM
- o Introduce Virtual Volumes
- 4 hours
- 7. Virtual Machine Management
- o Use templates and cloning to deploy new virtual machines
- o Modify and manage virtual machines
- o Perform vSphere vMotion and vSphere Storage vMotion migrations
- o Create and manage virtual machine snapshots
- o Create vApps
- o Introduce the types of content libraries and how to deploy and use them
- 4 hours
- 8. Resource Management and Monitoring
- o Introduce virtual CPU and memory concepts
- o Configure and manage resource pools
- o Describe methods for optimizing CPU and memory usage
- o Use various tools to monitor resource usage
- o Create and use alarms to report certain conditions or events
- o Identify and troubleshoot virtual machine resource issues
- 4 hours
- 9. vSphere HA and vSphere Fault Tolerance
- o Explain the vSphere HA architecture
- o Configure and manage a vSphere HA cluster
- o Use vSphere HA advanced parameters
- o Introduce vSphere Fault Tolerance
- o Enable vSphere Fault Tolerance on virtual machines
- o Introduce vSphere Replication
- o Use vSphere Data Protection to back up and restore data
- 4 hours

- 10. Host Scalability
- o Describe the functions and benefits of a vSphere DRS cluster
- o Configure and manage a vSphere DRS cluster
- o Work with affinity and anti-affinity rules
- o Use vSphere HA and vSphere DRS together for business continuity
- 4 hours
- 11. vSphere Update Manager and Host Maintenance
- o Use vSphere Update Manager to manage ESXi patching
- o Install vSphere Update Manager and the vSphere Update Manager plug-in
- o Create patch baselines
- o Use host profiles to manage host configuration compliance
- o Scan and remediate hosts
- 4 hours
- 12. Installing vSphere Components
- o Install ESXi
- o Introduce vCenter Server deployment options
- o Describe vCenter Server hardware, software, and database requirements
- o Discuss installation of vCenter Server Appliance and a vCenter Server instance
- o Demonstrate vCenter Server installation
- 4 hours