Course Description

Course Overview: Whether you need to crunch numbers for sales, inventory, information technology, human resources, or other organizational purposes and departments, the ability to get the right information to the right people at the right time can create a powerful competitive advantage. After all, the world runs on data more than ever before and that’s a trend not likely to change, or even slow down, any time soon. But with so much data available and being created on a nearly constant basis, the ability to make sense of that data becomes more critical and challenging with every passing day. You already know how to get Excel to perform simple calculations and how to modify your workbooks and worksheets to make them easier to read, interpret, and present to others. But, Excel is capable of doing so much more. To gain a truly competitive edge, you need to be able to extract actionable organizational intelligence from your raw data. In other words, when you have questions about your data, you need to know how to get Excel to provide the answers for you. And that’s exactly what this course aims to help you do.

This course builds upon the foundational knowledge presented in the Microsoft® Office Excel® 2016: Introduction course and will help start you down the road to creating advanced workbooks and worksheets that can help deepen your understanding of organizational intelligence. The ability to analyze massive amounts of data, extract actionable information from it, and present that information to decision makers is at the foundation of a successful organization that is able to compete at a high level.

This course covers Microsoft Office Specialist exam objectives to help students prepare for the Excel 2016 Exam and the Excel 2016 Expert Exam.

Target Student: This course is designed for students who already have foundational knowledge and skills in Excel 2016 and who wish to begin taking advantage of some of the higher-level functionality in Excel to analyze and present data.

Prerequisites: To ensure success, students should have completed CompuTrain’s Microsoft® Office Excel® 2016: Introduction or have the equivalent knowledge and experience.

Course Objectives

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Customize the Excel environment.
- Create advanced formulas.
- Analyze data by using functions and conditional formatting.
- Organize and analyze datasets and tables.
- Visualize data by using basic charts.
- Analyze data by using PivotTables, slicers, and PivotCharts.

Course Content

Lesson 1: Working with Functions

- **Topic A:** Work with Ranges
- **Topic B:** Use Specialized Functions
- **Topic C:** Work with Logical Functions
- **Topic D:** Work with Date & Time Functions
- **Topic E:** Work with Text Functions

Lesson 2: Working with Lists

- **Topic A:** Sort Data
- **Topic B:** Filter Data
- **Topic C:** Query Data with Database Functions
- **Topic D:** Outline and Subtotal Data

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Lesson 3: Analyzing Data
- Topic A: Create and Modify Tables
- Topic B: Apply Intermediate Conditional Formatting
- Topic C: Apply Advanced Conditional Formatting

Lesson 4: Visualizing Data with Charts
- Topic A: Create Charts
- Topic B: Modify and Format Charts
- Topic C: Use Advanced Chart Features

Lesson 5: Using PivotTables and PivotCharts
- Topic A: Create a PivotTable
- Topic B: Analyze PivotTable Data
- Topic C: Present Data with PivotCharts
- Topic D: Filter Data by Using Timelines and Slicers

Appendix A: Microsoft Office Excel 2016 Exam 77-727

Appendix B: Microsoft Office Excel 2016 Expert Exam 77–728

Appendix C: Microsoft Excel 2016 Common Keyboard Shortcuts

Appendix D: Financial Functions

Appendix E: Working with Graphical Objects

Appendix F: Using Array Formulas