
Getting Started with Terraform for Google Cloud

Duration: 1 Day **Course Code: GO8335** **Delivery Method: Company Event**

Overview:

This course provides an introduction to using Terraform for Google Cloud.

It enables learners to describe how Terraform can be used to implement infrastructure as a code and to apply some of its key features and functionalities to create and manage Google Cloud infrastructure. Learners will get hands-on practice building Google Cloud resources using Terraform.

Products:

- Compute Engine
- VPC Networking
- Cloud Storage
- Terraform
- Cloud Foundation Toolkit

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Company Events

These events can be delivered exclusively for your company at our locations or yours, specifically for your delegates and your needs. The Company Events can be tailored or standard course deliveries.

Target Audience:

Cloud engineers, DevOps engineers, and individuals who want to start using Terraform to automate infrastructure provisioning with a focus on Google Cloud Platform

Objectives:

■ **After this course participants should be able to:**

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| ■ Define infrastructure as code. | ■ Use variables and output values within the root configuration. |
| ■ Explain the features and benefits of using Terraform. | ■ Explain Terraform Registry and Cloud Foundation Toolkit. |
| ■ Explain the use case of Terraform for Google Cloud. | ■ Define Terraform modules. |
| ■ Describe how to use Terraform for Google Cloud. | ■ Use modules to reuse configurations. |
| ■ Explain the Terraform workflow. | ■ Use modules from the public registry. |
| ■ Create basic configuration files within Terraform. | ■ Use input variables to parameterize configurations. |
| ■ Explain the purpose of a few Terraform commands. | ■ Use output values to access resource attributes outside the module. |
| ■ Describe the Terraform Validator tool. | ■ Define Terraform state. |
| ■ Create, update, and destroy Google Cloud resources using Terraform. | ■ List the benefits of storing the state file remotely. |
| ■ Declare the resources within Terraform. | ■ Explain how to store the Terraform state in a Cloud Storage bucket. |
| ■ Explain implicit and explicit resource dependencies. | ■ Explain Terraform state best practices. |
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Prerequisites:

To get the most out of this course, participants should:

- Complete Google Cloud Fundamentals: Core Infrastructure
- Have basic programming skills and familiarity with using CLI
- Have general familiarity with Google Cloud

Testing and Certification

None

Follow-on-Courses:

None

Content:

Module 01: Introduction to Terraform for Google Cloud

- Introduction to IaC
- What is infrastructure as code (IaC)?
- Problems IaC can solve
- Benefits of IaC
- Provisioning versus configuration
- Imperative versus declarative approach
- Introduction to Terraform
- Terraform overview
- Terraform features
- IaC configuration workflow
- Terraform use cases
- Using Terraform
- How to use Terraform
- Running Terraform in production

Module 02: Terms and concepts

- The Author phase
- Terraform Directory structure
- Introduction to HCL syntax
- Resources
- Variables
- State
- Modules
- Terraform commands
- terraform init
- terraform plan
- terraform apply
- terraform fmt
- terraform destroy
- Terraform Validator tool
- Introduction
- Why use the Terraform Validator tool
- Validation workflow
- Terraform Validator use cases

Module 03: Writing Infrastructure Code for Google Cloud

- Introduction to Resources
- Resources overview
- Syntax
- Example
- Refer a resource attribute
- Considerations to define a resource block
- Meta-arguments for resources
- Resource dependencies
- Implicit dependency
- Explicit dependency
- Introduction to Variables
- Overview
- Syntax to declare a variable
- Syntax to reference and assign a value to a variable
- Variables best practices
- Introduction to output values
- Output values overview
- Best practices
- Terraform Registry and CFT
- Introduction to Terraform Registry
- Introduction to CFT

Module 04: Organizing and Reusing Configuration with Terraform Modules

- Introduction to modules:
- Why are modules needed
- What is a module?
- Example
- Reusing configurations by using modules
- Module sources
- Calling a module into the source configuration
- Using variables to parameterize your configuration
- Pass resource attributes using output variables
- Module use cases, benefits, and best practices

Module 05: Introduction to Terraform State

- Introduction to Terraform state
- How information is stored in a Terraform state file
- Ways to save a state file
- Storing a state file in a Cloud Storage bucket
- Issues when storing the Terraform state locally
- Benefits of storing a state file in a Cloud Storage bucket
- Process of storing a Terraform state file remotely in a Cloud Storage bucket
- Terraform state best practices

Further Information:

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