

## z/OS VSAM and Access Method Services

**Duración: 4 Días**    **Código del Curso: SS83G**    **Método de Impartición: Curso Cerrado (In-Company)**

### Temario:

This course is designed to teach how to manage VSAM and non-VSAM data sets by coding and using the functions and features of the Access Method Services program, IDCAMS.

To reinforce the lecture material, machine exercises are provided that enable students to code and test selected IDCAMS commands such as DEFINE, REPRO, ALTER, and LISTCAT.

Learn to manage Virtual Storage Access Method (VSAM) and non-VSAM data sets. Particularly emphasize coding and using the functions of the IDCAMS program. Lab exercises enable you to code and test selected IDCAMS commands, such as DEFINE, REPRO, ALTER, and LISTCAT.

Hands-On Labs

Eight labs are included to address: **IDCAMS commands, including ALTER, DEFINE, CLUSTER, EXPORT, IMPORT, EXAMINE, LISTCAT, REPRO, and PRINT tuning VSAM and the VSAM buffers alternate indexes**

### Dirigido a:

This is an intermediate course for individuals who manage data sets using IDCAMS and VSAM.

### Objetivos:

- Understand the structure and use of VSAM data sets or clusters
- Code the Job Control Language (JCL) for IDCAMS and programs which process VSAM clusters
- Code IDCAMS commands to define and load VSAM clusters
- Use IDCAMS and JCL options to improve the performance of a VSAM job
- Code IDCAMS commands to define and load alternate indexes
- Reorganize, back up, and recover VSAM and non-VSAM data sets
- Code IDCAMS commands to list, alter, and delete catalog entries
- Interpret an IDCAMS listing of an Integrated Catalog Facility (ICF) catalog
- Code IDCAMS commands to print data sets
- Calculate the Direct Access Storage Device (DASD) space requirements for VSAM clusters
- Select and use the appropriate documentation to utilize VSAM and IDCAMS

### Prerequisites:

You should complete:

- z/OS Facilities (ES15)
- z/OS Job Control Language and Utilities (ES07) or
- Fundamental System Skills in z/OS (ES10)
- or have equivalent experience



## Contenido:

- describe the structure, organization, and use of VSAM clusters
  - discuss the use of the ICF catalog
  - discuss the IDCAMS program
  - explain creation and deletion of VSAM clusters using JCL and the DFSMS data class facility
  - describe the function of REPRO, PRINT and DELETE commands
  - explain how buffer space may impact performance either positively or negatively
  - explain how integrity and security is maintained
  - explain the use of CI and CA FREESPACE
  - explain the basic functions of the ALTER command
  - describe the reasons for using an alternate index
  - explain VSAM advanced functions, extended format data sets, and their major features
  - describe the need for data set backup
  - describe Data-In-Virtual (DIV)
  - explain the use of the DCOLLECT command to gather management and planning information about the storage subsystem
  - explain techniques to conserve virtual storage by sharing buffers and control blocks
  - describe the major functions of CICS VSAM recovery
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- explain how buffer space may impact performance either positively or negatively
- explain how integrity and security is maintained
- explain the use of CI and CA FREESPACE
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