
Migrating to AWS

Duration: 3 Days Course Code: GK4532 Delivery Method: Company Event

Overview:

You will learn about various cloud migration strategies and how to apply each step of the migration process, including portfolio discovery, application migration planning and design, conducting a migration, and post-migration validation and application optimization.

Hands-on labs reinforce learning, and each lab is designed to provide you with the understanding and foundation necessary to complete migration tasks in your organization.

- **Course level:** Intermediate
- **Duration:** 3 days

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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:

This course is intended for:

- Solutions architects
 - Software engineers
 - IT project managers
 - Operation leads
 - Other individuals involved in the planning and running of migration projects
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Objectives:

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| ■ In this course, you will learn to: | ■ Determine an organization's application migration readiness |
| ■ Recognize the common business and technical drivers for migrating to the cloud | ■ Discover a portfolio and gather data necessary for migration |
| ■ Summarize the three phases of a migration and associated objectives, tasks, and stakeholders for each | ■ Plan and design an application migration strategy |
| ■ Describe AWS architecture, tools, and migration best practices | ■ Perform and validate application migration to the cloud |
| ■ Distinguish between the various cloud migration strategies and when each is most appropriate | ■ Optimize applications and operations after migrating to the cloud |
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Prerequisites:

We recommend that attendees of this course have:

- Familiarity with enterprise IT infrastructure (hardware and software)
- Completed the AWS Technical Essentials or Architecting on AWS classroom training
- Achieved their AWS Certified Solutions Architect – Associate certification (optional)

Testing and Certification

None

Follow-on-Courses:

- GK1979 - DevOps Engineering on AWS
 - GK1980 - Advanced Architecting on AWS
 - GK3338 - Security Engineering on AWS
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Content:

Day 1

Module 1: What Is a Cloud Migration?

- Drivers and outcomes of a cloud migration
- Planning for a successful cloud migration
- The three-phase migration process

Module 2: Assessing Migration Readiness

- The assess phase
- Cloud readiness assessment tools
- Examine your IT landscape and build your business case
- Group Exercise: The Cloud Adoption Tool (CART)

Module 3: Preparing for a Migration and Understanding Related Workstreams

- Mobilize phase
- Migration-related workstreams

Module 4: Discovering Landing Zones and Their Benefits

- What is a landing zone?
- Custom multi-account structure with AWS Organizations
- AWS Control Tower
- Customizations for AWS Control Tower (CfCt)
- Planning for connectivity

Module 5: Building a Landing Zone

- Hands-On Lab: Connecting Your On-Premises Network and Directory Services to AWS
- Planning a landing zone
- Design a multi-account structure
- Governance policies
- Planning for connectivity
- Demonstration: AWS Control Tower

Module 6: Discovering the Portfolio and Understanding Migration Strategies

- Detailed portfolio discovery workstream
- Evaluating cloud readiness
- Cloud migration strategies
- Group Exercise: Choose a migration strategy (scenario-based)

Day 2

Module 7: Understanding and Choosing Portfolio Discovery Tools

- Hands-On Lab: Gathering Application Data Necessary for Migration
- Migration Evaluator
- AWS Migration Hub and AWS Application Discovery Service
- AWS Systems Manager and Amazon CloudWatch

Module 8: Planning and Designing a Migration

- Plan the migration overall
- Building the migration factory
- Design the migration for each application
- Group Exercise: Build a migration plan
- Group Exercise: Design for migration

Module 9: Performing the Migration to AWS

- Hands-On Lab: Migrating an Application to AWS
- Server migration process
- Server migration tools
- VMware Cloud on AWS
- AWS Migration Hub
- AWS Application Migration Service (AWS MGN)
- Evaluating server migration tools

Module 10: Understanding Database and Data Migration Services

- Hands-On Lab: Migrating an Existing Database to Amazon Aurora
- Data migration
- Online data migration services
- Offline data migration services
- Database migration

Day 3

Module 11: Understanding Additional Migration Support Options

- AWS Managed Services
- AWS Service Catalog
- AWS Service Catalog integrations
- Microsoft workloads on AWS
- SAP on AWS

Module 12: Integrating, Validating, and Cutting Over Applications

- Migrate and modernize phase
- Cutover strategy

Module 13: Modernizing and Optimizing Applications

- Hands-On Lab: Optimizing an Application with Amazon S3 and Amazon ECS
- Cost optimization
- Performance optimization
- AWS tools used to optimize
- Modernize the enterprise
- Use containers
- Use serverless architectures

Module 14: Understanding Operations Tools, Integration Testing, and Automation

- AWS Config
- Infrastructure and operations as code
- Adopting a DevOps approach
- Automate change and configuration
- Automate management

Module 15: Migration Best Practices

- Hands-On Lab: Automating Application Deployments
 - Course review
 - Best practices
 - Continue your learning
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Additional Information:

Activities

This course includes presentations, hands-on labs, demonstrations, assessments, and group exercises.

Further Information:

For More information, or to book your course, please call us on Head Office 01189 123456 / Northern Office 0113 242 5931

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