

## Certified Software Testing Engineer (CSTE)®

### Course Outline & Module Information



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#### What Modules are covered?

##### Module 1 - Foundation

- 1) Course Objectives
- 2) What is Systems Engineering
- 3) What is Software Systems Engineering?
- 4) Why Should We Use Standards?
- 5) Basic Principles for Standards
- 6) ISO Compared to IEEE
- 7) How Standards are Developed
- 8) Organization of the SESC Standards
- 9) Clauses
- 10) Normative vs. Informative
- 11) What Is in a Standard?
- 12) What Is Not in a Standard?
- 13) Where Standards Can Be Obtained?
- 14) How to Tailor and Apply Standards
- 15) Final Thoughts
- 16) Other Resources

##### Module 2 - STDB - Applying Standard IEEE/EIA 12207 for Software Lifecycle Processes

- 1) Introduction to IEEE/EIA 12207
- 2) Application of the IEEE/EIA 12207
- 3) Applying the IEEE/EIA 12207 to Organizations and Projects
- 4) 12207 Life Cycle Processes and Roles
- 5) IEEE/EIA 12207 Processes and Their Interactions
- 6) Tailoring the Processes
- 7) The Structure of Life Cycle Processes
- 8) The Influence of Total Quality Management
- 9) The Relationship Between Systems and Software
- 10) The Relationship Between Organizations and Parties
- 11) Responding to Technology Evolution
- 12) Events and Milestones
- 13) Documenting Outputs
- 14) The Role of Software Metrics

- 15) Certification and Compliance
- 16) Other Related Standards and Their Relationship

##### Module 3 - Module STDC - IEEE 12207 Project Life Cycles

- 1) Overview of Project Lifecycle
- 2) Types of Prototypes
- 3) Applying Prototyping to Life Cycle Models
- 4) Risks of Prototyping
- 5) Commercial Items (COTS) and Reuse
- 6) Selecting a Software Lifecycle Model
- 7) Which Development Strategy to Pick?
- 8) Using Risk Analysis to Determine the Right Development Strategy
- 9) SLCM Selection Criteria
- 10) Steps in Creating Life Cycle Processes
- 11) SLCM Plans
- 12) SLCM Plan Contents
- 13) Considerations in Implementing and Maintaining the Software
- 14) Establishing Life Cycle Processes
- 15) Monitoring Life Cycle Processes
- 16) Evaluating the Impact of Changes on Life Cycle Processes

##### Module 4 - Module STDD - Applying IEEE Standard 12207.1 for Life Cycle Data

- 1) Overview and Objectives of the Standard
- 2) What is Life Cycle Data?
- 3) Purpose of Life Cycle Data
- 4) Operations on Life Cycle Data
- 5) What Should Life Cycle Data Be?
- 6) Types of Life Cycle Data
- 7) Presentation Form of Life Cycle Data
- 8) Life Cycle Data Formats
- 9) Content Guidelines
- 10) Specific Information Item Content Guidelines

##### Module 5 - STDE - Applying IEEE/EIA Standard 12207

- 1) Overview and Objectives of IEEE/EIA Standard 12207.2
- 2) Using IEEE/EIA 12207.2 as a Guide for Implementing IEEE/EIA 12207.0
- 3) How to Interpret and Apply the Guidance Comments
- 4) IEEE/EIA 12207.0 on Software Reuse
- 5) Joint Management Reviews
- 6) Candidate Reviews
- 7) The Role of Software Metrics
- 8) The Scope of Measurement Categories
- 9) Software Measurement Categories
- 10) Tailoring Software Metrics
- 11) Managing Project Risks with Metrics
- 12) Data Collection to Support Project Metrics
- 13) Example Project Dashboard
- 14) The Goal/Question/Metric Method
- 15) Development and Build Planning
- 16) Problem Categories
- 17) Problem Severity Levels
- 18) Software Product Evaluations
- 19) Evaluation Criteria
- 20) What is Risk Management?
- 21) Risk Planning
- 22) Risk Identification
- 23) Risk Analysis
- 24) Risk Mitigation
- 25) Risk Tracking and Control
- 26) Related Standards to IEEE/EIA 12207

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