IEEE WCET Certification Exam Applications

The IEEE Communications Society, the leading worldwide professional organization dedicated to the advancement of communications technologies, will hold the next IEEE Wireless Communication Engineering Technologies (IEEE WCET) Certification Exam from 2 – 29 October 2011 at Prometric testing centers located worldwide. Eligible candidates are invited to visit www.ieee-wcet.org to learn about IEEE Wireless Communications Professional (IEEE WCP) credential benefits and program news, gain access to the latest resource material, and complete registration applications, which are due by 16 September 2011.

As part of its continuing effort to expand the overall knowledge of wireless communications professionals, ComSoc Training is offering a one-day virtual course dedicated to the evolution of wireless communications technology and emerging IP networks on Wednesday, 3 August 2011. “LTE for the Wireless Engineering Practitioner: Fundamentals & Applications” taught by Daniel Wong, president of Daniel Wireless, LLC, will focus on end-to-end LTE systems including access networks, wireless service architectures and policies, anticipated network management changes and the implications of moving toward all IP-based networks.

The full-day course is available to IEEE/ComSoc members for $225 and to non-members for $275. Individuals who complete the course will be awarded 0.6 IEEE Continuing Education Units. Registration ends 27 July 2011. For more information visit www.comsoc.org/training.

In addition, IEEE ComSoc has also announced details for its next five-day “Virtual Intensive Course on Wireless Communications” to be held 22-26 August 2011. Recommended for professionals with an engineering or technology background as well as individuals with an appreciation for wireless engineering practices, this course is specifically designed to provide a comprehensive overview of network operations, the latest technological implementations and how different facets of wireless communications fit into overall system designs. Visit www.comsoc.org/training [1] for additional up-to-date course and registration information.

“The IEEE WCET Spring 2011 examination period was the most successful in the program’s history and included numerous international candidates from nations ranging from the United States and Canada to Israel, Taiwan and South Africa,” says Celia Desmond, IEEE WCET program director and steering committee chairperson. “Recognized worldwide for its ability to enable practitioners to demonstrate their thorough understanding of key wireless technologies from a global perspective, this program is now firmly embedded as a powerful tool for furthering career development and supporting an industry that continues to grow exponentially with the introduction of fast networks, smartphones, and 4G mobile and broadband applications.”

To earn the IEEE WCP credential, individuals must pass the comprehensive IEEE WCET examination, which is composed of 150 multiple choice questions and offered via computer at testing centers worldwide. IEEE ComSoc recommends that candidates have a degree from an accredited college or university and three or more years of graduate-level educational or professional wireless communication engineering experience in order to be adequately prepared for the exam.

The US$500 fee ($450 for IEEE and IEEE ComSoc members) covers the application, processing charges and “seat fee” for taking the test. In addition, a 75-question practice exam can be purchased online by communications professionals who would like to gauge their preparedness for the official exam prior to the next testing period.

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