

# CENTENNIAL PREPARES YOU FOR ERA OF CLOUD

The advent of cloud computing is one of the most significant trends in the IT industry in years and is radically changing the way the world does business. Now Centennial is offering a new continuing education course starting in April: The CITRIX Academic Network helps you prepare for the era of the cloud.

Centennial College is also the first and only CITRIX IT Academy in Canada. Allan Reid, Centennial's IT and computers program supervisor, says,

"CITRIX chose Centennial and they've made us both a student and an instructor training centre for the new CITRIX IT Academy, which they have just recently announced. CITRIX has a whole range of products and we're involved with their server virtualization products."

A person with previous Microsoft experience would be well suited for the program, says Reid. "It's really set up for someone who has a Windows background already, or has been involved in installing a Microsoft-based network."

Industry analysts expect the transition from the PC era to the cloud era to fuel a massive build-out in cloud infrastructure, creating a new market projected to exceed \$11 billion by the end of 2013.

"People are now expecting the services to be anywhere they are, when they want them," says Reid. "It's a changing world in IT and we're looking at what is required, what industry wants, what the users want, and right now it seems to be all about the cloud."



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