

# Advanced Linux for Cyber Analysts Training Course

## Professional Development Training Course Outline

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|----------|----------------------|---------------|-------------------------|
| Category | Defense and Security | Duration      | 10 Days                 |
| Base Fee | \$3,000 USD          | Delivery Mode | Online / On-site Hybrid |

### Course Introduction

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### Programme Curriculum

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### **Course Objectives**

1. Master advanced Linux commands, shell scripting, and automation for cyber analysis.
2. Configure and harden Linux systems to prevent unauthorized access.
3. Monitor system logs and processes for suspicious activities.
4. Conduct network analysis and packet inspection using Linux-based tools.
5. Implement intrusion detection and prevention techniques on Linux servers.
6. Perform forensic investigations using Linux utilities and open-source frameworks.
7. Analyze malware behavior and system compromise in Linux environments.
8. Apply threat hunting methodologies leveraging Linux tools and scripts.
9. Integrate Linux systems with Security Information and Event Management (SIEM) platforms.
10. Conduct vulnerability assessments and patch management using Linux.
11. Automate repetitive cyber defense tasks via scripting and cron jobs.
12. Develop Linux-based reporting and visualization of security metrics.
13. Ensure compliance with cybersecurity frameworks and standards in Linux environments.

### **Organizational Benefits**

- Strengthened cybersecurity posture through advanced Linux monitoring
- Improved threat detection and incident response capabilities
- Enhanced forensic investigation and root cause analysis
- Reduced system vulnerabilities and misconfigurations
- Greater operational efficiency through automation and scripting
- Better integration with SIEM, IDS, and SOC workflows
- Reduced risk of data breaches and unauthorized access
- Enhanced reporting, auditing, and compliance processes
- Empowered IT and security teams with advanced Linux skills
- Increased resilience of critical systems and infrastructure

### **Target Audiences**

- Cybersecurity analysts and incident responders
- Linux system administrators
- Threat hunters and SOC operators
- Security engineers and architects
- IT auditors and compliance officers
- Penetration testers and ethical hackers
- Forensic analysts and malware researchers
- IT managers overseeing security operations

**Course Duration:** 10 days

## Course Modules

### Module 1: Advanced Linux Command-Line Skills

- Master shell navigation, text processing, and file manipulation commands
- Use advanced pipelines, filters, and regular expressions
- Automate tasks using Bash scripting
- Manage system processes and job scheduling
- Configure environment variables for security operations
- Case Study: Automating log analysis with shell scripts

### Module 2: Linux System Hardening

- Apply best practices for securing Linux servers
- Configure user permissions, sudoers, and authentication mechanisms
- Implement file system security and access controls
- Harden network services and ports
- Enable and configure firewall and SELinux/AppArmor policies
- Case Study: Hardening a production Linux server against attacks

### Module 3: Process & Kernel Monitoring

- Monitor running processes, threads, and services
- Analyze kernel messages and system logs for anomalies
- Use monitoring tools such as top, htop, ps, and dstat
- Understand Linux kernel modules and drivers for security
- Detect malicious processes and hidden rootkits
- Case Study: Detecting unauthorized processes on a critical server

### Module 4: Network Analysis & Packet Inspection

- Capture and analyze network packets using tcpdump and Wireshark
- Inspect TCP/IP stack and network interfaces
- Monitor traffic for unusual patterns and anomalies
- Use netstat, ss, and ip commands for network troubleshooting
- Identify unauthorized connections and suspicious traffic
- Case Study: Investigating a network breach using Linux tools

### Module 5: Log Management & Security Monitoring

- Collect, centralize, and analyze system logs
- Configure syslog, rsyslog, and journald for monitoring
- Detect anomalies in authentication and system events
- Use log analysis tools for incident response
- Integrate logs with SIEM platforms for real-time alerting
- Case Study: Investigating failed login attempts and privilege escalation

### Module 6: Intrusion Detection & Prevention

- Deploy and configure host-based intrusion detection systems (HIDS)
- Monitor file integrity and system behavior for malicious activity
- Configure Snort or Suricata for intrusion detection

- Analyze alerts and prioritize incidents
- Implement automated responses to detected threats
- Case Study: Responding to a simulated intrusion using Linux IDS

## **Module 7: Forensic Investigation Techniques**

- Collect evidence without altering system state
- Examine file systems, memory dumps, and logs
- Recover deleted files and investigate suspicious artifacts
- Use Linux forensic tools such as SleuthKit and Autopsy
- Prepare forensic reports for internal or legal purposes
- Case Study: Forensic analysis of a compromised Linux workstation

## **Module 8: Malware Analysis on Linux**

- Identify and isolate malware samples in Linux environments
- Analyze behavior using process monitoring and network analysis
- Reverse engineer scripts and binaries for threat intelligence
- Detect persistence mechanisms and rootkits
- Document and report malware findings
- Case Study: Analyzing a Linux ransomware attack

## **Module 9: Threat Hunting & Intelligence Gathering**

- Use Linux tools for proactive threat hunting
- Monitor system indicators of compromise (IoCs)
- Collect threat intelligence from open-source platforms
- Automate threat detection using scripts
- Correlate system and network events for actionable insights
- Case Study: Hunting for stealthy attackers on Linux servers

## **Module 10: Vulnerability Assessment & Patch Management**

- Scan Linux systems for vulnerabilities using open-source tools
- Analyze patch management processes and compliance gaps
- Remediate vulnerabilities without disrupting services
- Track and document vulnerability fixes
- Integrate findings into security risk dashboards
- Case Study: Conducting a vulnerability assessment for a Linux server farm

## **Module 11: Automation & Scripting for Cybersecurity**

- Write Bash and Python scripts for routine security tasks
- Automate system monitoring, log parsing, and report generation
- Schedule automated tasks using cron jobs
- Use scripts for rapid incident response
- Maintain scripts securely and test for accuracy
- Case Study: Automating alert triage and reporting for SOC operations

## **Module 12: Security Tool Integration**

- Integrate Linux with SIEM, IDS, and vulnerability scanners

- Configure logging and monitoring agents
- Collect and normalize data from Linux endpoints
- Build dashboards for security metrics
- Validate tool performance and alert accuracy
- Case Study: Integrating Linux logs with a SIEM platform

### **Module 13: Compliance & Governance**

- Implement security policies aligned with cybersecurity frameworks
- Document configurations, monitoring, and incident response plans
- Conduct internal audits and policy compliance checks
- Track regulatory requirements for Linux-based infrastructure
- Report compliance status to management and regulators
- Case Study: Ensuring compliance with ISO/IEC 27001 on Linux servers

### **Module 14: Incident Response & Recovery**

- Prepare incident response plans specific to Linux environments
- Investigate, contain, and remediate security incidents
- Recover compromised systems and validate integrity
- Conduct root cause analysis and lessons learned
- Update policies and playbooks based on incidents
- Case Study: Responding to a simulated Linux ransomware outbreak

### **Module 15: Advanced Security Analytics & Reporting**

- Use Linux-based analytics tools for security intelligence
- Generate actionable security metrics and reports
- Correlate events across multiple endpoints
- Visualize security trends for SOC and management dashboards
- Recommend improvements based on analytics insights
- Case Study: Reporting and mitigating persistent threats in enterprise Linux

### **Training Methodology**

- Instructor-led presentations and live demonstrations
- Hands-on labs and practical exercises on Linux environments
- Real-world case study analysis and scenario simulations
- Group exercises, problem-solving tasks, and collaborative labs
- Use of open-source Linux security and monitoring tools
- Continuous assessments, quizzes, and feedback sessions

### **Register as a group from 3 participants for a Discount**

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### **Certification**

*Upon successful completion of this training, participants will be issued with a globally- recognized certificate.*

### **Tailor-Made Course**

*We also offer tailor-made courses based on your needs.*

**Key Notes**

- a. The participant must be conversant with English.
- b. Upon completion of training the participant will be issued with an Authorized Training Certificate
- c. Course duration is flexible and the contents can be modified to fit any number of days.
- d. The course fee includes facilitation training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch and A Certificate upon successful completion of Training.
- e. One-year post-training support Consultation and Coaching provided after the course.
- f. Payment should be done at least a week before commence of the training, to Fineskill Training Center account, as indicated in the invoice so as to enable us prepare better for you.

**Upcoming Scheduled Sessions**

| Start Date  | End Date    | Location | Price   |
|-------------|-------------|----------|---------|
| 21 Sep 2026 | 02 Oct 2026 | Online   | \$2,000 |
| 21 Sep 2026 | 02 Oct 2026 | Physical | \$3,000 |
| 21 Sep 2026 | 02 Oct 2026 | Physical | \$0     |
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