



Certified Ethical Hacker - CEH v12 Syllabus

Module 01: Introduction to Ethical Hacking

2 Hours - 11 Topics

Cover the fundamentals of key issues in the information security world, including the basics of ethical hacking, information security controls, relevant laws, and standard procedures.

Key topics covered:

- Elements of Information Security (Day 1)
- Cyber Kill Chain Methodology (Day 1)
- MITRE ATT&CK Framework (Day 1)
- Hacker Classes, Ethical Hacking (Day 1)
- Information Assurance (IA) (Day 1)
- Risk Management (Day 1)
- Incident Management (Day 1)
- PCI DSS (Day 1)
- HIPPA (Day 1)
- SOX (Day 1)
- GDPR (Day 1)

Module 02: Foot Printing and Reconnaissance

Learn how to use the latest techniques and tools to perform foot printing and reconnaissance, a critical pre-attack phase of the ethical hacking process.

Hands-On Lab Exercises:

Over 30 hands-on exercises with real-life simulated targets to build skills on how to:

- Perform foot printing on the target network using search engines, web services, and social networking sites (Day 2)
- Perform website, email, whois, DNS, and network foot printing on the target network (Day 2)

Module 03: Scanning Networks

2 Hours - 2 Topics

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Cover the fundamentals of key issues in the information security world, including the basics of ethical hacking, information security controls, relevant laws, and standard procedures.

Hands-On Lab Exercises:

Over 10 hands-on exercises with real-life simulated targets to build skills on how to:

- Perform host, port, service, and OS discovery on the target network (Day 3)
- Perform scanning on the target network beyond IDS and firewall (Day 3)

Module 04: Enumeration

2 Hours - 1 Topic

Learn various enumeration techniques, such as Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) and Network File Sharing (NFS) exploits, plus associated countermeasures. *Hands-On Lab Exercises:*

Over 20 hands-on exercises with real-life simulated targets to build skills on how to:





• Perform NetBIOS, SNMP, LDAP, NFS, DNS, SMTP, RPC, SMB, and FTP Enumeration (Day 4)

Learn how to identify security loopholes in a target organization's network, communication infrastructure, and end systems.

Hands-On Lab Exercises:

Over 5 hands-on exercises with real-life simulated targets to build skills on how to:

- Perform vulnerability research using vulnerability scoring systems and databases (Day 5)
- Perform vulnerability assessment using various vulnerability assessment tools (Day 5)

Module 06: System Hacking

Learn about the various system hacking methodologies—including steganography, steganalysis attacks, and covering tracks—used to discover system and network vulnerabilities.

Hands-On Lab Exercises:

Over 25 hands-on exercises with real-life simulated targets to build skills on how to:

- Perform Online active online attack to crack the system's password (Day 6)
- Perform buffer overflow attack to gain access to a remote system (Day 6)
- Escalate privileges using privilege escalation tools (Day 6)
- Escalate privileges in linux machine (Day 6)
- Hide data using steganography (Day 6)
- Clear Windows and Linux machine logs using various utilities (Day 6)
- Hiding artifacts in Windows and Linux machines (Day 6)

Module 07: Malware Threats

Get an introduction to the different types of malware, such as Trojans, viruses, and worms, as well as system auditing for malware attacks, malware analysis, and countermeasures.

Hands-On Lab Exercises:

Over 20 hands-on exercises with real-life simulated targets to build skills on how to:

- Gain control over a victim machine using Trojan (Day 7)
- Infect the target system using a virus (Day 7)
- Perform static and dynamic malware analysis (Day 7)

Key topics covered:

- Malware (Day 7)
- Components of Malware (Day 7)
- APT (Day 7)
- Trojan (Day 7)
- Types of Trojans (Day 7)
- Exploit Kits (Day 7)
- Virus (Day 7)



2 Hours - 2 Topics

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- Virus Lifecycle (Day 7)
- Types of Viruses (Day 7)
- Ransomware (Day 7)
- Computer Worms (Day 7)
- Fileless Malware (Day 7)
- Malware Analysis (Day 7)
- Static Malware Analysis (Day 7)
- Dynamic Malware Analysis (Day 7)
- Virus Detection Methods (Day 7)
- Trojan Analysis (Day 7)
- Virus Analysis (Day 7)
- Fileless Malware Analysis (Day 7)
- Anti-Trojan Software (Day 7)
- Antivirus Software (Day 7)
- Fileless Malware Detection Tools (Day 7)

Module 08: Sniffing

2 Hours - 14 Topics

Learn about packet-sniffing techniques and how to use them to discover network vulnerabilities, as well as countermeasures to defend against sniffing attacks. *Hands-On Lab Exercises:*

Over 10 hands-on exercises with real-life simulated targets to build skills on how to:

- Perform MAC flooding, ARP poisoning, MITM and DHCP starvation attack (Day
 8)
- Spoof a MAC address of Linux machine (Day 8)
- Perform network sniffing using various sniffing tools (Day 8)
- Detect ARP poisoning in a switch-based network (Day 8)

- Network Sniffing (Day 8)
- SWiretapping (Day 8)
- MAC Flooding (Day 8)
- DHCP Starvation Attack (Day 8)
- ARP Spoofing Attack (Day 8)
- ARP Poisoning (Day 8)
- ARP Poisoning Tools (Day 8)
- MAC Spoofing (Day 8)
- STP Attack (Day 8)
- DNS Poisoning (Day 8)
- DNS Poisoning (Day 8) Tools
- Sniffing Tools (Day 8)
- Sniffer Detection Techniques (Day 8)
- Promiscuous Detection Tools (Day 8)



2 Hours - 6 Topics

Learn social engineering concepts and techniques, including how to identify theft attempts, audit human-level vulnerabilities, and suggest social engineering countermeasures.

Hands-On Lab Exercises:

Over 4 hands-on exercises with real-life simulated targets to build skills on how to:

- Perform social engineering using Various Techniques (Day 9)
- Spoof a MAC address of a Linux machine (Day 9)
- Detect a phishing attack (Day 9)
- Audit an organization's security for phishing attacks (Day 9)

Key topics covered:

- Social Engineering (Day 9)
- Types of Social Engineering (Day 9)
- Phishing (Day 9)
- Phishing Tools (Day 9)
- Insider Threats/Insider Attacks (Day 9)
- Identity Theft (Day 9)

Module 10: Denial-of-Service

2 Hours - 7 Topics

Learn about different Denial-of-Service (DoS) and Distributed DoS (DDoS) attack techniques, as well as the tools used to audit a target and devise DoS and DDoS countermeasures and protections.

Hands-On Lab Exercises:

Over 5 hands-on exercises with real-life simulated targets to build skills on how to:

- Perform a DoS and DDoS attack on a target host (Day 10)
- Detect and protect against DoS and DDoS attacks (Day 10)

Key topics covered:

- DoS Attack (Day 10)
- DDoS Attack
- Botnets
- DoS/DDoS Attack Techniques
- DoS/DDoS Attack Tools
- DoS/DDoS Attack Detection Techniques
- DoS/DDoS Protection Tools

Module 11: Session Hijacking

2 Hours - 14 Topics

Understand the various session hijacking techniques used to discover network-level session management, authentication, authorization, and cryptographic weaknesses and associated countermeasures.

Hands-On Lab Exercises:

Over 4 hands-on exercises with real-life simulated targets to build skills on how to:

- Perform session hijacking using various tools (Day 11)
- Detect session hijacking (Day 11)



Key topics covered:

- Session Hijacking (Day 11)
- Types of Session Hijacking (Day 11)
- Spoofing (Day 11)
- Application-Level Session Hijacking (Day 11)
- Man-in-the-Browser Attack (Day 11)
- Client-side Attacks (Day 11)
- Session Replay Attacks (Day 11)
- Session Fixation Attack (Day 11)
- CRIME Attack (Day 11)
- Network Level Session Hijacking (Day 11)
- TCP/IP Hijacking (Day 11)
- Session Hijacking Tools (Day 11)
- Session Hijacking Detection Methods (Day 11)
- Session Hijacking Prevention Tools (Day 11)

Module 12: Evading IDS, Firewalls, and Honeypots 2 Hours - 3 Topics

Get introduced to firewall, intrusion detection system, and honeypot evasion techniques; the tools used to audit a network perimeter for weaknesses; and countermeasures.

Hands-On Lab Exercises:

Over 7 hands-on exercises with real-life simulated targets to build skills on how to:

- Bypass Windows Firewall (Day 12)
- Bypass firewall rules using tunneling (Day 12)
- Bypass antivirus (Day 12)

Module 13: Hacking Web Servers

2 Hours - 10 Topics

Learn about web server attacks, including a comprehensive attack methodology used to audit vulnerabilities in web server infrastructures and countermeasures. *Hands-On Lab Exercises:*

Over 8 hands-on exercises with real-life simulated targets to build skills on how to:

- Perform web server reconnaissance using various tools (Day 13)
- Enumerate web server information (Day 13)
- Crack FTP credentials using a dictionary attack (Day 13)

- Web Server Operations (Day 13)
- Web Server Attacks (Day 13)
- DNS Server Hijacking (Day 13)
- Website Defacement (Day 13)
- Web Cache Poisoning Attack (Day 13)
- Web Server Attack Methodology (Day 13)
- Web Server Attack Tools (Day 13)
- Web Server Security Tools (Day 13)
- Patch Management (Day 13)





• Patch Management Tools (Day 13)

Module 14: Hacking Web Applications

2 Hours - 8 Topics

Learn about web application attacks, including a comprehensive web application hacking methodology used to audit vulnerabilities in web applications and countermeasures.

Hands-On Lab Exercises:

Over 15 hands-on exercises with real-life simulated targets to build skills on how to:

- Perform web application reconnaissance using various tools (Day 14)
- Perform web spidering (Day 14)
- Perform web application vulnerability scanning (Day 14)
- Perform a brute-force attack (Day 14)
- Perform Cross-Site Request Forgery (CSRF) Attack (Day 14)
- Identify XSS vulnerabilities in web applications (Day 14)
- Detect web application vulnerabilities using various web application security tools (Day 14)

Key topics covered:

- Web Application Architecture (Day 14)
- Web Application Threats (Day 14)
- OWASP Top 10 Application Security Risks 2021 (Day 14)
- Web Application Hacking Methodology (Day 14)
- Web API (Day 14)
- Webhooks and Web Shell (Day 14)
- Web API Hacking Methodology (Day 14)
- Web Application Security (Day 14)

Module 15: SQL Injection

2 Hours - 7 Topics

Learn about SQL injection attack techniques, injection detection tools, and countermeasures to detect and defend against SQL injection attempts. *Hands-On Lab Exercises:*

Over 4 hands-on exercises with real-life simulated targets to build skills on how to:

- Perform an SQL injection attack against MSSQL to extract databases (Day 15)
- Detect SQL injection vulnerabilities using various SQL injection detection tools (Day 15)

- SQL Injection (Day 15)
- Types of SQL injection (Day 15)
- Blind SQL Injection (Day 15)
- SQL Injection Methodology (Day 15)
- SQL Injection Tools (Day 15)
- Signature Evasion Techniques (Day 15)
- SQL Injection Detection Tools (Day 15)



Module 16: Hacking Wireless Networks

2 Hours - 11 Topics

Learn about wireless encryption, wireless hacking methodologies and tools, and Wi-Fi security tools

Hands-On Lab Exercises:

Over 3 hands-on exercises with real-life simulated targets to build skills on how to:

- Foot Print a wireless network (Day 16)
- Perform wireless traffic analysis (Day 16)
- Crack WEP, WPA, and WPA2 networks (Day 16)
- Create a rogue access point to capture data packets (Day 16)

Key topics covered:

- Wireless Terminology (Day 16)
- Wireless Networks (Day 16)
- Wireless Encryption (Day 16)
- Wireless Threats (Day 16)
- Wireless Hacking Methodology (Day 16)
- Wi-Fi Encryption Cracking (Day 16)
- WEP/WPA/WPA2 Cracking Tools (Day 16)
- Bluetooth Hacking (Day 16)
- Bluetooth Threats (Day 16)
- Wi-Fi Security Auditing Tools (Day 16)
- Bluetooth Security Tools (Day 16)

Module 17: Hacking Mobile Platforms

2 Hours - 12 Topics

Learn about mobile platform attack vectors, Android vulnerability exploits, and mobile security guidelines and tools.

Hands-On Lab Exercises:

Over 5 hands-on exercises with real-life simulated targets to build skills on how to:

- Hack an Android device by creating binary payloads (Day 17)
- Exploit the Android platform through ADB (Day 17)
- Hack an Android device by creating APK file (Day 17)
- Secure Android devices using various Android security tools (Day 17)

- Mobile Platform Attack Vectors (Day 17)
- OWASP Top 10 Mobile Risks (Day 17)
- App Sandboxing, SMS Phishing Attack (SMiShing) (Day 17)
- Android Rooting (Day 17)
- Hacking Android Devices (Day 17)
- Android Security Tools (Day 17)
- Jailbreaking iOS (Day 17)
- Hacking iOS Devices (Day 17)
- iOS Device Security Tools (Day 17)
- Mobile Device Management (MDM) (Day 17)
- OWASP Top 10 Mobile Controls (Day 17)
- Mobile Security Tools (Day 17)



Module 18: IoT and OT Hacking

2 Hours - 13 Topics

Learn about packet-sniffing techniques and how to use them to discover network vulnerabilities, as well as countermeasures to defend against sniffing attacks. *Hands-On Lab Exercises:*

Over 2 hands-on exercises with real-life simulated targets to build skills on how to:

- Gather information using Online foot printing tools (Day 18)
- Capture and analyze IoT device traffic (Day 18)

Key topics covered:

- IoT Architecture (Day 18)
- IoT Communication Models (Day 18)
- OWASP Top 10 IoT Threats (Day 18)
- IoT Vulnerabilities (Day 18)
- IoT Hacking Methodology (Day 18)
- IoT Hacking Tools (Day 18)
- IoT Security Tools (Day 18)
- IT/OT Convergence (IIOT) (Day 18)
- ICS/SCADA, OT Vulnerabilities (Day 18)
- OT Attacks (Day 18)
- OT Hacking Methodology (Day 18)
- OT Hacking Tools (Day 18)
- OT Security Tools (Day 18)

Module 19: Cloud Computing

2 Hours - 16 Topics

Learn different cloud computing concepts, such as container technologies and server less computing, various cloud-based threats and attacks, and cloud security techniques and tools.

Hands-On Lab Exercises:

Over 5 hands-on exercises with real-life simulated targets to build skills on how to:

- Perform S3 Bucket enumeration using various S3 bucket enumeration tools (Day 19)
- Exploit open S3 buckets (Day 19)

• Escalate IAM user privileges by exploiting misconfigured user policy (Day 19)

- Cloud Computing (Day 19)
- Types of Cloud Computing Services (Day 19)
- Cloud Deployment Models (Day 19)
- Fog and Edge Computing (Day 19)
- Cloud Service Providers (Day 19)
- Container (Day 19)
- Docker (Day 19)
- Kubernetes (Day 19)
- Serverless Computing (Day 19)
- OWASP Top 10 Cloud Security Risks (Day 19)
- Container and Kubernetes Vulnerabilities (Day 19)





- Cloud Attacks (Day 19)
- Cloud Hacking (Day 19)
- Cloud Network Security (Day 19)
- Cloud Security Controls (Day 19)
- Cloud Security Tools (Day 19)

Module 20: Cryptography

2 Hours - 10 Topics

In the final module, learn about cryptography and ciphers, public-key infrastructure, cryptography attacks, and cryptanalysis tools.

Hands-On Lab Exercises:

Over 10 hands-on exercises with real-life simulated targets to build skills on how to:

- Calculate MD5 hashes (Day 20)
- Perform file and text message encryption (Day 20)
- Create and use self-signed certificates (Day 20)
- Perform email and disk encryption (Day 20)
- Perform cryptanalysis using various cryptanalysis tools (Day 20)

- Cryptography (Day 20)
- Encryption Algorithms (Day 20)
- MD5 and MD6 Hash Calculators (Day 20)
- Cryptography Tools (Day 20)
- Public Key Infrastructure (PKI) (Day 20)
- Email Encryption (Day 20)
- Disk Encryption (Day 20)
- Cryptanalysis (Day 20)
- Cryptography Attacks (Day 20)
- Key Stretching (Day 20)