

# uCertify

## Course Outline

### Advanced Programming in the UNIX Environment



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1. Exercises, Quizzes, Flashcards & Glossary

Number of Questions

2. Expert Instructor-Led Training

3. ADA Compliant & JAWS Compatible Platform

4. State of the Art Educator Tools

5. Award Winning Learning Platform (LMS)

6. Chapter & Lessons

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Chapter 5: Files and Directories

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Videos and How To

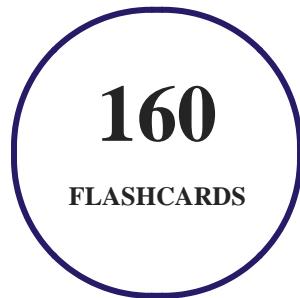
## 7. Live labs

Lab Tasks

Here's what you get

## 1. flashcards

Flashcards are effective memory-aiding tools that help you learn complex topics easily. The flashcard will help you in memorizing definitions, terminologies, key concepts, and more. There is no limit to the number of times learners can attempt these. Flashcards help master the key concepts.



## 2. Glossary of terms

uCertify provides detailed explanations of concepts relevant to the course through Glossary. It contains a list of frequently used terminologies along with its detailed explanation. Glossary defines the key terms.



### 3. Expert Instructor-Led Training

uCertify uses the content from the finest publishers and only the IT industry's finest instructors. They have a minimum of 15 years real-world experience and are subject matter experts in their fields. Unlike a live class, you can study at your own pace. This creates a personal learning experience and gives you all the benefit of hands-on training with the flexibility of doing it around your schedule 24/7.

### 4. ADA Compliant & JAWS Compatible Platform

uCertify course and labs are ADA (Americans with Disability Act) compliant. It is now more accessible to students with features such as:

- Change the font, size, and color of the content of the course
- Text-to-speech, reads the text into spoken words
- Interactive videos, how-tos videos come with transcripts and voice-over
- Interactive transcripts, each word is clickable. Students can clip a specific part of the video by clicking on a word or a portion of the text.

JAWS (Job Access with Speech) is a computer screen reader program for Microsoft Windows that reads the screen either with a text-to-speech output or by a Refreshable Braille display. Student can easily navigate uCertify course using JAWS shortcut keys.

### 5. State of the Art Educator Tools

uCertify knows the importance of instructors and provide tools to help them do their job effectively. Instructors are able to clone and customize course. Do ability grouping. Create sections. Design grade scale and grade formula. Create and schedule assessments. Educators can also move a student from self-paced to mentor-guided to instructor-led mode in three clicks.

### 6. Award Winning Learning Platform (LMS)

uCertify has developed an award winning, highly interactive yet simple to use platform. The SIIA CODiE Awards is the only peer-reviewed program to showcase business and education technology's finest products and services. Since 1986, thousands of products, services and solutions have been

recognized for achieving excellence. uCertify has won CODiE awards consecutively for last 7 years:

- **2014**

1. Best Postsecondary Learning Solution

- **2015**

1. Best Education Solution
2. Best Virtual Learning Solution
3. Best Student Assessment Solution
4. Best Postsecondary Learning Solution
5. Best Career and Workforce Readiness Solution
6. Best Instructional Solution in Other Curriculum Areas
7. Best Corporate Learning/Workforce Development Solution

- **2016**

1. Best Virtual Learning Solution
2. Best Education Cloud-based Solution
3. Best College and Career Readiness Solution
4. Best Corporate / Workforce Learning Solution
5. Best Postsecondary Learning Content Solution
6. Best Postsecondary LMS or Learning Platform
7. Best Learning Relationship Management Solution

- **2017**

1. Best Overall Education Solution
2. Best Student Assessment Solution
3. Best Corporate/Workforce Learning Solution
4. Best Higher Education LMS or Learning Platform

- **2018**

1. Best Higher Education LMS or Learning Platform

2. Best Instructional Solution in Other Curriculum Areas
3. Best Learning Relationship Management Solution

- **2019**
  1. Best Virtual Learning Solution
  2. Best Content Authoring Development or Curation Solution
  3. Best Higher Education Learning Management Solution (LMS)
- **2020**
  1. Best College and Career Readiness Solution
  2. Best Cross-Curricular Solution
  3. Best Virtual Learning Solution

## 7. Chapter & Lessons

uCertify brings these textbooks to life. It is full of interactive activities that keeps the learner engaged. uCertify brings all available learning resources for a topic in one place so that the learner can efficiently learn without going to multiple places. Challenge questions are also embedded in the chapters so learners can attempt those while they are learning about that particular topic. This helps them grasp the concepts better because they can go over it again right away which improves learning.

Learners can do Flashcards, Exercises, Quizzes and Labs related to each chapter. At the end of every lesson, uCertify courses guide the learners on the path they should follow.

## Syllabus

### Chapter 1: Preface

- Introduction
- Changes from the Second Edition

## Chapter 2: UNIX System Overview

- Introduction
- UNIX Architecture
- Logging In
- Files and Directories
- Input and Output
- Programs and Processes
- Error Handling
- User Identification
- Signals
- Time Values
- System Calls and Library Functions
- Summary
- Exercises

## Chapter 3: UNIX Standardization and Implementations

- Introduction
- UNIX Standardization

- UNIX System Implementations
- Relationship of Standards and Implementations
- Limits
- Options
- Feature Test Macros
- Primitive System Data Types
- Differences Between Standards
- Summary
- Exercises

## Chapter 4: File I/O

- Introduction
- File Descriptors
- open and openat Functions
- creat Function
- close Function
- lseek Function
- read Function

- write Function
- I/O Efficiency
- File Sharing
- Atomic Operations
- dup and dup2 Functions
- sync, fsync, and fdatasync Functions
- fcntl Function
- ioctl Function
- /dev/fd
- Summary
- Exercises

## Chapter 5: Files and Directories

- Introduction
- stat, fstat, fstatat, and lstat Functions
- File Types
- Set-User-ID and Set-Group-ID
- File Access Permissions

- Ownership of New Files and Directories
- access and faccessat Functions
- umask Function
- chmod, fchmod, and fchmodat Functions
- Sticky Bit
- chown, fchown, fchownat, and lchown Functions
- File Size
- File Truncation
- File Systems
- link, linkat, unlink, unlinkat, and remove Functions
- rename and renameat Functions
- Symbolic Links
- Creating and Reading Symbolic Links
- File Times
- futimens, utimensat, and utimes Functions
- mkdir, mkdirat, and rmdir Functions
- Reading Directories

- chdir, fchdir, and getcwd Functions
- Device Special Files
- Summary of File Access Permission Bits
- Summary
- Exercises

## Chapter 6: Standard I/O Library

- Introduction
- Streams and FILE Objects
- Standard Input, Standard Output, and Standard Error
- Buffering
- Opening a Stream
- Reading and Writing a Stream
- Line-at-a-Time I/O
- Standard I/O Efficiency
- Binary I/O
- Positioning a Stream
- Formatted I/O

- Implementation Details
- Temporary Files
- Memory Streams
- Alternatives to Standard I/O
- Summary
- Exercises

## Chapter 7: System Data Files and Information

- Introduction
- Password File
- Shadow Passwords
- Group File
- Supplementary Group IDs
- Implementation Differences
- Other Data Files
- Login Accounting
- System Identification
- Time and Date Routines

- Summary
- Exercises

## Chapter 8: Process Environment

- Introduction
- main Function
- Process Termination
- Command-Line Arguments
- Environment List
- Memory Layout of a C Program
- Shared Libraries
- Memory Allocation
- Environment Variables
- setjmp and longjmp Functions
- getrlimit and setrlimit Functions
- Summary
- Exercises

## Chapter 9: Process Control

- Introduction
- Process Identifiers
- fork Function
- vfork Function
- exit Functions
- wait and waitpid Functions
- waitid Function
- wait3 and wait4 Functions
- Race Conditions
- exec Functions
- Changing User IDs and Group IDs
- Interpreter Files
- system Function
- Process Accounting
- User Identification
- Process Scheduling
- Process Times

- Summary
- Exercises

## Chapter 10: Process Relationships

- Introduction
- Terminal Logins
- Network Logins
- Process Groups
- Sessions
- Controlling Terminal
- tcgetpgrp, tcsetpgrp, and tcgetsid Functions
- Job Control
- Shell Execution of Programs
- Orphaned Process Groups
- FreeBSD Implementation
- Summary
- Exercises

## Chapter 11: Signals

- Introduction
- Signal Concepts
- signal Function
- Unreliable Signals
- Interrupted System Calls
- Reentrant Functions
- SIGCLD Semantics
- Reliable-Signal Terminology and Semantics
- kill and raise Functions
- alarm and pause Functions
- Signal Sets
- sigprocmask Function
- sigpending Function
- sigaction Function
- sigsetjmp and siglongjmp Functions
- sigsuspend Function
- abort Function

- system Function
- sleep, nanosleep, and clock\_nanosleep Functions
- sigqueue Function
- Job-Control Signals
- Signal Names and Numbers
- Summary
- Exercises

## Chapter 12: Threads

- Introduction
- Thread Concepts
- Thread Identification
- Thread Creation
- Thread Termination
- Thread Synchronization
- Summary
- Exercises

## Chapter 13: Thread Control

- Introduction
- Thread Limits
- Thread Attributes
- Synchronization Attributes
- Reentrancy
- Thread-Specific Data
- Cancel Options
- Threads and Signals
- Threads and fork
- Threads and I/O
- Summary
- Exercises

## Chapter 14: Daemon Processes

- Introduction
- Daemon Characteristics
- Coding Rules
- Error Logging

- Single-Instance Daemons
- Daemon Conventions
- Client–Server Model
- Summary
- Exercises

## Chapter 15: Advanced I/O

- Introduction
- Nonblocking I/O
- Record Locking
- I/O Multiplexing
- Asynchronous I/O
  - `readv` and `writev` Functions
  - `readn` and `writen` Functions
- Memory-Mapped I/O
- Summary
- Exercises

## Chapter 16: Interprocess Communication

- Introduction
- Pipes
- `popen` and `pclose` Functions
- Coprocesses
- FIFOs
- XSI IPC
- Message Queues
- Semaphores
- Shared Memory
- POSIX Semaphores
- Client–Server Properties
- Summary
- Exercises

## Chapter 17: Network IPC: Sockets

- Introduction
- Socket Descriptors
- Addressing

- Connection Establishment
- Data Transfer
- Socket Options
- Out-of-Band Data
- Nonblocking and Asynchronous I/O
- Summary
- Exercises

## Chapter 18: Advanced IPC

- Introduction
- UNIX Domain Sockets
- Unique Connections
- Passing File Descriptors
- An Open Server, Version 1
- An Open Server, Version 2
- Summary
- Exercises

## Chapter 19: Terminal I/O

- Introduction
- Overview
- Special Input Characters
- Getting and Setting Terminal Attributes
- Terminal Option Flags
- stty Command
- Baud Rate Functions
- Line Control Functions
- Terminal Identification
- Canonical Mode
- Noncanonical Mode
- Terminal Window Size
- termcap, terminfo, and curses
- Summary
- Exercises

## Chapter 20: Pseudo Terminals

- Introduction

- Overview
- Opening Pseudo-Terminal Devices
- pty\_fork Function
- pty Program
- Using the pty Program
- Advanced Features
- Summary
- Exercises

## Chapter 21: A Database Library

- Introduction
- History
- The Library
- Implementation Overview
- Centralized or Decentralized?
- Concurrency
- Building the Library
- Source Code

- Performance

- Summary

- Exercises

## Chapter 22: Communicating with a Network Printer

- Introduction

- The Internet Printing Protocol

- The Hypertext Transfer Protocol

- Printer Spooling

- Source Code

- Summary

- Exercises

## Chapter 23: Appendix B. Miscellaneous Source Code

- B.1. Our Header File

- B.2. Standard Error Routines

## 8. Live Labs

The benefits of live-labs are:

- Exam based practical tasks
- Real equipment, absolutely no simulations
- Access to the latest industry technologies
- Available anytime, anywhere on any device
- Break and Reset functionality
- No hardware costs

## Lab Tasks

### File I/O

- Using the open, openat, and lseek Functions
- Performing File Operations
- Using File Synchronization Functions

### Files and Directories

- Retrieving File Metadata Using System Calls
- Managing File Access Permissions
- Using the umask Function
- Managing Ownership of Files and Directories
- Managing and Analyzing Files
- Managing Files and Directories
- Creating and Reading Symbolic Links
- Managing File Timestamps
- Performing File Timestamp Operations
- Traversing the File Hierarchy
- Reading and Managing Directories

### Standard I/O Library

- Using the `fwide` Function
- Handling Standard Input, Output, and Error
- Performing File Stream Operations
- Exploring File I/O Techniques
- Positioning a Stream
- Formatting I/O
- Creating Temporary Files
- Using Memory Streams

## **System Data Files and Information**

- Retrieving System Information
- Handling Time and Data Routines

## **Process Environment**

- Creating the `main` Function
- Using Command-Line Arguments
- Allocating Dynamic Memory
- Using Environment Variables
- Handling Non-Local Jumps and Resource Limits

## **Process Control**

- Identifying Processes
- Creating and Terminating a Process
- Demonstrating Race Conditions in Process Synchronization
- Using `exec` Functions
- Using Process Accounting, Scheduling, and User Identification

## **Process Relationships**

- Using the `setsid` and `getsid` Functions
- Using the `tcgetpgrp`, `tcsetpgrp`, and `tcgetsid` Functions
- Managing Jobs
- Handling Orphaned Process Groups

## **Signals**

- Using the kill and raise Functions
- Handling Signals
- Handling Advanced Signals
- Using the system Function
- Using the Sleep and Signal Queue Functions

## **Threads**

- Managing Thread Identification, Creation, Termination, and Synchronization

### **Thread Control**

- Configuring Synchronization Attributes
- Using Threads with Signals, Forks, and I/O

### **Daemon Processes**

- Using Error Logging
- Using Single-Instance Daemons and Daemon Conventions

### **Advanced I/O**

- Using Record Locking
- Using I/O Multiplexing
- Using Nonblocking and Asynchronous I/O
- Performing Buffered and Vectorized I/O Operations
- Performing Memory-Mapped I/O

### **Interprocess Communication**

- Using Coprocesses
- Using Named Pipes
- Using Interprocess Communication
- Using Semaphores
- Using POSIX Semaphores

## Network IPC: Sockets

- Managing Socket Descriptors
- Performing Network Addressing and Byte Order Operations in Sockets
- Performing Data Transfer in Sockets
- Using the OOB Flag

## Advanced IPC

- Using File Descriptors in Sockets

## Terminal I/O

- Getting and Setting Terminal Attributes
- Using the Baud Rate and Line Control Functions
- Using Canonical Mode and Noncanonical Mode
- Using the termcap, terminfo, and curses Libraries

## Pseudo Terminals

- Opening Pseudo-Terminal Devices

## A Database Library

- Building a Library

## Here's what you get

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