NUI and Novell Education
Fulfilling the Educational Needs of Today’s Networking Professionals

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The fundamental duty of Novell Users International (NUI) is to deliver benefits that help members pursue fulfilling professional opportunities in the networking industry. NUI seeks to deliver these benefits in three areas: education, technical, and career.

The foundation of any worthwhile career in the networking industry must be education. Without proper training and certifications, your ability to take advantage of NUI’s technical and career benefits is severely limited. With this fact in mind, NUI has strengthened its relationship with Novell Education.

You are undoubtedly familiar with the traditional, instructor-led format of Novell Education programs (and all other industry training programs, for that matter). In fact, you have probably participated in an instructor-led class or two at a Novell Authorized Education Center (NAEC).

However, Novell Education recognizes that instructor-led training may not be practical or convenient for some networking professionals. As a result, Novell Education is now offering several comprehensive, self-paced training solutions.

In the past, students participating in self-paced training courses had to learn the course material and stay motivated on their own. They had no one to turn to if they had questions.

Novell Education’s self-paced training solves these problems. Novell Education enables you to choose a method of self-paced learning (such as books, videos, or computer-based training) and then combine that method with access to training experts and the ability to practice in a live environment. Specifically, Novell Education offers the following self-paced training options:

NOVELL SELF-STUDY
Novell self-study kits provide manuals and CDs that present all of the necessary material for Novell Education courses. Each kit includes interactive test questions, task simulations, and visual aids to help you successfully obtain Novell certification and use your skills in the workplace. Novell self-study kits are available for the following courses: the entire NetWare 5 curriculum, the new Desktop Manager for ZENworks course, and the NetWare 4.11 to NetWare 5.1 Update course.

ONLINE MENTORING
Online Mentoring provides access to Novell experts who can answer questions about your self-paced curriculum. Online Mentoring helps keep you focused on your training and certification goals and provides additional instruction in areas that are particularly challenging.

ONLINE LAB
The online lab is one of the best ways to practice your newly acquired networking skills. You can access real NetWare 5, NetWare 5.1, and ZEN works 2.0 environments and practice network administration tasks risk-free, without the hassle and expense of setting up a network at home. You can access the online lab 24 hours a day, 7 days a week via the Internet.

NOVELL PRESS
Novell Press has long been the networking professional’s resource for Novell products and technologies. Novell Press covers a broad spectrum of Novell products such as NetWare, GroupWise, BorderManager, ManageWise, and ZEN works. Novell Press books are written by experts in the networking industry.

ADVANCED TECHNICAL TRAINING VIDEOS
Advanced Technical Training videos (available in VHS, DVD, or Internet Streaming formats) feature training presentations by Novell’s knowledgeable support engineers. These videos are designed for experienced networking professionals.

CERTIFICATION VIDEOS
Novell’s Certification Videos take you through the objectives, topics, and concepts that will help you confidently pass a Novell certification exam and use your skills in the workplace. The first certification video course, NetWare 4.11 to NetWare 5.1 Update, is now available.

NUI TO BECOME NOVELL ONLINE TRAINING PROVIDER
NUI will soon be an authorized Novell Online Training Provider. As a result, NUI members will enjoy customized curriculum at a dramatically reduced cost. Watch the NUI web site (http://www.nuinet.com) for more information about this exciting educational opportunity.

CONCLUSION
By providing opportunities for self-paced training, Novell Education enables you to continue updating your networking skills while allowing you to learn within your demanding schedule. NUI would like to encourage its members to find out how updating their skills can change their professional lives. (For more information about the NUI and Novell Education partnership, visit the NUI Education Resource Center at http://www.nuinet.com.)

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April on the NUI Web Site
Learn about NUI’s partnership with Veritas Inc. and about how the Veritas backup system can help your company protect critical data. Look for a special offer for NUI members from Veritas.

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