

Becoming a network technician is all about testing your skills with live projects. It's why I asked to be an intern about six years ago—I wanted to put the skills I was taught in the classroom to use and see if I had what it really took to be in IT and, other than first-hand experience, what's a better way? Now, six years later I have the technical know-how to handle pretty much any network task. And when the network isn't running properly, everyone's work comes to a halt!

It's critical that our networks run properly and that I'm able to resolve any technical issues to help our departments function without missing a beat. Fixing their technical needs means that I stay in constant learning mode because IT is evolving so fast that many service tickets bring brand new challenges to solve.

**Occupation:** 

Network Technician Salary:

\$78,243

**Education:** 

Associate's Degree

# Job Description:

**Computer Network Support Specialists** analyze, test, troubleshoot, and evaluate existing network systems, such as local area networks (LAN), wide area networks (WAN), cloud networks, servers, and other data communications networks. Perform network maintenance to ensure networks operate correctly with minimal interruption.\*



# **Job Description:**

SOC Code: 15-1231

### Top Job Skills:

- · Network monitoring
- · Network design
- · Intrusion detection
- · Provide technical support
- Monitor systems

### **General Work Activities:**

- Mental Processes
  - Analyze security of systems, network, or data
  - Develop specifications for computer network operation
- · Interacting With Others
  - Provide technical support for computer network issues
- Information Input
  - Test computer system operations to ensure proper functioning
  - Monitor the performance of computer networks
- · Work Output
  - Create electronic data backup to prevent loss of information
  - Implement security measures for computer or information systems
  - Document network-related activities or tasks
  - Configure computer networks
  - Install computer software
  - Troubleshoot issues with computer applications or systems
  - Maintain computer hardware
  - Install computer hardware

Source: SC Works Online Services (SCWOS)

#### JOB STATISTICS:



**Typical Wage Range** \$49,120 - \$78,660



Projected Growth 217/yr Job Openings



Employed In-State 2,770



Required Education
Associate's Degree



Work Experience
Typically
Requires None



On-the-Job Training

Moderate-Term

On-the-job Training

\*Source: Occupational Employment and Wage Statistics (OEWS) and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

#### **EXAMPLES OF WORKFORCE AREAS WITH JOB OPENINGS:**

Source: SC Works Online Services. Ask an SC Works representative for more information about postings in your area.

- · Santee-Lynches
- Trident
- Lower Savannah
- · Midlands
- Worklink
- Greenville

#### **EXAMPLES OF EMPLOYERS WITH JOB OPENINGS:**

Source: SC Works Online Services. Ask an SC Works representative for more information about postings in your area.

- EPS Corporation
- Abacus Technology
- · Apex Systems, LLC
- · Berkeley County Government
- · Berkeley County School District
- · Orangeburg County, SC

### **RELATED OCCUPATIONS\*:**

- Computer User Support Specialists
- Computer Network Architects
- · Information Security Engineers
- Network and Computer Systems Administrators
- · Software Developers
- · Database Administrator

**NOTE:** All data based on state averages. Information may vary depending on region, experience, and specific employment situation. **Last Updated:** 2025.

## **LEARN MORE WITH SCWOS:**

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Find in-depth breakdowns of occupational statistics such as necessary job certifications, job skills and abilities, current job openings, overview of general work activities, and more by visiting *O\*NET.org*.