



Solr/Lucene Certification

The Lucid Apache Solr/Lucene Search Developer Certification is designed to provide a rigorous, standardized measure of your skills and experience in successfully solving a broad range of search and retrieval strategy, development, and deployment problems. It lets you establish your credentials as a skilled open-source search application developer through a rigorous, transferable, universally applicable measure of your experience, skills and expertise with Solr/Lucene.

About Lucid Certification

If you have a lot of experience in developing search applications, why would you need Solr/Lucene Search Certification? Isn't experience alone sufficient evidence of skills?

Search is by definition a very diverse field, and the great demand for skills by employers and development organizations mandates a consistent set of criteria for evaluating those skills. The Solr/Lucene Certification Exam is a standardized benchmark of open source search knowledge, skills, and experience.

By establishing a standard measure that can be used universally, the Solr/Lucene Search Certification provides a transferable, universally applicable measure of your capabilities. Evidence does show that testing has a strong pedagogic effect in capturing knowledge; that said, it is no substitute for experience.

The Certification Exam

The Solr/Lucene Certification Exam was written by a select group of Solr/Lucene committers and search thought leaders. Building on their wide-ranging experience in writing and maintaining multiple generations of Solr/Lucene open source code as well as real-world deployment, this team has devised a challenging, well-organized set of test questions. Developed in close collaboration with Prometric.com, the exam has been vetted with statistical and psychometric methods to ensure fairness, reliability, validity, rigor, objectivity, technical accuracy, freedom-from-bias and sound language structure.

The test has been carefully designed to challenge the breadth of your experience; we expect that few, if any, candidates will be able to pass it without hands-on real-world experience in using Solr/Lucene technology for search applications. Taking the test requires a \$250 registration fee and signing a non-disclosure agreement (including your commitment not to reveal the questions to others).

Topics covered include:

- General search and web application environment
- Lucene fundamentals
- Indexing
- Searching
- General Solr knowledge

More details on topics covered is available in the FAQ and the Topics for Study.





How to achieve Lucid Solr/Lucene Developer Certification

To achieve certification, you will need to pass an advanced level test covering Solr/Lucene search technologies and best-practice techniques. This means you will need to be well-prepared. Lucid Imagination offers a comprehensive training curriculum that can help you learn Solr/Lucene, although these courses are not required to take the exam.

1. Prepare for the exam

- Review the Topics for Study
- Read the FAQs
- Attend Lucid Imagination classroom-based or online trainings (optional).
- Review the Lucid Imagination Certification Program Policy

2. Choose a location and register for the exam

Go to Prometric.com and press the 'Get Started' button, to choose a time and place and so forth for your exam. The Lucid Certified Apache Solr/Lucene Developer Exam is now available in Prometric testing center locations around the world.

3. Take and pass the exam

How can I find out more?

If you've already visited the Prometric.com site, carefully read the FAQ and the Topics for Study on lucidimagination.com, please drop us a line, to certification@lucidimagination.com.