Launch an Exciting Career in Automation!

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Is a Career in Automation for You?
Do any of the following characteristics describe you?

You like to work with your hands as well as with your mind.

Machines and computers fascinate you; you want to learn how they work and how they can be put to new uses.

You work well with others as part of a team.

You’re excited by the idea of exploring new or advanced technology.

You love the challenge of solving problems.

If these descriptions fit you, you may be ready to enter the field of automation.

Men and women with a wide variety of educational backgrounds are designing secure futures in this dynamic, challenging, and rewarding field. They are earning excellent salaries and professional respect while enjoying exciting work that matches their talents and interests.
Imagine…

a career in exciting areas like:

- Aerospace Industries
- Analysis
- Automatic Control Systems
- Basic Measurement
- Chemical & Petroleum Industries
- Computer Networks
- Computer Technology
- Construction & Design
- Electro-Optics
- Environmental Applications
- Food & Pharmaceutical Industries
- Glass & Ceramics Industries
- Management
- Marketing & Sales
- Mining & Metals Industries
- Power Industry
- Process Measurement & Control
- Pulp & Paper Industry
- Robotics & Expert Systems
- Safety
- Sensors
- Systems Integration
- Telemetry & Communication
- Test Measurement
- Textiles Industry
- Water & Wastewater Industries

It’s possible when you’re an automation professional!
Career Choices

While the opportunities in automation are numerous, most jobs fall into one of four general categories:

**Engineering and design automation professionals** in these positions research, design, build, and operate various systems and instruments to measure, control, and automate manufacturing processes. These jobs are vital to companies that manufacture products such as chemicals, paper, automobiles, and instruments, and to educational institutions.

**Management automation professionals** interested in management careers rise to leading positions throughout the numerous manufacturing and industrial processing sectors of the global economy.

**Sales engineering companies** rely on automation professionals to advise and assist clients and customers on the application, purchase, installation, and maintenance of available products and systems in order to improve the efficiency, output, and safety of manufacturing and industrial processing operations.

**Engineering and maintenance technicians** play key roles in installing, maintaining, trouble-shooting, and repairing various components of automation systems.
Which of these modern products and conveniences have you used this month: a TV, a car, running water, electric lights, an iPod®, or a computer? Do you ever travel by airplane or use a microwave oven? Have you ever taken medicine or had an x-ray? Each of these modern necessities is the result of complex processes.

Without talented individuals to design, build, and maintain those processes, these technological advances could never have happened and future innovation would be impossible. Without automation professionals, our world and our future would look very different. Automation has become ingrained into the structure of our lives whether we actively realize it or not.

And those men and women who have chosen careers within automation have become instrumental in shaping that structure. They conceive, design, build, operate, and maintain the processes that make our 21st century lifestyle possible. These automation professionals know their careers have a future because they help build the future!
Automation professionals are essential to virtually every manufacturing process, whether they serve as technicians, technologists, engineers, or managers.

Manufacturing and industrial processes rely on a series of complex operations—systems. And these complex systems must be regulated using various instrumentation and control devices. And often these systems, instruments, and control devices employ programmable response and action devices—automation. Automation works to ensure the highest and most consistent quality from manufactured products. It is why you expect every soft drink, every spark plug, and every tube of toothpaste to be of a consistently high quality.

Positions in automation offer excellent pay and benefits because of the requisite level of skill and responsibility involved. As you grow in this profession, you will earn respect in a field that offers a variety of career choices and excellent job security. Because of their broad understanding of production processes, automation professionals have excellent opportunities for advancement into management positions.

No matter which path you choose, your education will continue throughout your career in automation. Continuing professional development and training are a must in this rapidly changing field.

Select almost any industry, anywhere. Automation technologies are not only part of that industry, but, from plastics to cars, they are critical to production. Men and women who specialize in automation conceive, design, build, operate, and maintain these vital systems. Instruments and control systems measure, analyze, and manipulate factors such as temperature, flow, pressure, level, velocity, and composition in a variety of manufacturing, scientific, and technical applications. As a student considering this field, you have an immense array of choices. The preparation you make now is an exciting first step toward your professional future.

ISA is a participating body of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET), which accredits engineering and engineering technology education programs. ISA also develops standards for the profession and provides information and support to its members. Part of that support has been the area of credentialing. ISA’s Certified Automation Professional® (CAP®) program provides recognition and enhances qualifications in the automation industry.
Recognition

Recognition of your achievements is critical when you seek employment. As a student, you can earn recognition leading to certification as an automation professional or technician. ISA offers two associate programs to help you.

ISA Control Systems Technician® (CST) Associate Program
The ISA CST Associate program recognizes a commitment to a career in automation and control and shows that educational accomplishments are only the beginning.

An ISA CST Associate has specialized work experience and/or an educational background in instrumentation and control, or a related field, and has successfully completed an ISA examination. The ISA CST Associate examination measures a fundamental understanding of knowledge in instrumentation and control. Successfully completing the CST Associate exam equals one year of education good toward the Level I Certified Control Systems Technician® (CCST®) requirements.

ISA Certified Automation Professional® (CAP®) Associate Program
The ISA CAP Associate program is for students graduating from a four-year technical degree program who are interested in working in the field of automation. This program provides recognition of the student’s interest and knowledge of automation. Although the CAP Associate program is not a certification program, it provides an additional credential for graduating students, expands their resumes, and demonstrates to future employers an interest in furthering their careers in automation. Successfully completing the CAP Associate exam equals one year of experience good toward the Certified Automation Professional (CAP) requirements.

Note: These recognition programs are not certifications. Those who take either associate exam may be interested in pursuing the CCST or CAP certification, once the education and/or experience level required is reached.
Get Connected

Membership in any of ISA's 16 Technical Divisions or Technical Interest Groups connects you to people around the world who work in areas of automation that interest you. This is a great opportunity to network for potential career opportunities. Your ISA student membership allows you to join two divisions (one from each Department) for free.

**Automation and Technology Department**
- Analysis Division
- Automatic Controls and Robotics Division
- Management Division
- Process Measurement and Control Division
- Safety and Security Division
- Communications Division
- Test Measurement Division

**Industries and Sciences Department**
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- Construction and Design Division
- Education Division
- Food and Pharmaceutical Industries Division
- Mining and Metals Industries Division
- Power Industry Division
- Pulp and Paper Industry Division
- Water and Wastewater Industries Division
ISA Student Membership provides increased career opportunities. From the moment you join, ISA broadens your knowledge and exposure to the world of automation. Membership in ISA indicates to prospective employers that you are a step ahead of the crowd…actively involved in pursuing your professional future.

ISA Student Sections meet regularly on campuses in the USA, Canada, and throughout the world. Section involvement offers an opportunity to participate in a variety of useful programs and activities and to develop leadership skills.

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• FREE access to 40+ pre-recorded technical web seminars valued at $225 each
• FREE unlimited downloads of ISA's library of over 2,500 technical papers
• FREE membership in two ISA Divisions—one from the Automation and Technology Department and one from the Industries and Sciences Department. Visit www.isa.org/divisions to learn more about divisions
• FREE online viewing of all ISA standards
• Networking opportunities with experts (and employers) in your field
• Mentoring through our Mentor Program, which enables you to access the wisdom and expertise of seasoned ISA members
• And much more!

ISA Student membership qualifications
You are eligible for ISA membership (at the student rate of $10 per year) if you are a student registered in a program leading to an automation-related degree or certificate. As a special bonus, you may upgrade to a regular member at the low student membership price for the year following the completion of your training or graduation.

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- Power Industry (O)
- Pulp and Paper Industries (L)
- Water and Wastewater Industries (X)

**Automation and Technology Department**

Check all Automation and Technology Divisions you wish to join. One is free with your membership.

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- Automatic Controls and Robotics (M)
- Management (W)
- Process Measurement and Control (H)
- Safety and Security (S)
- Communications (N)
- Test Measurement (J)

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