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Summary

Senior Information Technology professional with 8 years of experience working in a wide variety of roles and environments. Possess an active DoD Secret Clearance. Strong expertise in Linux, Azure and AWS Cloud, CI/CD Pipelines, DevOps tool sets, and custom tool/application integrations. Familiar with working for customer success, cloud architecture and automation, technology advisement and cost optimization.

Experience

DevSecOps Engineer

Dayton, OH

VTG Defense

Aug 2025 – present

- Worked as "AI Czar" to create and enforce policies for program to ensure security and compliance standards are met while still enabling tenants to use the latest AI integrations in their tools
- Designed automation scorecard and triaged automation requests as "Automation Czar" to ensure the SI addressed highest value items first while enforcing documentation of automation workflows
- Received FinOps program after surge effort and further automated manual process from 4 work hours in excel to a partially-automated Databricks pipeline with Delta table export for PowerBI dashboards

Senior DevOps Engineer

Blue Ash, OH

Belcan

Aug 2024 – Aug 2025

- Saved an average of 12 work hours per HPC server deployment with custom bash script for STIG OS requirements
- Modernized mission critical manufacturing Kubernetes/Helm production app deployment
- Refactored and remediated vulnerabilities in a legacy home-grown django/react/kubernetes web application

Senior Information Technology Architect

West Chester, OH

Honeywell

Jan 2017 – Aug 2024

- Designed and deployed 3 major platforms used by 50,000+ employees by collaborating with product vendors and internal legal and cyber teams
- Eliminated 1,100 work hours/year by optimizing password vault tool with custom python GUI integration solution
- Eliminated need for Golden Images in Azure Government by replacing with a new Chef bootstrap process using ARMs

Education

University of Cincinnati

Cincinnati, OH

BS in Information Technology

Jan 2013 – Jan 2018

Cybersecurity Track, winner of the Fifth Third Award for Senior Design Abstract & Pitch in Cybersecurity

Skills

Languages: Python, Bash, PowerShell, SPL3, HTML/CSS, Ruby, SQL, Batch

Automation Tools: GitLab CI/CD, GitHub Actions, REST APIs, Terraform, Ansible, Bitbucket, Bamboo, Chef

Operating Systems: RHEL/SUSE derivatives, Ubuntu/Debian derivatives, Windows Desktop and Server, macOS

Platforms/Technologies: AWS, GitLab, Azure Commercial/Government DFARS Cloud Splunk, Atlassian Suite, GitHub, GitHub, AWS

Certifications

CompTIA: Linux+, Security+

Microsoft: Azure Certified: Foundations