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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Motivated IT and Cybersecurity student with hands-on experience in cloud architecture, networking, and automation. Currently pursuing AWS Cloud Practitioner, CCNA, and CompTIA Security+ certifications while building practical skills through labs, projects, and self-directed learning. Proven work ethic developed through warehouse operations, with strong organizational skills and a drive to deliver results in fast-paced environments. Seeking an entry-level IT role to apply technical knowledge and continue growing as a professional.

EDUCATION

Ranken Technical College

Jan 2026 – Jan 2028 (Expected)

Information Technology & Cybersecurity Program

- Coursework in networking fundamentals, Cisco IOS configuration, cloud computing, and cybersecurity principles
- Completed hands-on Packet Tracer labs covering VLANs, subnetting, SSH configuration, and router/switch setup
- Designed AWS cloud architecture for EZ IT Consulting capstone project using EC2, Lambda, S3, RDS, CloudFront, and Route 53

Liberty University Online Academy

2020 – 2024

High School Diploma

CERTIFICATIONS (IN PROGRESS)

- AWS Certified Cloud Practitioner (CLF-C02) – In Progress
- Cisco Certified Network Associate (CCNA) – In Progress
- CompTIA Security+ – In Progress

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Cloud & Infrastructure: AWS (EC2, Lambda, S3, RDS, IAM, CloudFront, Route 53), Cloud Architecture Design

Networking: Cisco IOS, VLANs, IPv4/IPv6 Subnetting, SSH, Router & Switch Configuration, Packet Tracer

Programming & Automation: Python, Bash, FFmpeg, Edge TTS, OpenClaw AI Agent Framework

Tools & Platforms: Git, Linux (Ubuntu), Windows, VS Code, Ollama, OpenRouter

PROJECTS

EZ IT Consulting – AWS Cloud Architecture Capstone

- Designed a complete AWS infrastructure for a small IT consulting business, mapping services to real operational needs
- Implemented architecture using EC2 for compute, S3 for storage, RDS for databases, Lambda for serverless functions, and CloudFront/Route 53 for content delivery and DNS
- Created documentation and presentation materials to communicate technical design to non-technical stakeholders

OpenClaw AI Automation Pipeline

- Built an automated content pipeline using the OpenClaw AI agent framework, integrating FFmpeg, Edge TTS, and Whisper
- Configured multi-provider LLM setups with OpenRouter, including fallback strategies and cost optimization
- Deployed and troubleshot the framework across macOS and Windows environments, resolving cross-platform compatibility issues

WORK EXPERIENCE

Warehouse Associate

Feb 2025 – Present

HTE Technologies | St. Louis, MO

- Manage shipping and receiving operations, coordinating with carriers for pickup and delivery schedules
- Maintain organized and clean warehouse environment to support efficient daily operations
- Communicate with vendors and logistics partners to ensure timely fulfillment of orders

Car Wash Attendant

Oct 2024 – Feb 2025

Soapify Car Wash | St. Louis, MO

- Delivered consistent customer service in a high-volume environment
- Operated and maintained car wash equipment, troubleshooting minor mechanical issues

Car Wash Attendant

Aug 2023 – Jan 2024

Scrubbles Car Wash | St. Louis, MO

- Ensured quality standards for vehicle cleaning and customer satisfaction
- Collaborated with team members to manage workflow during peak hours

Car Wash Attendant

Aug 2022 – Jul 2023

Soapify Car Wash | St. Louis, MO

- Gained foundational customer service and operational experience
- Demonstrated reliability and punctuality across a full year of employment