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TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Languages	PowerShell, Python, Bash, Terraform
DevSecOps Tools	Github Actions, Azure DevOps, SAST/SCA (Checkov, TFSec, Trivy)
Security & Protocols	SAML 2.0, OAuth, OIDC, TLS/SSL, Microsoft Purview, Entra ID, AWS IAM, Microsoft Intune
Cloud Platforms	Microsoft Azure, Amazon Web Services (AWS)

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Technology in Cloud Computing, Western Governors University | Salt Lake City, UT   May 2026
- Relevant Coursework: Network and Security - Applications, Scripting and Automation, Managing Cloud Security, Python for IT Automation

WORK EXPERIENCE

Associate Cloud Security Consultant, Slalom | Atlanta, GA   Sep. 2022 – Present
- Accelerated cloud migration security baseline achievement for a regional bank by coordinating the remediation of 94,000 vulnerabilities across 200+ servers and establishing a strategic asset inventory with ownership mapping.
- Standardized security posture for 200+ devices at a healthcare organization by automating Group Policy enforcement through Microsoft Intune and SCCM configuration baselines.
- Strengthened enterprise security posture by architecting a three-tier Active Directory privilege framework for 5,000+ accounts and 200+ groups, reducing the identity blast radius

SOC Analyst Intern, Warner Media | Atlanta, GA   Jun. 2021 – Jan. 2022
- Maintained security monitoring continuity during a major Splunk migration by validating and redeploying 200+ detection alerts, ensuring no operational visibility gaps during the platform transition.
- Reduced phishing alert resolution time significantly by developing an automated response playbook within the SOAR platform (Demisto/Cortex XSOAR) aligned with the MITRE ATT&CK framework.
- Optimized mean time to resolution (MTTR) by triaging and mitigating 277+ high-priority security tickets involving firewall blocks and suspicious AWS logins.

PERSONAL PROJECTS

Is AI Really Scary? (Archived)
- Automated 100% of cloud infrastructure provisioning for an "Is AI Scary?" initiative by architecting a scalable AWS S3 static hosting environment via Terraform. Established robust remote state management and secure bucket policies through a CI/CD pipeline, utilizing tflint for code quality and tfsec for static analysis to ensure zero security vulnerabilities were introduced into the production environment.

Hybrid Cloud Identity & Access Governance
- Eliminated identity silos by engineering a federated identity model connecting Active Directory with AWS IAM Identity Center and Microsoft Entra ID using SAML 2.0.
- Enforced Least-Privilege Access by architecting a multi-account AWS Organization with role-based permission models and cross-cloud access boundaries.

OTHER RELEVANT EXPERIENCE
- Orchestrated a homelab utilizing a Proxmox tower server and a Notion-based Kanban board to prototype security automation scripts, resulting in a streamlined environment for testing.
- Selected as an AWS Community Builder (Alumni) based on technical expertise and community contributions, collaborating with global cloud experts to share research on secure architectural best practices.
- Engineered a "Docs-as-Code" knowledge base using MkDocs, Obsidian, and Material theme, automating the publication of technical security research and documentation to a personal web-hosted platform (notes.artistuniverse.tech).
- Accelerated product development cycles by providing high-fidelity technical feedback on private previews within the Microsoft Security Partner Connection Program, directly influencing the feature roadmap for emerging security tools.