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Education

EdD	Education Leadership	University of Georgia Athens, GA 30602
MBA	Management	Winthrop University Rock Hill, SC 29733
BA	Political Science	Winthrop University Rock Hill, SC 29733

Employment

Networking (Cisco/Windows) Program Director/Instructor
Cybersecurity, Computer Support Specialist, and Web Design and Developer Instructor
Database Program Director/Instructor
Georgia Northwestern Technical College (2007-present)
Rock Spring, GA 30739

- Teach and develop classes in the database, networking specialist, cyber security, computer support specialist and web design and developer programs. At state level develop new courses and programs as executive CIST IFCC member. Courses include PC repair, HTML Cisco and Windows Server and client.
- Teach classes on campus (lab and lecture), online, and at high school site (dual enrollment). Work actively with students for them to succeed in classes traveling if necessary to remote sites to assist them.
- Assist instructors with problems with LMS and how to best convey information in classes.

Information Technology Consultant, (July 1982 – present)
Swainsboro, GA 30401 and LaFayette, GA 30728

- IT consultant for businesses, churches, manufacturers, individuals, and government agencies.
- Installation and maintenance of desktop computers and servers. Corrected problems with systems software and wiring problems to improve efficient usage.
- Web Page development and maintenance using HTML, MySQL and PHP and other languages. Both develops pages initially and updates pages developed by others
- Clean PCs of viruses and spyware and replace defective parts for individuals and businesses

Instructor, (September 2005 – June 2007), Peirce College
Philadelphia PA 19102

- Taught networking classes online from location in Georgia.

Curriculum Consultant, (Jan 2006 – Dec 2006), Georgia Dept of Technical and Adult Education
Atlanta GA

- Coordinated statewide program standard and guide revisions for Computer Information Systems (CIS) technical college educational programs for degree, diploma, and certificate awards. Consolidated approximately 600 Technical Certificates of Credit programs (typically less than one year) offered at 34 colleges to about 35 Technical Certificate of credit programs for common programs at all technical colleges

Instructor, (November 2005 – December 2006), Southern Wesleyan University
Central SC 29630

- Taught introduction to management information systems for business to students in bachelors business program

Information Technology Department Chair/Instructor
Campus Georgia Virtual Technical College (GVTC) Coordinator
(July 2001 – June 2005), Heart of Georgia Technical College
Dublin, GA 31021

- Developed and implemented of new Information Technology curricula
- Developer of campus Information Technology Department Internet Web pages
- Managed switch of department lab and host connections to Internet college intranet.
- Maintained and improved campus web pages. Took dated web site and created new interface and made current fully representing the college. Worked with president in the design phase.
- Instructor for Windows MCSE, A+, and Cisco CCNA certification courses. Instructor for Cisco Regional Academy (trained students and instructors) with use of Cisco routers and switches.
- Managed full and part-time faculty day, evening and off site.
- Coordinator of Campus GVTC (on-line course) initiatives, campus faculty facilitator for development of distance education courseware.
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Microcomputer Specialist Instructor, (September 1997 – June 2001), Athens Technical College
Elberton, GA 30635

- Developed and implemented new microcomputer specialist curriculum
- Taught Internet, programming, Windows, MS-Office, JavaScript, operating systems, HTML, network concepts, program design, computer concepts, and computer installation and repair (hands-on) classes.
- Supported router and Ethernet connections from remote campus

Senior Programmer/Analyst, August 1996 – September 1997, PMSC (now CSC)
Columbia, SC 29202

- Analyzed programs for clients (COBOL, Assembler and RPGII)
- Maintained and upgraded COBOL, Assembler and RPGII programs used in the property and casualty insurance industry. Programs were up to 20 years old and needed Y2K updates.

Computer Programming/Microcomputer Specialist Instructor (1988-1996)
Administrative Information Technology Support (1982-1996)
Data Processing Instructor (1981-1988)
Swainsboro Technical College
Swainsboro, GA 30401

- Designed, implemented and maintained token ring network. Created addressing scheme and e-mail addresses and hosts tables.
- Taught programming (COBOL, RPG, Pascal, Visual Basic, etc), PC repair, PC applications, operating systems, database and PC support.
- Trainer for administrative personnel in applications and computers. Led college from having two PCs to all employees having computers and being fully networked and on the Internet.
- Troubleshot and repaired campus PC and mid-range computer hardware and software.
- Assisted in Banner student record software implementation. Created Oracle SQL scripts to produce reports and methods to enter information.
- Designed, developed, implemented, and maintained campus applications for student records and attendance. Records were manually maintained prior to development in COBOL. Worked with Student Services staff in developing a user friendly program.
- Developed of payroll, accounts payable and general ledger programs. Records were kept manually previously. Worked with accounting personnel in development and unique conditions of college/state accounting and payroll.
- Created and developed original college webpage

Professional and Community Activities

Trainer for CompTIA Network+ Deep Dive series training IT instructor from across the world (10/2020)
Mentor for Cyberpatriot teams at NW Georgia College and Career Academy (2018,2019,2020, 2021)
AWS Educate Ambassador (2020- 2023)
Georgia Sino American Education Symposium participant (2005)
    Trip organized by GDTAE Presidents Council to China
Graduate initial Executive Leadership Training Program at Heart of Georgia Technical College (2004)
Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG) Computer Curricula Executive
    Board (1990-96, 2000-2005, 2007-present). Led the development and revision of state standards
    Chairman (1990-92, 2002-2005)
    Vice-chairman (2000-2002)
    Member Computer Curriculum Revision Committee (1995-96, 2000-2001)
    Chairman Microcomputer Specialist Committee (1995-96)
    Chairman Networking Specialist Committee (2001-2002, 2008-present)
    Chairman Database Specialist Committee (2007-2008)
Swainsboro / Emanuel County Chamber of Commerce member (1989-2009)
    Webmaster (2002-2003, 2004-2007)
Swainsboro First Methodist Church
    Adult Sunday School Teacher (1987-2015)
    Sound Technician (1989-present), Presentation Coordinator (2004-present), Video operator (2019-present)
    Webmaster (1998-2015, 2023-present)
    Certified Lay Speaker (1982-2023) Certified Lay Servant (2022- 2023)
    Certified Lay Minister (2024-present)
Swainsboro Kiwanis Club member (1995-1996, 2001-present)
    Webmaster/Photographer (2003-present)
    President-elect (2025-2026)
Kentucky-Tennessee District of Kiwanis International
    Distinguished Governor (2022-2023), Governor-elect (2021-2022), Vice governor (2020 – 2021)
    K-T Notes Editor (2010-2012)
    Lt. Governor (2016-2017, 2025-2026)
    Webmaster (2017-2024, 2025-present)
    Speaker at district training (2021-2023)
    Certified Club Leadership Education (CLE) trainer (2022-present)
Georgia District of Kiwanis International
    Webmaster/Technology Chair (2003-2009)
    Speaker at district training (2004 - 2022)
Walker County Chamber of Commerce (2007-present)
    Ambassador (2010-present)
Catoosa County Chamber of Commerce (2016-present)
    Ambassador (2016-present)
    Ambassador of month December 2016, February 2021
Ft. Oglethorpe Kiwanis Club member (2007-present)
    Distinguished President (2013-2014, 2014-2015)
    Webmaster (2008-present)
First Baptist Church LaFayette – speaker at Wednesday night several times (2014-2017)
Preacher for Ebenezer Evergreen Church in Kemp Georgia at monthly service 2023-present
Daisy National Airgun Match (Formerly IBBGCM and DNBBGCM)
    Chair of match (1999), co-chair (2000), treasurer (2002)
    Webmaster (1999-2023)
    Historian/Photographer (2024-present)
United States Jaycees Shooting Education national representative (1993-1995)

Certifications

Cisco Certified Support Technician (CCST) cybersecurity
Certiport IT Specialist (ITS)cybersecurity
Certiport IT Specialist (ITS)networking
Certiport IT Specialist Generative AI
CompTIA Data+
Internet and Computing Core Certification (IC3) by Certiport
ACUE Certificate in Effective College Instruction
CompTIA Cybersecurity Analyst (CySA+)
CompTIA Secure Infrastructure Specialist (CSIS)
CompTIA Security Analytics Professional (CSAP)
Security+ by CompTIA
CompTIA Secure Cloud Professional (CSCP)
Cloud+ by CompTIA
Cloud Essentials+ by CompTIA
CompTIA Cloud Admin Professional
Server+ by CompTIA
i-Net+ by CompTIA
Network+ by CompTIA
IT Fundamentals by CompTIA
A+ Certified by CompTIA., earned 1997 and 2008
CompTIA Secure Infrastructure Specialist (CSIS)
CompTIA IT Operations Specialist (CIOS)
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CompTIA IT Operations Specialist (CIOS)
Amazon AWS Certified Cloud Practitioner and accredited AWS academy instructor
Microsoft Azure Fundamentals
Microsoft Certified Trainer (MCT) (Alumni from 2016)
Microsoft Certified Educator (MCE)
Microsoft Certified Solutions Associate (MCSA) (Windows 7)
Microsoft Certified IT Professional (MCITP)
Microsoft Certified Technology Specialist (MCTS)
Microsoft Certified System Engineer (MCSE)
Microsoft Certified System Administrator (MCSA)
Microsoft Certified Desktop Service Technician (MCDST)
Microsoft Certified Professional + Internet (MCP+I)
MCP (Windows 2000, Windows XP and NT4)
Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) – various certifications Office 97 to Word 2016
MOS Master Instructor - Office 97
Microsoft Technology Associate (MTA) - Networking Fundamentals, Security Fundamentals, Windows Operating System Fundamentals, Windows Server Administration Fundamentals and Database Administration Fundamentals
Certified Online Instructor (COI) by LERN
Certified Computing Professional (CCP) (Management, COBOL, BASIC, and RPGIV Areas) (By ICCP)
Cisco Networking Academy Approved Instructor – CCNP I
Cisco Networking Academy Approved Instructor – CCNA
Cisco Networking Academy Approved Instructor – Health Information Networking (HIN)
Cisco Networking Academy Approved Instructor – CCNA Cybersecurity Operations
Cisco Certified Academy Instructor (CCAI) – IT Essentials I
Cisco Certified Academy Instructor (CCAI) – CCNA
Cisco Certified Network Associate (CCNA) expired 9/2004
Adobe Certified Associate - Visual Communication using Adobe Photoshop
TOSA PowerPoint 2016
TOSA Word 2016
Certified Internet Webmaster (CIW) Associate
Palo Alto Accredited Configuration Engineer version 7 (ACE)
Palo Alto Certified Cybersecurity Associate (PACCSA)
iCritical Thinking by ETS
Introduction to Property and Liability Insurance (INTRO) by the Insurance Institute of America
United Methodist Church Certified Lay Speaker/Servant
NRA Home Safety Firearms instructor

Research and Publications

A+ Certification Test Yourself Practice Exams, by Dwight Watt, Ted Hamilton, Cameron Brandon, and Tom Judge. Published by Osborne McGraw-Hill (July 1998)
Structured COBOL for Technical Students, by Dwight Watt. Published by Prentice Hall Publishing (August 1997). Textbook on COBOL for the IBM AS/400.
District Revenue Potential and Teachers' Salaries in Georgia, Dissertation at University of Georgia (1989)
Co-facilitator for Georgia Department of Technical Education Probes for CIS curriculum update (2001)
Computer/Technology article published weekly in Swainsboro Forest-Blade, Walker County Messenger and Catoosa County News newspapers (2009-present)
Decimal and Binary Numbers book by Dwight, Published at Barnes and Noble Nook, (2014)
A Guide to Basic HTML by Dwight, Published at Barnes and Noble Nook, (2014)
Speaker at various conferences/meetings including NCCIA (North Carolina Computer Instructor Association) and Georgia CIST IFCC (the CIST instructors at technical colleges in Georgia and 423DefCon (Chattanooga Cybersecurity group)

Honors

Chattanooga Technology Council Unsung Hero of the Year (2021)
Catoosa County Chamber of Commerce - Ambassador of month (December 2016, February 2021)
Olympic Community Hero Torchbearer (1996)
Georgia Business Education Association Post-Secondary Teacher of the Year (1995)
Finalist for American Technical Education Association National Teacher of the Year (1994)
Top five finalist for Georgia Department of Technical and Adult Education Commissioner's Award of Excellence (now the Rick Perkins Award) (1993)
United States Junior Chamber of Commerce
State Shooting Education Program Manager of the Year (1991)
Award of Outstanding Achievement, Swainsboro Tech (1989)