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# BRET STATON

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## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

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A seasoned Cybersecurity Specialist with over 16 years of experience, I specialize in developing and rigorously testing security frameworks for private cloud infrastructures. My standout communication skills enable me to effectively train internal teams and demystify complex security topics for non-technical stakeholders. As a lifelong learner committed to professional growth, I continually seek opportunities to enhance my expertise and contribute to achieving strategic organizational goals.

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## WEBSITE, BLOG, CODING, LINKEDIN

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- [BretStaton.com](http://BretStaton.com)
- [Github.com/Brets0150](http://Github.com/Brets0150)
- [CyberGladius.com](http://CyberGladius.com)
- [Linkedin.com/in/bret-staton](http://Linkedin.com/in/bret-staton)

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## EDUCATION

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**Associate of Applied Science: Computer Support Technician**  
**Rogue Community College** - Medford, OR

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## CERTIFICATIONS

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- **Penetration Tester Level 2 – Dante**,  
HackTheBox.com – 03/2023
- **Certified Incident Responder**,  
LetsDefend.io – 4/2021
- **MCSA - Windows Server 2016**,  
Microsoft - 12/2020
- **Certified Ethical Hacker**, EC Council - 3/2020
- **Network+**, CompTIA - 11/2013

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## SKILLS

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- Flexible & Adaptable
- Department Lead
- Project Management
- Designing Security Policy & Controls
- Programming & Scripting Skills
- Self-Motivated Professional
- Employee Trainer and Mentor
- Technical Writing
- Enterprise Architecture
- Virtualization - Hyper-V, VMWare, Proxmox

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## WORK HISTORY

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**Cybersecurity Architect & Policy Officer**, 2019 to Current

**Wow Technologies Inc.** – Tukwila, WA

- Design, develop, and maintain an organization's overall cybersecurity architecture and policy framework.
- Established company-wide Security Policies to obtain SOC II type 2 compliance.
- Vulnerability Management using Nessus, GreenBone, and ArcticWolf's Managed Risk platforms.
- Conduct Pen Testing exercises to bring a holistic approach to vulnerability identification.
- Lead Incident Response Team to gather evidence, analyze logs and data, recover, generate an incident report, and develop risk countermeasures.
- Design security-focused enterprise architecture for private and hybrid cloud environments.

### **Systems Engineer III & Project Manager, 2016 to 2019**

#### **Wow Technologies Inc. – Tukwila, WA**

- Meet with clients to assess technology needs.
- Utilize technical knowledge and experience to design, implement, and maintain reliable and secure IT systems to fulfill internal and customer needs.
- Develop and initiate project plans, including managing costs, schedules, and milestones.
- Collaborate with other departments to ensure successful business objectives.
- Ensure system compliance with industry standards and regulations.
- Develop and document system processes and procedures.

### **Systems Administrator III of Web Hosting Service, 2014 to 2016**

#### **Wow Technologies Inc. – Tukwila, WA**

- Managed 100+ servers running Windows IIS, Linux/UNIX Apache, and Mac OSX Tomcat Server.
- Project manage web hosting infrastructure upgrade project. New from the ground-up environment to better secure and host legacy web applications.
- Mentored and trained internal staff on systems optimization, maintenance, and recurring issues resolution.
- Advise Web Developers on security, bandwidth management, and site optimization.

### **Datacenter Technician, 2013 to 2014**

#### **Wow Technologies Inc. – Tukwila, WA**

- Built 10+ servers daily using Dell, HP, and SuperMicro hardware with all types of Operating Systems.
- Deploy full rack production environments, demonstrating proper cabling, labeling, and racking techniques.
- Collaborated with vendors to locate replacement components and resolve complex hardware problems.
- Identify and resolve priority one hardware issues with the client's production equipment.
- Supply written summaries of issues, procedures, and diagnostic explanations for technical and non-technical clients.

### **Easy Tech Senior Certified Technician, 2010 to 2013**

#### **Staples – Kent, WA**

- Interview customers to find and troubleshoot computer system issues.
- Create scripts to automate scanning and testing processes to improve repair turnaround times.
- Managed PC service center and all day-to-day operations.
- Performed technical services in-store and in customers' residences/businesses.
- Lead team to meet weekly and monthly goals.
- Achieved 140% year-over-year tech service sales growth.

### **Assistant Network Administrator, 2008 to 2010**

#### **Advanced Business TeleServices – Talent, OR**

- Manage all technical End User related issues in 300 seat enterprise environment.
- Reduced support issue resolution time by 70%.
- Manage Windows 03 Server, Active Directory, and Exchange Server.
- Developed and refined build processes and configurations and contributed to network automation.
- Performed day-to-day LAN and WAN administration, maintenance, and support.
- Built and administrated Human Resources and Accounting department's network, file server, Peachtree accounting data server, and backup server.