# **Naveen Ravichandran**

## **IT Professional**

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## **Professional Summary**

IT professional with hands-on experience in Windows/Linux administration, network troubleshooting, server hardware, virtualization and end-user support. Skilled in enterprise deployments, automation with PowerShell, and managing a Proxmox homelab to simulate system integration, clustering, and high availability. Proficient in Active Directory, ticketing systems, and remote support tools. Strong communication skills with a customer-first mindset and proven problem-solving skills.

## **Certifications**

- CompTIA Network+ CompTIA (2025)
- Fortinet Certified Associate Fortinet (2025)
- Network Cabling Specialist(Copper & Fiber) Delmi Training Institute (2024)
- Google IT Support Specialist Google (2021)

## **Technical Skills**

- Systems: Windows Server, Linux (Ubuntu, Rocky Linux)
- Networking: TCP/IP, DNS, DHCP, VLANs, Subnetting, Firewalls
- Tools: Active Directory, Zabbix, Zimbra, HESK, OwnCloud, Apache Guacamole
- Scripting & Automation: PowerShell
- Structured Cabling: Copper & Fiber
- Virtualization: VMware vSphere, Hyper-V, Proxmox VE

#### **Projects**

# Proxmox Homelab & WordPress Deployment (Virtualization, Web Hosting, and System Integration)

- Built and maintained a **Proxmox VE homelab** to simulate enterprise-grade IT environments.
- Configured Windows/Linux servers, Active Directory, DNS/DHCP, and networking protocols.
- Practiced clustering, backup, and high availability scenarios to strengthen data center skills.
- Deployed a WordPress server on Linux, configured SSL/TLS and DNS, and integrated with Active Directory for secure access.
- Exported and hosted the WordPress site as a static build on GitHub Pages, **ensuring reliable public access and demonstrating end-to-end deployment skills**..
- Tested automation scripts, monitoring with Zabbix, and real-world service management in a controlled environment.

## Capstone – IT Infrastructure Deployment (Linux, Windows & Network Integration)

- Designed and implemented a **multi-site IT infrastructure** combining Linux and Windows Server environments, simulating enterprise-level operations using **VMware vSphere** for virtualization.
- Configured Active Directory Domain Services (AD DS) for centralized authentication across both platforms.
- Deployed **Zabbix monitoring**, **Zimbra mail server**, **HESK ticketing system**, **OwnCloud storage**, and **WordPress CMS** on Linux servers with secure AD integration.
- Automated incident management workflows by linking Zabbix alerts directly to HESK, enabling real-time ticket creation and response tracking.
- Configured DNS, DHCP, and firewall rules for inter-network communication and security.

## OwnCloud Web Server Deployment (Linux)

- Installed and configured **OwnCloud** on Ubuntu Server for secure file storage, sharing, and collaboration.
- Implemented **user authentication via LDAP integration** with Active Directory to streamline access management.
- Applied SSL/TLS encryption with self-signed and CA-issued certificates for secure data transmission.
- Set up role-based permissions for departments, ensuring compliance with least privileged principles.
- Delivered a fully functional, secure private cloud solution with access logging for auditing.

#### **Apache Guacamole Remote Access (Linux & Windows Integration)**

- Deployed Apache Guacamole on a headless Ubuntu server to enable browser-based remote desktop access.
- Configured SSH for Linux systems and RDP for Windows hosts, enabling cross-platform remote management.
- Secured access with reverse proxy configuration and authentication for admin accounts.
- Provided seamless, clientless remote access without requiring additional software on end-user machines.

## **User Onboarding with Mail Functionalities (PowerShell)**

- Developed an automated onboarding script in PowerShell to create new AD user accounts, assign group memberships, and configure home directories.
- Integrated **email notifications** to HR and IT staff confirming account creation and setup status.
- Incorporated error handling and logging to track provisioning failures.
- Reduced account creation time from 15 minutes to under 2 minutes, improving IT support efficiency.

## **Inventory Management System (PowerShell)**

- Built a **GUI-based PowerShell script** to track and manage IT inventory, including hardware, software licenses, and peripheral devices.
- Integrated **Pie chart visualizations** for asset distribution using Windows Forms chart controls.

- Added CSV export, PDF report generation, and email sending functionalities for periodic reporting.
- Simplified asset tracking and reduced manual record-keeping errors by over 50% in testing.

## **Expense Calculator (PowerShell)**

- Created a PowerShell tool for automating budget tracking and expense calculation.
- Implemented data validation, error handling, and summary reporting for financial overviews.
- Supported CSV import/export to ensure compatibility with Excel-based accounting workflows.
- Improved accuracy in budget reconciliation processes in test scenarios, eliminating manual calculation errors.

# **Experience**

### **Customer Service Clerk**

Jan 2025 - Present

#### **Food Basics**

- Delivered excellent customer service by resolving issues quickly in a high-demand environment, strengthening communication and troubleshooting skills applicable to IT support and operations.
- Operated and supported POS systems, applying technical troubleshooting to minimize downtime and ensure smooth operations.
- Identified and reported **system malfunctions**, demonstrating **attention to detail** and **problem-solving** under pressure.
- Managed inventory systems and maintained accuracy, reinforcing organizational and process-management skills.
- Collaborated effectively with team members, developing teamwork and multitasking abilities directly applicable to IT operations and data center environments.

## **Education**

• Conestoga College

Graduate Certificate in Applied Network Infrastructure and System Administration (2024 - 2025)

• A.V.C College of Arts and Science

Bachelor of Computer Science (2019 - 2022)