

# Austin J. Hunt

Versatile engineer with 5+ years of hands-on experience in full stack web dev, distributed systems, networking, cloud architecture, server administration, and container orchestration, with a specially tuned eye for automation and a killer work ethic, seeking work **outside of higher ed** with a **vibrant and inspired** team on **high-impact software**. I want to help people.

## EXPERIENCE

**DEC 2019 – PRESENT:** Digital Communications Developer / Webmaster – *College of Charleston, Charleston, SC/Remote*

- Lead **weekly** IT meetings for 2+ years & train new employees.
- **Daily** web support through ITSM ticketing and Zoom/Teams meetings.
- Create training videos & KB resources (e.g., for new SharePoint Intranet, using Google Analytics, using Dubbot, etc.)
- Correspond with **10+ external software vendors** and leverage SDKs/APIs for smooth enterprise system integrations.
- Reduce software costs by **\$60K+** with automation scripting, full-stack web dev (5+ apps), API dev, & SharePoint administration
- Build, maintain, & document **30+ APIs**, applications, & scripts to support internal processes and **50+ business units** with automation (using tools like Selenium, APIs, webhooks, cron).
- Script **5+ cross-environment data syncs** (cloud to cloud, cloud to on prem, on prem to cloud).
- Develop & document WP theme for today.charleston.edu with **custom plugins** to support search across legacy and redesigned sites.
- Build high-value front-facing web features for charleston.edu (e.g., “meet your counselor” with **SchoolDigger** integration, and “library crowd meter” for COVID response) to serve public and internal audiences
- Save **20+ man-hours** a year by building **CI/CD pipelines** across 5+ key projects, including distributed web server configs for charleston.edu. Cut deployment times by **90%** with GH Actions.
- **Evangelize** use of Docker, Ansible, Git, GH Actions, CI/CD, PR reviews, & GH Copilot within IT. Advocate MS Flow & Power Apps for streamlining campus business processes in O365.
- Centralize IT API documentation and testing in **Postman** for more efficient internal **collaboration**.
- Use PowerShell to **automate** repetitive site provisioning and templating for new (2023) **SharePoint intranet**.
- Securely maintain **30+ on-prem & cloud servers** (Windows Server, RHEL, Ubuntu). Install & renew SSL certs (on-prem & SaaS). Backup/restore SQL databases. Monitor logs, respond to DoS attacks, & help plan more redundant web infrastructure.
- Implement analytics dashboarding in Splunk. Administer Google Analytics (3 & 4); set up and use Google Tag Manager and Google Programmable Search Engine on charleston.edu sites.
- Administer Osano for cookie consent management, & Pantheon for WP hosting of 25+ large sites.
- Configure RBAC and SSO with Azure AD for custom and COTS apps to adhere to the least privilege access model.

**MAY 2019 – DEC 2019:** Temp – *College of Charleston, Charleston, SC*

- Implement network monitoring and alerting for 1000+ hosts with Icinga.
- Configure distributed infrastructure with Ansible.
- Create custom service checks with NCPA, ICMP, SNMP, and SSH
- Script webhook-driven MS Teams alerts with Python.
- Collaborate with a networking team for troubleshooting and

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## SKILLS

Learning & working **quickly**

Prioritizes clean code, clear documentation, and maintainable solutions

Clear communicator, both **in writing** and in person

Broad range of frontend and backend languages, including JS, Python, Bash, PowerShell, Go, PHP, HTML/CSS/Sass, TS, Java

Web frameworks and libraries like Django, Express.js, React, Flask, Next.js

Secure cloud architecture, Linux administration

Implementing RBAC, SSO, OAuth2/OIDC flows, MFA

Network troubleshooting, monitoring and alerting config

Container management, orchestration with Kubernetes/K8s

Cloud platforms – Google Cloud Platform, Azure, AWS (IAM, S3, Lambda, EBS, EC2, ACM, Cloudwatch, & more)

Functional and Object-Oriented Programming

## CERTIFICATIONS

**2024:** Certified Kubernetes Administrator

**2024:** (In Progress) AWS Certified Solutions Architect

**2021:** Docker Certified Associate

**2021:** Certified Associate Python Programmer

## EDUCATION

**MAY 2021 – DEC 2022:** Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN — *M.S. Computer Science, 4.0*

**AUG 2015 – MAY 2019:** College of Charleston, Charleston, SC — *B.S. Computer Science, 3.95*

## PROJECTS

scaling.

- Build and maintain a Django SSO-enabled app for the team to manage their own server monitoring.
- Integrate Icinga with Netbox for network hardware monitoring.

**OCT 2017 - MAY 2019:** Student Network Engineer - College of Charleston, Charleston, SC

- Handle zero-downtime install and config of Juniper switches and power supplies.
- Configure new UPS NICs & automate mass firmware upgrades with Python.
- Manage inventory & train new employees

**OCT 2023 - PRESENT:** NovaBrains.ai - LLM-assisted, LMS-integrated digital textbook platform for educators and learners alike for building and using engaging, interactive courses. In collaboration with Ayman Hajja, PhD.

**Stack:** AWS (CLI, SAM, R53, EBS, S3, Lambda, Cloudwatch, IAM), Python, JS, GitHub Actions, React, Material UI, Django REST Framework, OpenAI ChatGPT API, Swagger, Slack, Jira, GCP, reCAPTCHA, Postman, OAuth2, ToTP

**Roles:** Cloud architect, devops engineer, full-stack developer, cofounder.

**JUNE 2024 - PRESENT:** StudyRocket.ai - AI-powered, on-the-fly interactive quiz generation about anything you want to study. In collaboration with Ayman Hajja, PhD.

**Stack:** AWS (CLI, SAM, R53, EBS, S3, Lambda, Cloudwatch, IAM), Python, JS, GitHub Actions, React, Material UI, Django REST Framework, OpenAI ChatGPT API, Swagger, Slack, Jira, GCP, reCAPTCHA, Postman

**Roles:** Cloud architect, devops engineer, full-stack co-developer, cofounder June 2024 - Present

**JULY 2019 - PRESENT:** sketchyactivity.com - Art portfolio and commission portal SPA hosted for free on GitHub.

**Stack:** GitHub Pages, React, GA4

**Roles:** Solo web developer.

**JUNE 2023 - PRESENT:** jerrywestonmize.com - WordPress-based music lessons payment gateway

**Stack:** Linode, WordPress (PHP, JS, CSS), WP Amelia for Payments, Colibri, custom plugins, GA4

**Roles:** Freelance full stack web developer, web support