# BRYAN STEELE

**Veteran ◆ Team Leader ◆ Executer ◆ Motivator ◆ Problem Solver**

**Node.js ◆ Linux ◆ Git ◆ Python ◆ Network Security ◆ Routing & Switching ◆ BGP ◆ OSPF ◆ MPLS ◆ VPN ◆ IS IS**

**Juniper ◆ Cisco ◆ Tellabs ◆ ALU Nokia ◆ Service Provider Networks ◆ Structured Cabling (Fiber/Copper)**

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Motivated and disciplined U.S. Army veteran with over a decade of experience in **network operations, engineering, and systems administration**. Adept at troubleshooting complex technical issues, optimizing systems, and leading high-performing teams. Passions lies in both **leadership** and **technology.** While I take great pride in staying technically proficient and constantly expanding my skill set, I also derive deep fulfillment from **mentoring, coaching, and empowering others to thrive in their roles.** I leverage these strengths to tackle complex challenges, optimize systems, and deliver impactful solutions.

Beyond technology, I draw inspiration from **music,** and **cooking**, which offer me creative outlets that inspire and share similar areas of enthusiasm.

## HOW I CAN ADD VALUE

- **Leadership & Team Management:** Delegating tasks, mentoring teams, and evaluating performance to drive operational efficiency.
- **Network & Systems Engineering:** Troubleshooting, maintenance, and optimization of enterprise networks and IT infrastructure.
- **Incident Response & Problem-Solving:** Managing network outages, mitigating risks, and implementing proactive solutions.
- **Cross-Functional Collaboration:** Bridging communication between technical and non-technical stakeholders.
- **Cloud & Cybersecurity Awareness:** Hands-on experience with Linux, Security Information and Event Management (SIEM), Private Cloud Management, and compliance best practices.
- **Programming & Automation:** Foundational knowledge in Python, Node.js, SQL, and scripting to automate tasks and enhance efficiency.
- **Technical Proficiency:** Juniper | Cisco | Tellabs | ALU Nokia | Layer 2/3 | Service Provider Networks | Structured Cabling (Fiber/Copper)

## WHAT I'VE DONE

- Led a team in **Verizon's IP Network Management Center (IPNMC)**, overseeing troubleshooting, recovery, and maintenance of critical infrastructure.
- Optimized network performance and fostered collaboration with engineers, vendors, and leadership.
- Mentored junior engineers and provided technical guidance.
- Installed, maintained, and troubleshot routers, switches, access points, and Cisco UCS servers.
- Led telecommunications equipment installation, including copper and fiber optic systems.
- Executed structured cabling projects, ensuring compliance with regulatory standards.
- Conducted site surveys for IT/DS3 modernization at Army Reserve sites.
- Led Microwave Line-of-Sight system deployment teams in Afghanistan, integrating video encoders for remote viewing.
- Configured, deployed, and troubleshot network infrastructure in challenging environments.
- Managed scheduling and logistics for mission-critical projects.
- Trained personnel on safety protocols and provided performance counseling for career development.
- Monitored network nodes using SolarWinds, Orion, Route Explorer, and SNMPc to ensure operational efficiency.
- Managed firearms and equipment security, training teams in firearms drills and maintenance.

## WHERE I'VE BEEN

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| **Verizon -** Cary, NC | *Team Lead, Network Operations Engineer* | June 2021 - Present |
| **Acuative -** Fayetteville, NC | *Network Field Engineer* | November 2014 - May 2021 |
| **Ampcus, Inc -** Fort Bragg, NC (contract) | *IT Infrastructure Engineer* | March 2014 - November 2014 |
| **Netorian, LLC -** Afghan. (contract) | *Network/Systems Field Engineer* | March 2011 - July 2013 |
| **US Army - Active & Reserve** | *Network Support & Structured Cabling* | September 1996 - March 2011 |

## WHAT I'VE LEARNED

Google Cybersecurity ◆ < currently in progress > ◆ Linux and Private Cloud Administration on IBM Power Systems

Cisco Certified Network Associate (**CCNA**) exp.12/27 ◆ Cisco Certified Technician Data Center (**CCTDC**) exp.12/27

Cisco Certified Technician Routing & Switching (**CCTR&S**) exp.12/27