

About Me

I'm an aspiring Open Source developer / Linux Systems Administrator. I've been a passionate Linux enthusiast for seven years now, and I'm looking to make a full time career out of my passion for tinkering with Linux machines and teaching people how to tinker on them as well. Two of the most enjoyable things for me are: learning new things and teaching other people new things.

I really like to tinker with hardware and software to get the most out of them. I've built a [custom keyboard](#) from hand wiring the connections to customizing the firmware. I'm also working on building a Raspberry Pi into a GameBoy Advance SP. The main reason I like tinkering with thing is to get a better understanding of how they work and to make things which are purpose built to suit my needs.

I've tried nearly every one of the major Linux distributions and have settled on Arch Linux because of the amazing amount of customization paired with the great software availability. Speaking of customization, I've been learning how to manage git repositories and have uploaded my dotfiles to [github](#). Managing dotfiles has proven to be a great way to learn about version control and software development. Going back to Arch Linux, one of the best features, for me, is the fact that Arch does not always behave like it probably and forces me to learn how to fix it. This is of major importance to me as it refines my ability to troubleshoot and repair Linux installations.

Lately I've been learning how to develop Open Source software. I'm currently working on learning to use vim as well as Emacs because I haven't decided which is most valuable for my workflow. On one hand, vim is light weight and works pretty much everywhere, but on the other hand Emacs seems to be more well suited for development work, which is where I hope to end up one day. I'm currently learning to program in ruby, but have taken a slight detour to learn lisp. Lisp, as the granddaddy of most modern programming languages, is an amazing programming language to learn as stepping stone to understanding the flow and nature of programs and scripts.

I've also been working on writing a blog, but, more so than that, I've been learning how to host the infrastructure for a blog. Because of that, I have been learning how to deploy a ruby on rails server as well as generally how to be a sysadmin. The amazing part of having a blog, for me, is the ability to teach people, even if they only know a little less than yourself.

When it comes to doing nearly anything, I like to make a project out of it. I am actually hosting my resume on [github](#). By making everything into a project, I've been able to develop an extensible workflow which can benefit other people as well. If what I have learned is of value to another person, my goal is to provide that information freely to benefit that person.

Really, I'm a computer nerd who wants to hack on computers (such as programming) and allow other people to do the same. If I get paid for doing this, it ends up being a bonus.

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Profile:

I'm passionate about: excellence, learning, and launching people to reach their full potential. When it comes to excellence, I decide to take the approach: work smarter and harder. I will not half do a job and I intend on getting things right the first time. By way of learning, I have a habit of taking on challenging projects to expand my understanding. I also really like solving problems. Additionally, I have a really good memory and can remember nearly everything I learn. For launching people into their potential, I am in my third year at a leadership school where I am currently an intern helping run the school. By doing things in excellence and developing people I intend to change the world around me.

Experience:

Mail Shop Clerk: Front Range Enterprises and Communication, February 2015 - October 2016

- Produced bulk mail by operating specialized equipment
- Troubleshoot and repaired bulk mail machines
- Drove finalized bulk mail to the post office

Customer Service Representative: Qualfon, August 2012 - February 2015

- Answered L1 Technical support calls for TiVo
- Assisted customers in adjusting account information
- Troubleshoot TiVo devices in a timely manner

Technology Intern: Eaton School District Re2, August 2010 - May 2012

- Imaged around 1000 computers for deployment
- Troubleshoot and repaired faulty components in computers
- Performed software installations and upgrades on production machines
- Ran network cables to classrooms
- Worked on Linux machines
 - I have been running Linux personally since this internship

Education:

- **Leadership school:** RSM, Currently in third year internship
- **Technical school:** Front Range Community College, Network+ and A+ Certification courses
- **High School:** Eaton High School, Graduate

Job Skills:

- Able to follow instructions
- Adaptable
- Workflow optimization
- I enjoy learning new things
- Proficient at typing
- Exceptional memory
- Troubleshooting

References:

Greg Brown, Leadership school director and mentor: (720) 442-2348

Bryan Payne, Previous employer: (970) 556-1000