Garrett Spear
Content & Detection Engineer

Bossier City, LA

About

With nearly two decades of experience in a variety of technical occupations, I have acquired numerous skills, demonstrated a consistent work ethic, and developed a broad background knowledge. My federal security clearance has been actively supporting mission-critical operations at GDIT for nearly 8 years while exhibiting *exceptional* performance ratings year after year. As I continue to broaden my education technically and in business, I am also seeking opportunities in leadership and management. I believe my academic background in information systems & cybersecurity, coupled with skills in system administration, security operations, and project management, empower me to work effectively and responsibly.

Skill and Experience Highlights

I am a skilled expert in cyber security and incident response, with a focus on Splunk data analytics and SIEM. My latest job role is working for a managed security services security operations center (SOC) at GDIT. Here, I have been the lead detection engineer for over 5 years using Splunk. I create security content including alerts, reports, and dashboards for analysts, customers, and management.

Education

Louisiana State University in Shreveport
Master of Business Administration
Aug 2024 – Present

Louisiana State University in Shreveport
Bachelor of Computer Networking and Cyber Security
Jan 2018 – May 2021

Louisiana State University in Shreveport
Associates of Applied Science, Network Security
Jan 2016 – Dec 2017

Louisiana State University in Shreveport
Certificate of Senior Systems Manager
Certified in NSA CNSSI Standards

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18-Year Work History

GDIT Cyber Security Engineer Advisor
General Dynamics Information Technology
Sep 2024 – Present

GDIT Cybersecurity Analyst Advisor
General Dynamics Information Technology
Sep 2023 – Sep 2024

GDIT Senior Cybersecurity Analyst
General Dynamics Information Technology
Aug 2020 – Sep 2023

GDIT Cybersecurity Analyst
General Dynamics Information Technology
Mar 2019 – Aug 2020

GDIT Information Security Analyst
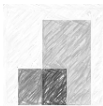General Dynamics Information Technology
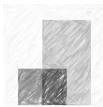Dec 2018 – Mar 2019

CSRA Network Technician
CSRA
Feb 2017 – Dec 2018

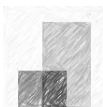NOV Fluid Control Field Technologist
National Oilwell Varco
Feb 2011 – Mar 2017

Electricians Helper
David Collins' Electrical and A/C
Oct 2010 – Jan 2011

Millwright Apprentice
Tisdale Converting
Jun 2008 – Aug 2010

Pipeline Maintenance Technician
Matador Compressor Services
Jul 2006 – May 2008

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Technical Certifications

ITIL 4 Foundations – Axelos
Oct 2021 – Jan 2099

Crowdstrike Falcon Administrator
Sep 2023 – Sep 2026

Splunk Core Certified Advanced Power User
Jul 2023 – Jul 2026

Splunk Certified Cyber Security Defense Analyst (CDA)
Jul 2023 – Jul 2026

Splunk Enterprise Security Certified Admin
Jan 2023 – Jan 2026

CompTIA Security Analytics Professional (CSAP)
Oct 2019 – Oct 2025

CompTIA Cybersecurity Analyst+ CE (CySA)
Oct 2019 – Oct 2025

CompTIA Security+ CE
Oct 2017 – Oct 2025

CompTIA Network+ CE
Aug 2017 – Oct 2025

CompTIA Security Analytics Expert (CSAE)
Oct 2019 – Oct 2021

CompTIA Advanced Security Practitioner (CASP)
Oct 2018 – Oct 2021

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