

Gregory Stephens

Fort Worth, TX (Relocating Summer 2026) → Eligible to Work in the U.S.

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Network-focused cybersecurity student with hands-on experience configuring VLANs, ACLs, OSPF routing, DHCP/DNS services, NAT, and Layer 2/3 switching. Skilled in firewall policies, log analysis, Linux administration, and secure infrastructure practices. Experienced in using Cisco IOS commands to configure and validate VLANs, routing, ACLs, and switch operations. Currently completing the Cybersecurity Post-Diploma Certificate at NAIT while building a full GitHub portfolio of networking and security labs. Preparing for CompTIA Security+ (Apr 2026) with long-term relocation to Fort Worth, Texas.

SKILLS

Networking: VLANs, trunking, inter-VLAN routing, ACLs, OSPF, DHCP, DNS, NAT, subnetting

Switching & Routing: Layer 2 & Layer 3 configuration, spanning-tree basics, static/dynamic routing

Firewalls/Security: ACL creation, DMZ concepts, NAT rules, outbound policies

Systems: Linux CLI, Windows Admin, Wireshark packet analysis

Tools: Cisco Packet Tracer, Cisco CLI, QRadar (SIEM), GitHub

Documentation: Network diagrams, SOPs, configuration notes, runbooks

Frameworks: Basic NIST network security concepts

EXPERIENCE

Network Technician (Cybersecurity-Focused)

Trinity Systems - Edmonton, AB

Sep 2024 - Present

- Design and configure VLAN segmentation, trunk ports, and inter-VLAN routing.
- Implement OSPF multi-area routing to support scalable networks.
- Create ACLs to control inbound/outbound traffic across network segments.
- Configure switches and routers using Cisco IOS CLI (interfaces, VLANs, routing, and verification commands).

- Configure DHCP scopes, DNS settings, and NAT rules to support internal infrastructure.
- Verify spanning-tree configurations and resolve port blocking or loop issues in lab environments.
- Build and maintain lab environments simulating enterprise network architecture.
- Perform packet analysis with Wireshark to troubleshoot latency, routing loops, and misconfigurations.
- Assist with firewall rule creation, zone design, and basic DMZ concepts.
- Document troubleshooting steps and resolutions in structured workflows to support repeatable network operations.
- Document configurations, network diagrams, troubleshooting steps, and change notes.
- **Commands:** `show vlan`, `show ip route`, `show interfaces`, `show running-config`

Cybersecurity Student

NAIT (Northern Alberta Institute of Technology) - Edmonton, AB

Sep 2024 - Present

- Hands-on labs in switching, routing, firewalling, Linux admin, and network security.
- Built enterprise topologies using Cisco environments, CLI, and multilayer switching.
- Completed labs in VLANs, ACLs, NAT, DHCP, DNS, Linux investigations, and SIEM fundamentals.

CEO / Digital Operations (Legacy Role)

Trinity Systems - Redmond, WA

May 2018 - Aug 2024

- Managed client technical projects, deployments, and backend operations.
- Transitioned from development/design into networking and cybersecurity pathways.

EDUCATION

Northern Alberta Institute of Technology (NAIT), Edmonton, AB -

Cybersecurity Post-Diploma Certificate

Sep 2024 - Apr 2026

British Columbia Institute of Technology (BCIT), Burnaby, BC - *Digital Design and Development*

Sep 2017 - Apr 2019

CERTIFICATIONS

- CompTIA Security+ (SY0-701) — *Expected April 2026*
- Google Cybersecurity Professional Certificate
- IBM Cybersecurity Analyst Professional Certificate — *In Progress*
- Cisco Networking Essentials

PROJECT PORTFOLIO

GitHub Portfolio: github.com/gstephens-cyber

Highlighted Projects:

- **VLAN Segmentation & Inter-VLAN Routing Lab** — full enterprise L2/L3 config
- **OSPF Multi-Area Lab** — dynamic routing with area design
- **ACL Traffic Control Lab** — inbound/outbound control and filtering
- **NAT & DHCP Infrastructure Lab** — address translation and dynamic address assignment
- **Firewall Policy Lab (DMZ)** — ACLs, NAT, outbound rules (*in progress*)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Eligible to work in the United States (no sponsorship required).
- Relocating permanently to Fort Worth, Texas — Summer 2026.
- Target roles: Network Technician • Network Operations • Network Support • L2 Switch/Router Technician • IT Infrastructure Technician