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Professional Summary

Al Enablement Specialist and Technical Curriculum Developer with a proven track record of designing scalable enablement programs, instructional content, and hands-on technical training. Passionate about leveraging innovative technologies and cross-functional collaboration to empower teams with actionable knowledge, drive skill development, and achieve measurable business outcomes.

Core Competencies

- **Instructional Design**: Scenario-based training, learner-centered content, and assessments.
- Al-Driven Enablement Solutions: Integration of generative Al tools and retrieval-augmented generation (RAG) systems for productivity enhancement.
- **Technical Enablement**: Scalable learning programs, labs, demos, and sandbox solutions.
- Curriculum Development: Comprehensive technical documentation and learning resources tailored to diverse audiences.
- **Collaborative Strategy**: Partnering across teams to align training with organizational goals.
- **Content Development**: Simplifying complex concepts through engaging thought leadership and training resources.

Professional Experience

Al Enablement Consultant & System Designer

Self-Directed Initiative – Project Constellation | Aug 2024 – Present | Remote

- Designed and deployed scalable **Al-powered enablement solutions** for technical training and productivity, including Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG) systems.
- Created hands-on training content leveraging cutting-edge tools like Weaviate, Hugging Face, and ChatGPT.
- Authored **thought leadership** content exploring Al adoption strategies, system design principles, and technical education best practices.

Developed Al literacy programs to empower teams with practical skills in generative Al tools.

Senior Sales Enablement Specialist

Elastic | Oct 2022 - Jul 2024 | Austin, TX

- Spearheaded Al-driven initiatives, including the Sales Enablement GPT Prototype and an Al summarization tool for strategic insights.
- Designed instructional materials and scenario-based training programs, enhancing global sales enablement.
- Collaborated cross-functionally to align technical training solutions with Elastic's business goals.

Global Sales Enablement Product Trainer

Forcepoint | Feb 2018 - Oct 2022 | Austin, TX

- Created and delivered advanced training programs on cybersecurity solutions for global sales teams.
- Developed interactive, scenario-based content to simplify technical concepts and ensure practical application.
- Partnered with Product and Marketing teams to ensure training aligned with emerging industry trends.

Technical Instructor

Hewlett Packard Enterprise | Jun 2017 - Dec 2017 | Austin, TX

- Delivered engaging, **hands-on training** for network security solutions, focusing on practical troubleshooting and configuration.
- Designed interactive labs to simulate real-world scenarios and enhance learning outcomes.

Technical Instructor

Aruba Networks | Sep 2010 – Jan 2017 | Remote

- Delivered virtual, instructor-led training programs on Aruba Networks' ClearPass and AirWave solutions, enabling customers to confidently implement, manage, and troubleshoot secure wireless and network infrastructure.
- Developed hands-on lab exercises and certification prep aligned with Aruba's technical standards.

Consultant

Internet Systems Consortium | Jun 2011 - Dec 2011 | Redwood City, CA

• Conducted functional and conformance testing for routing protocols, improving reliability and adherence to networking standards.

• Collaborated with developers to resolve protocol issues in open-source environments, supporting production-grade performance.

Consultant

Independent / Freelancer | 2009 – 2011 | Remote

- Developed technical training videos for network security products, simplifying complex concepts for diverse audiences.
- Delivered hands-on certification training on wireless networking and security protocols.

Senior Technical Instructor

Mu Dynamics | Oct 2006 - Oct 2008 | Sunnyvale, CA

- Designed advanced training programs integrating hands-on labs and real-world applications for enterprise clients.
- Created certification materials to validate technical competencies in network security.

Sniffer University Instructor

Network General | Apr 1998 – Jul 2006 | Dallas, TX

- Authored and delivered courses on TCP/IP analysis and troubleshooting, equipping
 participants with skills to identify and resolve complex network issues.
- Developed lab-based training programs to reinforce practical applications of network security concepts.

Customer Support

Stream International | Jul 1996 - Nov 1997 | Dallas, TX

 Provided high-quality technical support for MSN and Internet Explorer, improving customer satisfaction and resolving connectivity issues.

Education

Texas A&M University

Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy | Minor in Genetics

Skills

 $\textbf{Industry Knowledge}: Instructional \ Design \cdot Curriculum \ Development \cdot Technical \ Enablement \cdot Al-Powered \ Solutions \cdot Thought \ Leadership$

Tools & Technologies: Generative Al Tools · Docker · Python · Vector Databases · Lab-Based Training · Network Troubleshooting

Security Training: Network Security · Routing Protocols · Wireless Security Training ·

Interpersonal Skills: Cross-Functional Collaboration · Organizational Leadership · Training Needs Analysis

Patents

Ken Elwell holds **seven U.S. patents** in the fields of **network intrusion detection**, **protocol analysis**, and **enterprise network architecture**. These patents demonstrate his technical contributions to advancing network security, real-time threat detection, and enterprise-level data visibility.

1. Intrusion Detection System and Method

US 7,522,531 | Issued April 21, 2009

 Developed an advanced intrusion detection system that combines full network visibility with active probing techniques. Enabled real-time monitoring and proactive responses to network anomalies, enhancing operational reliability and security.

2. Enterprise Network Analyzer Zone Controller System and Method

US 7,154,857 | Issued December 26, 2006

 Created a centralized framework for integrating data across host controllers, delivering real-time insights and accurate network mapping for enhanced threat management.

3. Enterprise Interface for Network Analysis Reporting

US 6,941,358 | Issued September 6, 2005

 Designed a reporting interface for seamless communication between control systems and user interfaces, improving real-time traffic analysis and decision-making.

4. Enterprise Network Analyzer Host Controller/Zone Controller Interface System and Method

US 6,892,227 | Issued May 10, 2005

 Engineered a high-performance interface for data exchange between host and zone controllers, enabling holistic insights into network performance and security.

5. Enterprise Network Analyzer Host Controller/Agent Interface System and Method US 6,789,117 | Issued September 7, 2004

 Developed a communication protocol linking host controllers with network agents for distributed data collection, latency mapping, and proactive security enforcement.

6. Enterprise Network Analyzer Agent System and Method

US 6,714,513 | Issued March 30, 2004

 Established a protocol for real-time application performance monitoring and intrusion detection, supporting secure network administration and policy enforcement.

7. Enterprise Network Analyzer Architecture Framework

US 6,754,705 | Issued June 22, 2004

 Created a comprehensive architecture for deploying distributed analyzer agents across enterprise environments, enabling real-time network mapping and dynamic threat response.