# Ryan Smaller

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#### About Me:

Ambitious and motivated college student with a strong work ethic, willingness to learn, and passion for IT.

#### Skills:

Computer Hardware, Network Configuration and Implementation, Cisco IOS Device Configuration, Extreme Networks Device Configuration, Virtual Machine Configuration, Troubleshooting, Computer Repair, Basic Linux System Configuration, Linux Terminal.

# Professional Experience

## Beacon Telecom | Canton, MA

July 2021 - August 2022

Beacon Telecom is a major New England provider of IT support, cloud solutions from various vendors including Extreme Networks and Cisco, Avaya telephony and voice over IP services, and video conferencing.

#### **Telecom Technician**

- Assists Service Department with post installation customer support and maintenance.
- Provides technical assistance & support for installations as needed.
- Participates in applicable certifications and training offered by the organization.

### **Key Accomplishments:**

- Configured Avaya IP Office phone systems to utilize SNMP alarms and Alternate Route Selection to ensure
  optimal performance and security.
- Traveled to various on-site locations within Massachusetts and Rhode Island to deploy Avaya IP phones and connect them to paging systems.
- Configured and maintained Extreme Networks Switches with respective IP addressing and firmware updates.
- Created complex routing, switching, and server instances on Cisco devices in a Packet Tracer test environment.

# **Academics**

#### University of Massachusetts Boston | Dorchester, MA

September 2022 - Expected Graduation 2026

Candidate for Bachelor of Science in IT - Sysadmin Concentration

## Blue Hills Regional Technical High School | Canton, MA

September 2018 - June 2022

- High School Diploma Graduated as Valedictorian with a 5.05 Weighted GPA
- Vocational Certificate Computer Information Systems

# Certifications

- CompTIA A+ Certification
- Extreme Sales Specialist Cloud Networking (ESS) Certification

# Awards and Recognitions

- Senate and House of Representatives Official Citations Abigail Adams Scholarship
- National Honor Society Certificate of Excellence for Leadership, Service, Character, and Scholarship
- Massachusetts Association of Vocational Administrators (MAVA) Vocational Student of the Year
- Senate Official Citation Vocational Student of the Year
- United States Department of Education President's Award for Educational Excellence
- BHRTS Outstanding Senior Award for Academic Excellence in Mathematics
- Blue Hills Regional High School Teacher-Nominated Student of the Month
- Recognition for High Honors

# Extracurricular

## CyberPatriot - 2019, 2020, and 2021

 A regional cybersecurity competition run by the Air Force Association. Involves hardening a Cisco Packet Tracer simulation and three different virtual machines: Windows 10, Windows Server, and Ubuntu Linux. Debian Linux added in later rounds. Consistently collaborated with my team to progress toward the state level competition earning silver and gold.

### SkillsUSA Internetworking - 2020

 A district level competition involving a paper knowledge test on Cisco switching and routing protocols. Earned a silver medal and progressed to the state level competition.

### SkillsUSA Information Technology Systems - 2021

 A district level competition based on the content reviewed in the A+ certification, including troubleshooting, configuration and maintenance of computers and other IT equipment. Earned a silver medal and progressed to the state level earning a bronze medal.