

Conor Dobbs

IT SPECIALIST · NETWORK & SECURITY

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

CompTIA Security+ and Cisco CCNA-certified IT specialist with 2+ years building, securing, and supporting small-business network infrastructure. Strong foundation in network administration, Windows security, and cybersecurity fundamentals, backed by an A.S. in Cyber Security & Network Administration and a self-built penetration-testing lab. Reliable, fast-learning, and available immediately for IT support, network operations, and help-desk / SOC roles.

CERTIFICATIONS

- CompTIA Security+
- Cisco CCNA
- Microsoft Cloud Support Associate
- Security Principles in Cloud Computing
- Google Cybersecurity Specialization
- Google IT Support Specialization
- Google Advanced Data Analytics

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Networking	Cisco routing & switching, DNS, structured cabling (CAT5/6), router/switch/modem configuration, MAC filtering, network monitoring & troubleshooting
Security	Windows network security, vulnerability assessment, Nmap, Wireshark, Metasploit, Kali Linux, Shodan, ELK Stack, privilege escalation, password cracking, CTF
Systems & Admin	Windows, Group Policy management, VM provisioning & management, Google Workspace administration, PowerShell, Python automation

EXPERIENCE

Freelance IT & Technical Contractor — *Self-employed, Sacramento Area* 2025 – Present

- Provide contract IT support, systems administration, and technical project work for small businesses and independent clients.
- Build and maintain network and hardware setups, configure user access and security settings, and automate repetitive workflows using Python and PowerShell.
- Document configurations and procedures so client systems stay organized and maintainable as they grow.
- Run an active personal security lab for ongoing vulnerability-assessment and network-defense practice.

IT Specialist — *Just the Sip Hospitality, Sunol, CA* Dec 2023 – Aug 2025

- Deployed and configured the business's physical network: 100+ ft of CAT5 cabling, two routers/modems, and a wired switch, increasing operational efficiency tenfold.
- Maintained and optimized the network at 99.9% uptime by monitoring connectivity, configuring switches/routers, and troubleshooting hardware and software issues.
- Implemented network security measures — secure router configuration, MAC address filtering, and password hardening — aligned with CompTIA Security+ best practices.

Wildfire Evaluator — *Wildfire Services Group, Butte County, CA* Aug 2023 – Nov 2023

- Led a team of 6, coordinating daily tasks and hitting project milestones on time and within scope.
- Conducted comprehensive residential risk assessments and educated hundreds of homeowners on safety and mitigation, improving evaluation efficiency by 120%.
- Collected and reported field data with mobile tools, accelerating documentation turnaround.

PROJECTS

- **Cyberdeck:** built a functional mobile computing unit with custom hardware, power management, and a touch display for portable IT operations and testing.
- **Chromebox Cluster:** home server + penetration-testing lab running virtualized testbeds for ethical hacking, vulnerability assessment (Nmap, Metasploit, Wireshark), and network diagnostics.

EDUCATION

A.S. Cyber Security & Network Administration

Las Positas College, Livermore, CA — 2025

B.S. Business Administration: Management

California State University, Chico — 2024