




Dr. Creston M. Burse

Technology Agent | Strategic Foresight | Strategy Pilot | Innovation Practitioner

about

-  Results driven, futurist, enthusiastic IT professional, transformational leader, consultant, strategist and innovator with over 20 years of tangible, optimal results producing experience.
-  Extensive public and private understanding with a wide variety of current Education, Federal and State laws, rules and regulations, and information technology security supervisory principals pertaining to government operated facilities and educational entities.
-  As the dynamics of the IT environment continue to progress, it is my charge and passion to stay abreast with multiple forms of emerging technologies, therefore I use strategic foresight tools to help with every aspect of organizational improvement, planning, assessment, and development.

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EDUCATION

B.B.A BUSINESS INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Mississippi State University
2007

M.B.A. INFORMATION SYSTEMS MANAGEMENT

Harding University
2012

DOCTOR OF STRATEGIC LEADERSHIP CONCENTRATION STRATEGIC FORESIGHT

Regent University
2019

SKILLS

Staff Leadership Development
Strategic Planning
Stakeholder Engagement
Infrastructure & Business System
Development
Education Technology Planning &
Management
Enterprise Financial Applications
Polycom/Cisco VOIP & Video
Conferencing Applications
All Microsoft Office 365 Suites and
Operating Systems
Working Knowledge of LAN/WAN
topologies

AFFILIATIONS

PROJECT MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE

Member

INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR TECHNOLOGY IN EDUCATION - ISTE

Member

ASSOCIATION OF PROFESSIONAL FUTURIST

Member

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR IT SECURITY POC

Member

professional experience

2023 - Present

CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER (CIO) / ELLUCIAN/TOUGALOO COLLEGE / Jackson, MS

- Manage the onsite and remote shared services team for successful project outcomes at Tougaloo College.
- Primary liaison between Tougaloo College and Ellucian as a member of the President's leadership cabinet. Consistently develop a positive client relationship and maintain regular contact with the college President, executive cabinet, Board of Trustees, and onsite team.
- Consistently advise client on the status and alignment of technologies at the institution relative to the client's strategic goals and objectives.
- Regularly communicate with client on significant site issues, risks, opportunities, and general progress toward contractual and business goals.
- Responsible for creating and maintaining budgets for both the managed services and client-side operations, with an institutional operational budget of about \$2 million and a capital budget of \$5 million.

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cont. professional experience

2012 - 2023

CHIEF INFORMATION SECURITY OFFICER (CISO) / *MINACT Inc. / Jackson, MS*

- Executive representative of the IT Systems division, that represents the corporate office and daily operations of Job Corp centers in Arizona, Alabama, Missouri, Michigan, Mississippi, North Dakota, Minnesota, Tennessee, Maryland, California, and Louisiana.
- Lead, direct and manage a team of IT analysts and ensure that all corporate and federal standards are met daily.
- Provide vision, strategy, and leadership for the coordination of technology education policy and planning for MINACT, Inc.
- Facilitate business continuity, perform technical assessments, corporate IT strategic disaster recovery goals and operational planning to achieve business goals by fostering innovation, creativity, prioritizing IT initiatives, and coordinating the evaluation, deployment, and management of current and emerging IT systems.
- Routinely meet with senior management and board of directors to make recommendations regarding stakeholders, organizational strategy, planning for technology needs and initiatives.
- Strategically increased IT team morale and production by valuing input from all stakeholders and individual team members.

2019 – Present

ADJUNCT PROFESSOR/ *Belhaven University/ Jackson, MS*

- Adjunct professor for the Schools of Business and Education.
- Adjunct professor for both Undergraduate and Graduate Studies.

2012

IT PROCUREMENT PROJECT MANAGER / *MS Dept. of IT Services / Jackson, MS*

- Managed and lead over 30 multi-million-dollar IT projects for the State of Mississippi and multiple agencies.
- Met over 91% of strict project deadlines and within financial budget for State of Mississippi.
- Researched software, products, and application, acquired external and internal resources, managed revolving budgets, and coordinated with a team of managers, third party contractors and consultants in order to deliver projects according to scope, plan and on time throughout the project lifecycle.

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cont. professional experience

2010 - 2012

IS SYSTEMS/NETWORK ANALYST / *Delta Health Alliance/ Stoneville, MS*

- Integrated new hardware and managed new systems and software for the network, including remote locations.
- Worked with a team of Engineers, Application Developers and Managers who were at the forefront of developing and implementing Health Information Technology (HIT) in the State of Mississippi.
- Supported and managed the WAN and LAN computing infrastructure for the organization.
- Monitored system performance and performance tuning, while managing all user accounts, security permissions, email, anti-virus solutions, and all applied system wireless applications.
- Designed and implemented technology performance and measuring integration systems for primary company.
- Resolved any IT problem by finding minimal downtime solutions.

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cont. professional experience

2007 - 2010

NETWORK ENGINEER / *Viking Range Corporation/ Greenwood, MS*

- Provided network performance analysis, troubleshooting and capacity planning assistance of corporate desktop and network server infrastructure.
- Provided technical support and ensured smooth operation of Viking Range's global communication network and infrastructure, focusing on primarily in the United States, Europe and South America regions.
- Coordinated with system administrators to install and relocate network hardware in data center, to include configuring network servers for data redundancy and restoration.
- Managed 24-hour technology helpdesk and staff.
- Managed all corporate firewall equipment and network hardware.

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TRAINING

Cisco CCNA Interconnecting
Networking Devices Training 1
& 2

Interactive Intelligence I3 Call
Manager Telephony Training

Checkpoint Firewall Training

Blackberry Call Manager (BES)
training

LEADERSHIP

Leadership Mississippi
Mississippi Economic Council
c/o 2021

Leadership Greater Jackson
c/o 2017-2018

Leadership Greater Jackson
Board Member

One Voice – Mississippi Black
Leadership Institute
c/o 2018- 2019

City of Jackson – TECHJxn Steering
Committee
Committee Chair

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