

Joseph “Joe” Esensten

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★ Veteran, recipient of two Bronze Star Medals.

Security Strategy & Leadership

I lead business-first security strategy and build security programs. My focus is on understanding and listening to the organization, finding, and developing great people, and taking opportunities to integrate security into the fabric of the business.

Experience

Security Strategist, Xcel Energy

2019-Present

I create the security strategy and architecture for business transformation. By linking the business mission, priorities, and goals to security delivery, I ensure the organization is prepared for the future by aligning security with value delivery.

Security Program Director, Denver International Airport

2018-2019

I successfully delivered on the CIO's goals by aligning the security program's delivery to business outcomes. I recruited and lead teams responsible for the delivery of transformative security services.

Applications and Security Manager, Oncor

2016-2018

I championed change in the security department as the business moved to Agile delivery of services. I implemented secure delivery, application security, governance, and monitoring into a rapidly growing hybrid-cloud and multi-vendor footprint.

Security Operations Manager, Oncor

2013-2016

I designed and led an integrated network and security operations center. Selected, trained, and managed a team of 15 providing 24x7 monitoring, threat management, and incident response.

Senior Security Architect, Oncor

2011-2013

Led security strategy and architecture for a transition to hybrid cloud to facilitate a services-based model to enable business flexibility and decrease time to market.

Senior Cyber Security Engineer, Raytheon

2007-2011

Led a team of engineers performing security for US Govt intelligence software. Created processes for building security and compliance into emerging Agile Scrum methodologies.

Information Technology Officer, United States Army

2002-2010

Directly led the support of the mission of organizations in combat and non-combat environments through the deployment, security and maintenance of computers, networks, software, and communications.

Certs: CISSP, CISM, GIAC GPEN GSEC, CCSK, AWS CCP, CCNA, Security+

Frameworks: NIST, ISO, TOGAF, SABSA, C4, COBIT, CIS, CSF, CSA, ATT&CK, OWASP, Agile, ITIL, CMMI

Technology Expertise: IAM/SSO, DAST/SAST/SCA, CI/CD Tools, WAF, SDN, Event Management & Analytics, AWS Security, Containers

Education

M.S. Applied Information Management

University of Oregon

B.S. Business Administration (MIS)

Oregon State University

Certificate Data Science

Harvard University

Skills

Strategy

- Business alignment
- Policy, Standards and Controls
- Outcome Based Metrics (OBM)

People

- Security Culture
- Mentoring

Cloud

- AWS, Azure
- Integrations
- Governance
- Monitoring
- Vendor Risk

Delivery

- Automation
- CI/CD
- DevSecOps
- AppSec

Data

- DLP
- Science/ML
- Analytics

Access

- IdAM/SSO
- CBAC/ABAC

Threat

- Threat Modeling
- OSINT