



Nebraska Student and Graduate Profile

When Mobius Communications Company, a high-speed Internet service provider for businesses and homes throughout western Nebraska, contacted Hemingford High School looking for a part-time employee, Cisco® Networking Academy® instructors knew Stephen Stewart would be an excellent fit for their company.

In 2002 Stephen, then a freshman at Hemingford High school, was given the opportunity to tour Mobius' facilities and interview with the general manager. This ultimately led him to a position as an information systems technician.

Stephen became interested in technology at an early age when he installed a simple Ethernet network in his home with a hub and two computers. His curiosity led him to seek out a rigorous, technology-oriented class: Cisco Networking Academy.

In 2003, Stephen began the Cisco Certified Network Associate (CCNA®) courses at Hemingford High School. He says "the hands-on laboratory assignments meshed well with the textbook theory to make the materials and concepts understandable and fun."

In addition to his studies at Hemingford, Stephen also worked part time at Mobius Communications. "Utilizing techniques, concepts, and protocols gained from four semesters of Networking Academy CCNA training, I've helped my company's networks become more efficient, reliable, and cost-effective. I have found the fundamental knowledge of IP subnetting, TCP/IP, the OSI reference model, routing protocols, and VLANs very helpful in making our cross-platform technology reach its potential."

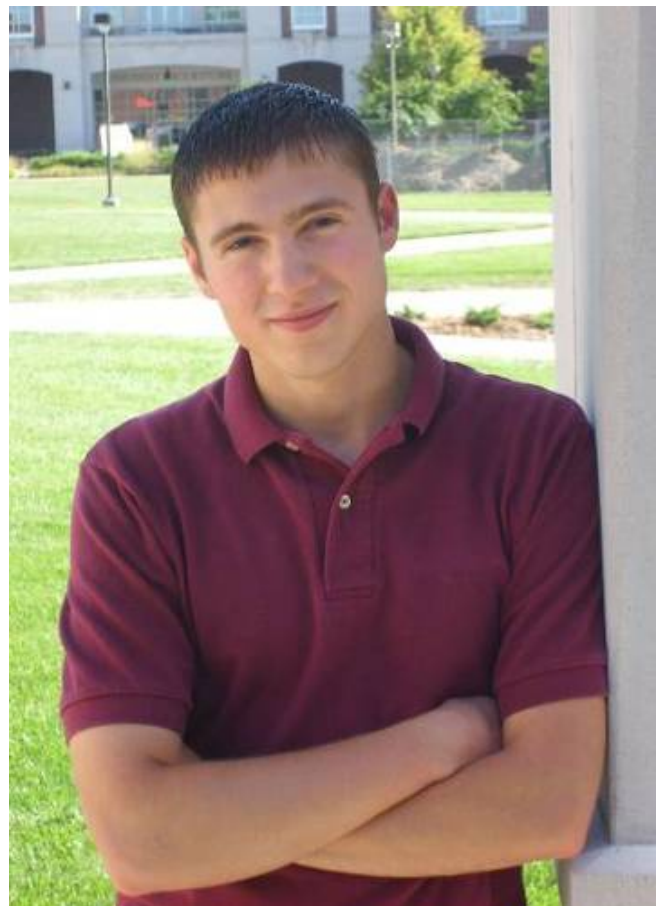
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Stephen Stewart

Stephen graduated from Hemingford High School in 2006, obtained his CCNA and A+ certifications, and was accepted to the JD Edwards Honors Program at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln where he is currently studying computer engineering.

Stephen also works part-time at Mobius Communications implementing new technology, undertaking research and development, troubleshooting end user problems, and planning network expansions within their growing organization.

"The training I received in the Networking Academy's CCNA class has been instrumental in enhancing my skills and the efficiency of Mobius' information technology."



After completing his undergraduate degree, Stephen plans to pursue his Cisco Certified Network Professional (CCNP®) certification.

His ultimate goal is to become a network engineer or system administrator for a Fortune 500 company.

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