# ALI ALJAFFER

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### SUMMARY

Cloud and DevOps Engineer with proven track record leading teams to deploy production-ready applications on AWS and Azure. Skilled in infrastructure as code, automation, and container orchestration. Excited to contribute to team success by building reliable, scalable infrastructure that supports business goals.

# **EDUCATION**

# DevOps & Cloud Computing Bootcamp

Nov. 2025

480 Training Hours, Saudi Digital Academy

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, with Minor in Mathematics

May 2024

Wright State University, Ohio, United States

GPA: 4.0/4.0

# TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming & Scripting: Python, Bash, TypeScript, Express.js

Infrastructure as Code: Terraform, Ansible, CloudFormation, AWS CDK

Containers & Orchestration: Docker, Kubernetes, Helm, NGINX Ingress, Cert-Manager CI/CD & Automation: GitHub Actions, AWS CodeBuild, GitOps, ArgoCD, Jenkins (basic)

Monitoring & Observability: Prometheus, Grafana, CloudWatch, EventBridge, Application Insights Security: Azure Key Vault, Secrets Management, WAF, Private Endpoints, Zero-Trust Architecture

# PROJECTS

# K3s Cluster Homelab — Personal Project

Nov. 2025

- Built a three-node Kubernetes cluster on bare-metal hardware with Pi-Hole, ArgoCD, self-hosted GitHub Actions runners (Action Runner Controller), and GPU-tainted nodes for ML workloads
- Deployed Prometheus/Grafana monitoring stack using MetalLB, establishing full observability across control plane and worker nodes

#### Catus Locatus — Team Lead

Oct. 2025

- Led team of 5 to architect production-ready, multi-cloud three-tier application on AKS using Terraform with fully automated infrastructure provisioning and DNS record sync across Azure and AWS via External-DNS
- Implemented CI/CD pipelines with GitHub Actions achieving 50% reduction in builds and zero-downtime deployments with Prometheus/Grafana monitoring

# Ecommerce Three-tier Application on Azure — Team Lead

Sep. 2025

- Built zero-trust three-tier application using a modular Terraform approach with Application Gateway WAF as the single public point-of-entry, achieving database isolation from public Internet
- Automated SonarQube setup using Ansible playbooks with health checks and secure token management

# Fitness Center Website — Volunteer

Feb-Jun 2025

- Designed scalable AWS infrastructure with RDS, VPC, ALB with SSL, and ECS achieving a 46% container size reduction though multi-stage builds
- Implemented auto-scaling with Lambda, CloudWatch, and EventBridge for scale-to-zero services, reducing costs by 70% using EC2 Spot instances

# WORK EXPERIENCE

# **Lead Teaching Assistant** — Wright State University

Jan. 2022 – May 2024

- Led team of 3 teaching assistants for CS1180: Programming with Java and CEG2350: OS Concepts & Usage courses, mentoring students on object-oriented programming concepts, data structures, and Linux systems
- Automated grading and feedback processes using Bash and Python scripting, improving efficiency by 60%

# **CERTIFICATIONS**

• Terraform Associate, HashiCorp	Aug. 2025
• Solutions Architect – Associate, Amazon Web Services	Jul. 2025
• AZ-900 Azure Fundamentals, Microsoft	Jun. 2025

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SC-900 Security, Compliance, and Identity Fundamentals, Microsoft

Jun. 2025