Bryan McAninch

Founder and Executive Director of Prevade Cybersecurity

Bryan McAninch is a cybersecurity professional with over twenty years' experience in various disciplines including digital forensics, penetration testing, and security architecture. His current area of research is focused on the security implications of cloud, container, and artificial intelligence technologies.

He holds a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from the University of Texas at Dallas and a Master of Science in Cybersecurity from the University of Dallas. Additionally, he is CISSP, SANS GPEN, SABSA CSA, and AWS CSA certified.

Bryan is passionate about cybersecurity and giving back to the community. He is an organizer of the North Texas Cyber Security Group, member of the Dallas Hackers Association, SANS instructor, Frisco ISD mentor, and founder of Prevade Cybersecurity.

Where are you from?
Dallas, Texas

Where did you attend school?
University of Texas at Dallas, B.S. Business Administration
University of Dallas, M.S. Cybersecurity

How did you become interested in IT/MIS as a career?
I've always been fascinated with technology, started programming BASIC at the age of 8. My passion flourished throughout my teens and I decided to pursue a career in business and cybersecurity.

What are you excited to see in the future of ITS/IT/MIS?
The perpetual evolution of technology and innovation.

Why would you recommend ITS/MIS as a career to incoming UTD Students?
It’s a growing field with the skillset being in high demand, especially cybersecurity.