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Education And Technical Training

Master of Science in Cybersecurity, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA

Completion Date: May 2026

Bachelor of Science in Cybersecurity, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA

Completion Date: August 2024

Computer User Support Specialist (CUSS) Program, ACI Learning, Virtual Campus

Completion Date: December 2023

Certifications

CompTIA Security+ Certification Completion Date: March 2024

Clearance: Secret (Active)

Professional Experience

Harbor Group Management - Norfolk, VA

Hours per week: 40

Cybersecurity Analyst Monitor

- Proactively oversee user access and combat spam/phishing incidents reported by users.
- Lead phishing simulations and training for a user base exceeding 3000 individuals, enhancing organizational resilience against cyber threats.
- Stay abreast of industry-specific security threats and vulnerabilities, informing proactive security measures.
- Partner with IT leadership and third-party engineers to develop customized security requirements and migration strategies, optimizing security posture while minimizing operational disruptions.
- Diligently investigate security alerts using Microsoft Defender, safeguarding organizational assets from malicious activities and phishing attempts.
- Lead the design and execution of monthly phishing campaigns to evaluate end-users' resilience to phishing attacks, followed by targeted training sessions to enhance awareness and response capabilities.
- Maintain and manage user accounts, permissions, and network resources within Active Directory, ensuring seamless operations across the organization's IT infrastructure.

Maxx Potential - Remote

01/2024-04/2024

04/2024 - 08/2024

Hours per week: 40

IT Project Manager Apprentice

- Manage end-to-end project lifecycles, ensuring adherence to scope, budget, and timeline.
- Lead cross-functional teams to deliver high-quality IT solutions aligned with business objectives.
- Collaborate with stakeholders to define project requirements and objectives.
- Develop and maintain program budgets for cost-effective resource utilization.
- Provide leadership and mentorship to project teams, fostering innovation and continuous improvement.
- Align IT initiatives with organizational strategy in collaboration with executive leadership.

Hours per week: 8

Innovate Cyber Challenge 2024 Cohort

- Utilize design thinking approach to address cybersecurity challenges within the INNOVATE Cyber cohort.
- Conduct comprehensive research emphasizing empathy and observation to develop human-centered solutions.
- Engage in hands-on fieldwork to gather insights and refine solutions effectively.
- Present project work at final showcases, demonstrating proficiency in problem-solving and communication within the cybersecurity domain.

Brooks Crossing Innovation Lab – Newport News, VA Hours per week: 25

08/2023 - 12/2023

Hours per week: 25

Cybersecurity Coordinator Intern

- Coordinate and train iLab team, fostering collaboration and innovation.
- Plan and execute STEM programs, ensuring effective team coordination.
- Facilitate resource acquisition for project execution.
- Collaborate with stakeholders for cybersecurity initiatives and educational programs.
- Manage and troubleshoot iLab equipment, ensuring operational efficiency.
- Create engaging educational content for K-12 students, enhancing STEM understanding.
- Identify and mitigate cybersecurity risks in collaboration with IT teams.

United States Marine Corps – Chesapeake, VA Hours per week: 40

10/2020 - 05/2022

Hours per week: 40

Security Forces Training and Education Company Staff NCOIC

- Led the planning of the Security Forces curriculum, ensuring alignment with Marine Corps Training and Education policy.
- Spearheaded the transition of the academic department's curriculum policy, gaining approval from the Department of the Navy.
- Oversaw instruction of three teams of sixty combined instructors, training, and administration operations. Spanning physical security, tactics, and combat weapons.
- Mentored and developed instructors to ensure optimal performance and compliance with annual training requirements.
- Drove progression by maintaining qualifications and addressing skill deficiencies.

United States Marine Corps, Richmond, VA

06/2017 - 09/2020

Hours per week: 40

Recruiting Station Commander Staff NCOIC

- Recruiter and Station Commander in Hampton Roads.
- Successfully oversaw multiple recruiting stations, demonstrating expertise in recruitment operations.
- Led teams to consistently meet and exceed monthly, quarterly, and yearly recruitment goals.
- Ensured daily, weekly, and monthly milestones were completed, allowing for comprehensive performance review and goal assessment.
- Coordinated broad operational, administrative, and logistical functions.
- Ensured the confidentiality of sensitive information.
- Successfully managed the implementation of a cloud-based CRM platform, enhancing recruitment and personnel management for the Marine Corps.
- Strategically planned and executed initiatives to achieve desired results, optimizing team performance and goal attainment.
- Attained the ranks of Staff Sergeant and Gunnery Sergeant with meritorious recognition during service on recruiting duty.

United States Marine Corps, Honolulu, HI

Hours per week: 40

Mortarman/Squad Leader/Platoon Sergeant

- Led squad-sized elements in combat training, tactical operations, and field exercises.
- Ensured unit combat readiness through rigorous training and operational planning.

Key Skills:

- Identity and Access Management: Active Directory, Azure, Single Sign-On (SSO), Multi Factor Authentication (MFA)
- Threat Detection and Incident Response: Splunk Enterprise and Microsoft Sentinel
- Networking: Cisco Meraki Network Management, OSI Model, VPN, TCP/IP, LAN/WAN
- Platform & Operating System: Microsoft Azure, Microsoft Office 365, Windows OS, Windows Server, and Linux
- Ticketing System: ServiceNow, Jira Service Management, HP Service Manager

03/2014 - 05/2017