NICE Career Framework Analysis

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Dream Career

The reason I have wanted to join cybersecurity as a career is because it is always changing and evolving. I do not enjoy jobs that are incredibly repetitive, and in other words boring. Cybersecurity seemed perfect for me due to my passion for computers as well as the exponential growth of the industry.

Specific Career Interests

Something that has always stood out to me is the Digital Forensics field. I find it very interesting in regards to the attention to detail, as well as the process and knowledge required to work in this field. Digital crimes are always taking place, and the top ones can cause billions upon billions of dollars in damage. Just last year, hackers shut down the colonial pipeline, causing gas shortages up and down the east coast. They asked for ransom and quickly got it. The digital forensic analysts quickly started working

on this case, and got all the ransom back. I experienced this first hand living in Virginia Beach. I would love to experience this and be one of the people first hand working on these cases to solve digital crimes and heists.

In addition, I have an interest in overseeing and governing cybersecurity operations. I have always seen myself as a responsible leader and one you can trust. If I want to go into this field, I would have to focus my career on cybersecurity management, strategic planning, and project management. This is entirely possible, and something I could see myself enjoying.

Specific Career Turnaways

One career path I could not see myself pursuing is a data collector/analyst. This title seems like it could end up being repetitive to me and would feel like I am a secretary to the main operations. I want to be front line, working on the projects or directing them.

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