

Resume 2 – GDIT: Digital Forensics Examiner (Intelligence Community)

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Professional Summary

Aspiring Digital Forensics Examiner wanting to receive hands-on experience conducting forensic imaging, evidence analysis, and technical reporting through academic and professional projects. Known for meticulous attention to detail, strict chain-of-custody procedures, and effective collaboration on sensitive assignments. Seeking to contribute to GDIT's counterintelligence mission while pursuing advanced certification and TS/SCI eligibility.

Technical Expertise

- Digital Media Acquisition & Analysis (FTK, EnCase, Autopsy, Cellebrite UFED)
 - Incident Response & Malware Analysis
 - Network & System Security (Windows, Linux, Mac OS)
 - Log, Email, and File Metadata Examination
 - Chain of Custody & Evidentiary Documentation
 - Report Writing & Briefing Preparation
 - Familiarity with DoD/IC Cyber Operations and Insider Threat Concepts
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Education

Old Dominion University – Norfolk, VA

Bachelor of Science in Cybersecurity – Expected Winter 2025

- Dean's List | Focus: Forensics, Cyber Law, Risk Management

ECPI University – Virginia Beach, VA

Associate of Science in Computer Information Science, Cybersecurity Concentration – November 2022

- Magna Cum Laude | Dean's List
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Relevant Experience

Cyber Risk Management Intern

Coastal Virginia Commonwealth Cyber Initiative – Norfolk, VA | Jan 2025 – Present

- Performed structured risk assessments and contributed to policy design for small-business clients.
- Conducted security awareness training and assisted in incident response plan development.
- Delivered executive summaries aligning findings with NIST and CISA guidance.

Digital Forensic Case Investigator (Academic Capstone)

Old Dominion University – CYSE 407 | Spring 2025

- Executed a full forensic investigation on mobile and laptop devices involving potential data exfiltration.
- Utilized FTK Imager, Autopsy, EnCase, and Cellebrite UFED for acquisition, carving, and recovery.
- Produced a professional report summarizing findings, timeline analysis, and counterintelligence indicators.

Tech Agent

SAIC – Norfolk, VA | Jun 2023 – Dec 2023

- Provided technical support for federal users and maintained secure configurations across enterprise systems.
 - Assisted with hardware troubleshooting and verified proper network permissions and patch updates.
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Certifications & Training

- Security+ (In Progress – Target April 2025)
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Professional Engagement

- Women in Cybersecurity (WiCyS) – 2025 Scholarship Recipient
 - Tau Sigma National Honor Society
 - LeADERS Program – Leadership, Research & Writing Development
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