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## EDUCATION

Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA

B.S in Cybersecurity

Major or Concentration: Cybersecurity

GPA: 3.09

2025

Minor: N/A

## RELATED CLASSES

**IT 315 (Introduction to Networking and Security):** This class primarily focused on networking concepts, technology, issues related to data communications and networks, and network protocols. It taught how to better understand components of networking, wiring, routing & switching, as well as basic physical wiring situations. Examples include IP internetworking, security of a system overview, and understanding network topologies.

**IT 201 (Introduction to Information Systems):** Focused on introductory hardware/software components, information systems, explanation of programming systems and business intelligence, as well as IT infrastructure and its relations to security. Examples include system software operating systems and utility programs, ethical and social issues in information systems as well as protecting them, and introductions to network and communication devices.

**CS 462 (Cybersecurity Fundamentals):** In this class, network and internet protocols were heavily examined as well as vulnerable protocols such as HTTP. Other cyber topics such as cyber threats and defenses, discussion of firewalls and security. Examples include understanding application systems, transport layer and network layer overviews and discussions, and overall learning about cybersecurity and its tools, components, and its provision.

**CYSE 201 (Cybersecurity and the Social Sciences):** This course primarily discusses cybersecurity and its social, political, legal, and logical frameworks. It introduces cybersecurity from a social science aspect and heavily discusses human factors within cyber environments. Understanding human factors can help a cyber environment stay protected against simple mistakes, preparing for attacks, and eliminating vulnerabilities.

## RELATED EXPERIENCE

Chili's, Inc. Chesapeake, Virginia

Server

April 2023 - present

- Take food and drink orders from guests; send them in in order; run drinks/food if needed.
  - This is expected every shift. It is also expected to maintain your tables' needs throughout their dining experience.
  - Expression and good attitude is needed.
  - Move quickly to each table and accomplish the same task.
- GWAP (Guests with a Problem) % is 3.5% currently. Servers are required to maintain the GWAP % below 10% or they are moved to the food running position.
- Repetitiveness and being able to learn quickly was needed to be successful at this job.
- Extra accountabilities include up-selling, making suggestions to guests, and being spot-on with a guest's order, even it gets specific.

**Jimmy Johns, LLC. Chesapeake, Virginia****In-Shop Employee / Driver****July 2021 – April 2023**

- Greeting customers when they enter and exit.
- Executing fast and neat sandwiches while maintaining sanitation and safety standards.
  - Repetition and overall hands-on skills is required to be successful at this certain job.
  - Restocking meats and other ingredients to keep swiftness while making sandwiches.
  - Teaching new staff how to be quick and exquisite while running the bread line.
- Maintaining the restaurant's cleanliness.
- Take telephone orders when needed.
- Complete the sandwich ticket with assurance move along each ticket with authority. This was to eliminate mistakes.

**ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE****Walmart, Inc. Chesapeake, Virginia****January 2020 – April 2020****E-Commerce Employee**

- Ensure customers' orders are correct and everything is present.
- Deliver orders to customers with speed and caution, get them to sign, and bring cart back to workstation.
  - Be able to locate chilled/ambient/frozen items if needed.
  - Be able to work in the heat/rain.
  - Ability to manage stressful situations such as overflow of customers' coming in at once.

**LEADERSHIP****College Fraternity : Phi Delta Theta (Old Dominion University)****January 2023 - present**

- Local college events.
  - Fundraisers
  - New brother scouting
  - Sorority socials
  - Pre-football game fundraisers

**SKILLS**

Introductory skills in python, math, networking, social engineering, Linux and other cyber operations, cyber defense mechanisms, TCP/IP 7-layer model, and slight understanding of other programming languages such as Java or C++.

Slight understanding of cyber law, its components, and how cybersecurity presents new challenges when America's justice system gets involved.

Minimal understanding of examining cyber-attacks such as Wireshark. Using Wireshark and other cyber tools to examine network disturbances and traffic. Substantial amounts of work was also done with virtual labs and using them to explain, dissect, and examine network traffic.