

Reflection Paper #1

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So far, my internship experience has been both rewarding and educational. From the very beginning, I didn't even think I would've gotten into the program because of high competition, so I'm grateful to even be a part of the cyberclinic. I've had the opportunity to apply what I've learned in the program while also gaining new skills along the way. One of the key highlights

has been exploring the NIST Cybersecurity Framework, which gave me a deeper understanding of how organizations identify, protect, detect, respond to, and recover from cyber threats. In addition to the technical learning, I've really valued the group activities we did, especially the collaborative sessions with Dr. Baaki, where we worked as a team to analyze problems and come up with practical solutions. These group activities pushed me out of my comfort zone and encouraged me to speak up more, even though I usually get nervous when talking in front of others. Over time, I've started to build more confidence in sharing my thoughts and contributing to team discussions, which has been a big step forward for me personally and professionally.

As the program continues, I'm excited to see what new challenges and learning opportunities lie ahead. I look forward to learning more about cybersecurity concepts, continuing to strengthen my technical and communication skills, and becoming more comfortable in collaborative settings. Each week has already helped me grow, and I'm committed to pushing myself even further, both in knowledge and confidence. Most importantly, I'm eager to apply everything I'm learning to support the clients I'll be working with in the upcoming weeks by helping them navigate their concerns with care and professionalism.