

# ELIZABETH SIMPKINS

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## EDUCATION:

Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA

**Bachelors of Science in Cybersecurity**

**Graduation:** May 2027

**Major:** Cybersecurity

**Minor:** Criminal Justice

**GPA:** 4.0

**Dean's List:** Fall 2024 IDS schools

**Perry Honors College Student**

## SKILLS/CERTIFICATIONS/CERTIFICATES:

### Hard Skills

- Intro to Cybersecurity Path, TryHackMe certificate June 2023
- Pre Security Path, TryHackMe certificate July 2023
- Beginner level of proficiency in Linux Spring 2025
- Proficient in using Microsoft applications

### Soft Skills

- Executed excellent teamwork skills, multiple group projects
  - Nonprofit project to connect ODU with a nonprofit Spring 2025
- Collaborated with students from another country
  - COIL project for a 4 week group project Spring 2025
- Presented outstanding drive in school and career path by completing degree in 3 years instead of 4 and by future pursuance of a masters as well.
- Determined at putting forth nothing but my best
- Demonstrated skilled writing:
  - High level research papers during my first semester in college Fall 2024
  - Passed a 200-level writing course with an A Fall 2024
  - Honors and AP level writing courses in high school 2020-2024
- Lead multiple classes and functions during high school
- Continued interest in learning more about computers

## RELATED EXPERIENCE/COURSES:

### CS2A (Cybersecurity Student Association) Member

Fall 2024-Present

- Connected with fellow cyber majors by gaining helpful insights into the field and participate in cyber-related events
- Participated in event called CyberOps, which was a CTF challenge

**WiCys (Women in Cybersecurity) Member**

Fall 2024-Present

- Connected with other women in the cyber environment and build our own environment to build each other up.

**Cybersecurity Bootcamp Intro Course/ODU**

August 2023

- Completed an introduction course about the foundations of cybersecurity.
- Learned about different programming languages used such as Python and Linux, as well as different resources to get practical experience in, like Try hack Me
- Gained experience in using technical terms and operating systems
- Passed the introduction course with an A and learned valuable information

**VOLUNTEER WORK:****ODU Alternative Spring Break Program**

March 2025

Virginia Beach Aquarium, Virginia Beach, VA

- Communicated effectively with my team to guide them on how to use tools to weed the flowerbeds outside the aquarium.

Operation Smile, Virginia Beach, VA

- Learned how to sew for the first time while I sewed smile bags for child patients after they were done in surgery for correcting their cleft lips.

Project Linus

- Demonstrated teamwork by working with my team to make a no-sew blanket for a child either in the hospital, homeless shelter, or who has experienced a traumatic experience.

Chesapeake Bay Foundation, Brock Environmental Center, Virginia Beach, VA

- Developed skills to use new tools while cutting metal cage sheets to create oyster cages.

Diaper Distribution, Norfolk VA

- Collaborated with students and ODU faculty to wrap hundreds of diapers to be distributed to families in need.

Foodbank of Southeast Virginia, Norfolk, VA

- Encouraged my team of volunteers to get the most food bags for kids in need completed by a group of volunteers and accomplished a record of 501 bags.

ODU food pantry, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA

- Helped stock, organize, and prepare the ODU food pantry for ODU students in need of food and supplies.