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Reflection #2

Introduction and Class Content

These next 50 hours have been rockier regarding work. Still, it forced me to improve collaboration and reflect on my goals. Meeting Greg Tomchick was great, not only for learning about his experience but also for how his approach to making cybersecurity understandable. While it was unfortunate I couldn't meet David Price, the CISA module provided comprehensive information.

Individual Work

While the only individual work was the Four Questions Assignment, those questions on contribution, growth, experiences, and execution gave me clarity to assess what kind of purpose I wanted to have, both in cybersecurity and in my life. The flexibility also helped in allowing me to acknowledge multiple areas of what I wanted to do and create paths.

Group Work

This area has had the most experiences, and while there was a struggle, I've enjoyed the work. Assessing local companies did require strategy, but talking with managers and collaborating was fulfilling. However, the Crosswalk was strenuous. The difficulty came from comparing a single section with ten topics, which can lead to repetition.

Next were our meetings with Tanya Shadley, the CEO of TRS Productions. Our initial meeting was good for learning about her perspective, both on her cybersecurity posture and business. Our second meeting focused on assessing different aspects to better learn how to help her.

Working through the final risk assessment with my team has been smooth. There have been difficulties with references, but I am grateful to my team for being a significant support for work.

Conclusion

In conclusion, this period provided hands-on experience and helped me reassess. Greg Tomchick and CISA gave me an understanding of how frameworks and companies structure cybersecurity. My assignments have made me reflect on my current path, but also provide different experiences. I look forward to the last 50 hours, hoping that they can have ample payoff.