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Relevant work experience

Forensic and Litigation Consulting (Cybersecurity) Intern | FTI Consulting | Washington, DC 06/2025 - 08/2025
Hours per week: 40

- Collaborated on security control assessments to evaluate organizational posture and risk areas.
- Supported a database project by researching company information and associated legal firms.
- Developed expert reports through litigation material analysis, forensic evidence review, and data analysis.
- Developed a geolocation database of blocked IP addresses to identify recurring patterns and threat analysis.
- Reviewed litigation materials and forensic evidence to finalize an expert report supporting investigative findings.
- Participated in a simulated Private Equity mergers and acquisitions engagement for cybersecurity risk assessments.
- Participated in a Capture The Flag (CTF) exercise focused on malware analysis.
- Developed open-source and threat intelligence reports using investigative research techniques and tools.
- Developed a simulated digital forensics report analyzing indicators of potential data exfiltration activity.
- Developed risk strategies to assess fraudulent remote worker identities linked to North Korean threat actors.

Cyber Risk Management Specialist | Commonwealth Cyber Initiative Coastal Virginia (COVA CCI) | Norfolk, VA 08/2024 - 12/2024
Hours per week: 10

- Participated in security posture evaluations of companies around ODU for cybersecurity awareness.
- Developed a cybersecurity risk framework for a local organization.

Federal Work Study Summer Facilitator | Old Dominion University | Norfolk, VA 04/2024 - 05/2024
Hours per week: 10

- Designed flyers and spotlight posters for upcoming summer events.
- Utilized Microsoft Excel and Microsoft Office to organize event information.

Education, certification or licenses

CompTIA Security+ (SYO-701) Certification | Chesapeake, VA Completion date: 07/2026
Technical or occupational certificate

Old Dominion University | Norfolk, VA Completion date: 05/2026
Bachelor's degree | GPA: 3.86 of a maximum of 4.00 | Credits Earned: 120
Major: Cybersecurity | Minor: Computer Science

Relevant Courses

- Cybersecurity Fundamentals, Basic Cybersecurity Programming and Networking, Cyber Techniques and Operations, Cybersecurity Ethics, Windows System Management and Security

Technical Skills

- Programming: Python, Java
- Operating Systems: Ubuntu, Kali Linux, Windows Server 2019
- Tools and Platforms: Microsoft Excel, Word, PowerPoint, WordPress

Certifications

- Commonwealth Cyber Initiative (CCI) Clearance Preparedness Program | 11/2024
- LinkedIn Learning: Excel for Mac Essential Training (Microsoft 365)
- LinkedIn Learning: Word for Mac Essential Training (Microsoft 365)

Professional publications

Coastal Virginia Commonwealth Cyber Initiative Undergraduate Research Program | 04/2023
"The Lack of Black Female Diversity Within the Cybersecurity Workforce"

Additional information

The SUMMIT - Academic Chair | 05/2025 - 05/2026

- Organized a "Speed Networking Night" event and moderated a panel of students.
- Maintained executive board documentation and meeting records.
- Supported the on-campus food pantry with cleaning and restocking.

AFCEA Maritime IT Cyber Summit | 08/2025

- Supported the coordination of the CTF event.

Virginia Space Grant Consortium STEM Bridge Scholarship Program | 04/2025

- Awarded a \$1,000 undergraduate research grant

- Completed research report with a required interview.