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**Reflection #2**

### **Internship Reflection Paper**

#### **Second 50 Hours**

Working as an Information Security Intern for 100 hours has given me a deeper understanding of how an enterprise environment works. As someone who is used to finding something that catches my interest and doing it that same second, it was a hard switch to slowing down and doing specific steps and going into meetings with different departments of the company. The past week, I have been in and out of meetings with so many people from different departments, and I have changed how I am going to do my project. While there has been a lot of change in how I am going to do my project, it hasn't been a fast change. This has left me with little work to do and has led me to shadow my coworkers for a couple of days. Thankfully, shadowing has taught me a lot that has changed the way I think about defensive security.

Overall, the second 50 hours were just a lot of waiting and learning. Since my workload was low, I decided to learn the tools and environment that I would be using throughout the next 6 weeks. My mentor led me through how to get certified in a

vulnerability scanner and an asset aggregator tool we use. While watching these lectures, I asked if there was anything I could work on and do. That led me to learn more about the SC-200 and the AZ-900 for my certification goals for next year.

With most of my work said above, the thing I appreciate the most about Chartway is the fact that they have a dedicated charity foundation and a huge open-minded community. Last Thursday, we went to Camp Grom, which is a summer camp aligned with the YMCA that advertises itself as a camp for military, veteran, and Gold Star families. We were out to help them build up and clean their reflection garden. It was a fun time, and I got to show off my skills in digging holes. I'm sure I dug about 15 holes that day and planted a bunch of flowers. After we finished our work at the reflection garden, we picked up loose trash and garbage strung around the camp.

Overall, these last 100 hours have gone from a new experience to a waiting game that slowed down my project. Thankfully, being able to go out and help my community and get out of the office helped me gain a better understanding of the mission of Chartway and really get excited for the next couple of weeks.







