

# Reflection Paper 3

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When it comes to my reflection, this far throughout the internship, it has truly been an experience like none I have had before. Never would I have thought that providing a risk assessment, can be more challenging than expected, and relies on a design thinking approach, to propose a prototype that satisfies the customer. Even though this is not my first design thinking internship; however, the cyber clinic provides me real world experience, on what a cyber risk management professional concludes within their role. Which makes me reconsider, the importance that cyber risk management could have on my career, even though this is not my first option, when it comes to cyber roles. Furthermore, the cyber clinic has helped me in building upon, many of my soft skills that can be useful in the workforce, such as communication, empathy, decision making, and innovation. These soft skills are crucial in the field of cyber security, due to the constant advancement of technologies, and are just as important as technical skills. These soft skills have helped me build stronger relationships not only with my teammates, but also with my client. Which in my opinion is very crucial, since these small organizations, rely heavily on are prototypes, in aiding them in a field such as cybersecurity, since most of them have no familiarity with common cyber threats. Which in my opinion, puts more pressure on my team to come up with a very robust security framework, that matches the client's needs. In conclusion, there are many plans, that me and my team, need to come up with, before conducting our full report, and designing innovative solutions. Overall, this internship has provided me with many opportunities to grow my network, and continue my cybersecurity journey.