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Summary

Cybersecurity student at Old Dominion University in the Perry Honors College, pursuing a B.S. in Cybersecurity with a minor in Cybercrime and Criminal Justice, expected May 2026. Experienced in technical operations, equipment maintenance, and user training, with strong teamwork, communication, and problem-solving skills. Active in cybersecurity student organizations and a Dean's List recipient.

EDUCATION

Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA

Bachelor of Science Expected Graduation: May 2026

Major: Cybersecurity **Minor:** Cybercrime & Criminal Justice

Perry Honors College

GPA: 3.39

Dean's List: Spring 2023, Fall 2023, Spring 2025

Skills

- Python
- Linux
- Windows Systems Management
- Network Security
- Digital Forensics
- Strong Work Ethic
- Attention to Detail
- Organization Skills
- Critical Thinking
- Innovative Mindset
- Eager to Learn
- Time Management
- Teamwork Skills
- Effective Communication

RELATED EXPERIENCE

ODU Brooks Crossing Innovation Lab, Newport News, VA

Maker Space Technician Intern,

Sept 2024 – Dec 2024

- Operated and maintained iLab equipment, including lasers, 3D printers, CNC machines, vinyl cutters, heat presses, UV printers, and DTG printers.
- Recommended replacement parts and performed regular maintenance to ensure functionality.
- Taught community members to use equipment during Open Makerspace programs and develop tutorials and training materials for staff and users.
- Collaborated with youth and adult camp participants, enhancing problem-solving abilities and interpersonal skills.

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

Target, Midlothian, VA; **Sales and Fulfillment Associate,**

Nov 2022 –Present

- Delivered exceptional guest experiences by engaging authentically and addressing specific needs.
- Processed and fulfilled digital orders, including pickup, drive-up, and ship-to-home services.
- Utilized in-depth product and service knowledge to resolve guest concerns and enhance satisfaction.

LEADERSHIP/ACTIVITIES

- Regularly attend conferences and seminars to enhance people skills, develop strategies for facing adversity, and improve leadership abilities.
- Gained experience in running meetings, mentoring others, and successfully applied these skills in building and leading a team.
- Cyber Security Student Association
- Coastal Virginia Cybersecurity Student Association

