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SUMMARY

Recent cybersecurity graduate (Summa Cum Laude) with hands-on experience in digital forensics, incident response, and malware analysis through academic projects, and professional experience in security governance, privacy compliance, and documentation. Strong analytical background in packet and log analysis, IAM, and data governance.

EDUCATION

B.S. Cybersecurity Analytics and Operations – Summa Cum Laude May 2026
Pennsylvania State University

WORK EXPERIENCE

Cybersecurity and Engagement Specialist August 2024 – Present
Stemuli – Dallas, TX (Remote)

- Drove COPPA/FERPA compliance for a K-12 platform, translating regulatory changes into platform policies, consent workflows, and remediation tracking.
- Conduct recurring security control and tool assessments across 15+ cloud and SaaS platforms, develop hardening recommendations, and deliver weekly security-awareness briefings and new-hire orientations.
- Built and managed a paid cohort of 55+ student research testers from the ground up — running weekly sessions, moderating online channels, and tracking engagement at a ~77% monthly active rate.
- Produced recurring qualitative research reports from session transcripts and student-created media, using AI-assisted analysis to accelerate synthesis of participant feedback into product insights.

Cybersecurity and Technology Intern September 2023 – August 2024
Stemuli – Dallas, TX (Remote)

- Led data compliance initiatives, researching and proposing data governance procedures aligned with CIS, NIST, COPPA, and FERPA under Zero Trust principles.
- Analyzed vendor and partner security questionnaires and audited security tools across AWS RDS, GCP, Azure, and SaaS platforms, assessing encryption, IAM, and policy compliance.
- Created 4 team-specific onboarding handbooks and a 9-domain employee training handbook to streamline onboarding and security awareness.

Technology and Computer Hardware Intern June 2020 – August 2023
FEBA, LLC – Warminster, PA

- Provided technical support for Windows systems and VoIP services, resolving hardware/software issues.

SKILLS AND CERTIFICATIONS

- **Technical:** Incident Response, Digital Forensics, Malware Analysis, SIEM & Log Analysis, IDS/IPS, Network Security, Vulnerability Assessment, IAM, Zero Trust, Cloud Security, Security Awareness Training, AI-Assisted Workflows
- **Security Tools:** Splunk, Elastic Stack (ELK), Wireshark, tcpdump, Snort, OSSEC, Nmap, Volatility, Autopsy, FTK Imager, PeStudio, ProcMon, FakeNet-NG, VirusTotal, Linux, Cisco Packet Tracer
- **Governance & Compliance:** GRC, Privacy Compliance (COPPA/FERPA), Third-Party / Vendor Risk, Risk Assessment, Data Governance, CIS/NIST/ISO 27000 Frameworks, Security Control Assessments, Policies & Procedures
- **Languages & Certifications:** Python, Java, JavaScript, SQL, HTML, Git; CompTIA Security+, Microsoft SC-900, AZ-900, DP-900

PROJECTS

Forensic Analysis Labs (Network, Memory, Log & Image) – Completed individual forensic investigations using Wireshark, Volatility, Autopsy, and custom Python log parsing to identify compromised hosts, malicious processes, and indicators of compromise from network, memory, and Windows Event Log evidence.

Capstone Forensic Ransomware Investigation – Conducted a digital forensic investigation of a simulated ransomware attack, analyzing 12.7M+ packets, 7 memory captures, 6 disk images, and 90,000+ log entries to reconstruct the full attack chain, identifying initial access, lateral movement, and exfiltration.

Malware Research and Analysis – Directed team analysis of 12 malware samples using static and dynamic techniques to identify malware families, indicators of compromise, and command-and-control behavior.

Turbo Ransomware IR Playbook & Tabletops – Spearheaded development of a comprehensive ransomware incident response playbook with detailed escalation protocols, while managing weekly scrum meetings and milestone deliverables.

Elderly Tech Support Fraud Risk Analysis – Drove a semester-long risk analysis applying the MECE framework and benefit-cost comparison to recommend a defense-in-depth strategy against $1M+ retirement fund fraud.

Secure Patient Data System Integration – Built a Java pipeline securing patient data through AES encryption, JSON serialization, and RabbitMQ message queuing across an end-to-end input-to-display workflow.