

# Umar Khatab

Junior Security Researcher

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## Career Objectives

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With 3 years of experience in web3 development, I'm now focusing on security research. I've audited 4 protocols, finding 8 critical issues, 5 highs, and 9 mediums. Currently, I'm delving into auditing Rust-based PLONKish zero-knowledge circuits. My strong interpersonal skills set me apart, and I'm eager to join a team dedicated to securing the web3 space.

## Experience

### ❖ CTF Cracker

- Found **8 Criticals** , 4 Highs and 4 Medium issues in Halborn CTF
- **Top 8** in AMAZE X DSS 2023
- **Top 20** in Secureum Race-24
- Solved Past Secureum Races and Ethernaut and DamnVulnerable DeFi.

### ❖ Blockchain development Expertise

- Developed and deployed 100+ secure smart contracts across EVM chains
- Built 30+ dapps for customer solutions
- Proficient in Solidity , Javascript and getting better in Rust

### ❖ Bug Hunter & Auditor

- Audited three blockchain protocols achieving a leaderboard **rank** of **109** in codehawks.
- Found 3 Medium severity issues in Raisin Labs

### ❖ Blockchain Content Writer | LinkedIn + Youtube

- Released a **EVM Master Class** on Youtube Channel . [Check here](#)
- Published a beginner-friendly Text based **Blockchain course** on LinkedIn. [Check here](#)
- Secureum Race **Writeups**. [Check here](#)

## Skills

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Solidity | javascript | Yul | Rust | circom | zkSnarks | Halo2 | Foundry| hardhat | Manual and Fuzz testing | Common vulnerabilities | Layer2s | ZKPs | NFTs | Zero knowledge | DeFi | ERC standards | Understanding DeFi protocols like Uniswap and Compound

## Education

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### ❖ **Bachelors in Computer Science, Fast Nukes Lahore**

Availed the opportunity to learn data structures, algorithms, design principles, low-level languages like Assembly and C++ in-depth, and much more.

## Certifications & Courses

- ❖ **Yacademy** - Cohort 1 of zero knowledge proofs | In-progress
- ❖ **Secureum** Bootcamp - Epoch  $\infty$  | In-Progress
- ❖ **0xParc** Halo2 zero knowledge proofs Cohort | In-progress
- ❖ **Rareskills** zk-book | Completed
- ❖ **Secureum** Bootcamp - Epoch0 | Completed
  - Completed, In-depth smart contracts security.
- ❖ **Mastering Ethereum** Book | Completed
  - Deep dive into Ethereum Virtual Machine (EVM).
- ❖ **DeFi - A Deep Dive** - Coursera | Completed
  - Comprehensive understanding of decentralized finance protocols.
- ❖ **LearnWeb3DAO** | Completed
  - Senior Track
  - Junior Track
  - Sophomore Track
  - Freshman Track

## Contributions & Community Involvement

- ❖ **Gold Contributor** at LearnWeb3Dao
  - Actively involved in helping others learn about blockchain and web3 technologies.
- ❖ Blockchain Fundamentals **Course**
  - Published a free course on LinkedIn to educate on the basics of blockchain.
- ❖ Master Cryptography **Course**
  - In-progress course on LinkedIn aimed at mastering cryptography.
- ❖ Stacks Clarity **Tutorial**
  - Created a guide for building a todo app on Stacks blockchain.

## Call to action

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To discuss about the role further ,i would suggest sending me an email at [umarkhatabfrl@gmail.com](mailto:umarkhatabfrl@gmail.com). Thank you