

# ZOHEIR SHAIKH

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## EDUCATION

Master of Science in Cybersecurity  
University of Houston- Houston, Texas  
SGPA - 4.0

Expected Graduation: May 2027

## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

I am a graduate cybersecurity student with hands-on experience in security testing, automation, and incident triage. Strong foundation in Python scripting, network traffic analysis, and vulnerability assessment, with proven ability to support red and blue team operations.

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Offensive Security:** Metasploit, Burp Suite, Nmap, Weevely, SE Toolkit, Kali Linux.
- **Engineering & Automation:** Python (Exploit Dev), Bash Scripting, Docker-based C2 infrastructure
- **Defensive Ops:** Wireshark, Traffic Analysis, Phishing Triage.
- **Certifications:** Google Cybersecurity Professional, TryHackMe - Jr. PenTester & Web Fundamentals.

## EXPERIENCE

Red Team Analyst Intern June 2024 - December 2024  
DeepCytes Ventures Pvt. Ltd., Mumbai, India

- I helped the firm achieve a 40% increase in operational efficiency by architecting a custom integration of red-team tools into their SaaS-based vulnerability platform.
- Executed end-to-end adversarial simulations, mapping findings to MITRE ATT&CK frameworks to validate detection logic and internal defense posture.
- Developed automated scripts for reconnaissance and initial access, significantly reducing the time-to-exploit during engagement cycles.

Technical Support Engineer Intern December 2023 - January 2024  
Network TechLab Pvt. Ltd., Mumbai, India

- I helped the organization slash first-response times by 30% by building an automated triage pipeline for security alerts.
- I led Triage for 20+ daily high-fidelity security alerts, performing deep-packet analysis to verify threat patterns.
- Authored enterprise-grade incident response playbooks that standardized the escalation process for critical phishing campaigns.

Research Intern January 2023 - April 2023  
Shah and Anchor Kutchhi Engineering College, Mumbai, India

- Using my background in Deep Web Intelligence, I helped secure the organizational perimeter by identifying 12+ active threat vectors and delivering actionable mitigation intelligence.

## ACADEMIC PROJECTS

Controlled Payload Simulation & Detection, Shah and Anchor Kutchhi Engineering College

November 2022

- Developed custom payloads using SET and Weevely to test EDR/Antivirus bypass techniques, identifying critical defensive blind spots.

Dockerized CTF Challenge Development, Shah and Anchor Kutchhi Engineering College

April 2024

- Engineered a scalable, containerized environment for vulnerability analysis, increasing participant success by 60% through optimized challenge design.
- Developed custom challenges focused on Web Exploitation and Privilege Escalation.

## ACTIVITIES

CTF Player | OWASP-TCET (2023), IITB-CTF (2023):

- Participated in competitive Capture the Flag events across domains: Web, OSINT, Crypto, PrivEsc.

Industry Visit | AIPL Centre, Navi Mumbai (2023):

- Gained practical knowledge of networking equipment (switches, routers, IDS), Digital Forensics (Faraday's Bag), and the growth/relevance of Cybersecurity certifications in real-world operations.