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#### **PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY**

Cybersecurity Professional with one year of experience in cyber prevent domain, specializing in Risk and Incident Management. ISACA CISA certified and trained in ISO 27001.

## **EDUCATION**

# University at Buffalo, The State University of New York

June 2023

## Master of Science, Management Information Systems (GPA: 3.58/4.0)

Advanced Certificate in information security and Audit

Relevant courses: IT RISK (CRISC), Information Assurance, Cybersecurity, Predictive Analysis, DBMS, Statistics, IS Audit.

## Vellore Institute of Technology, Vellore

June 2021

## **Bachelor of Technology in Computer Science Engineering (GPA: 3.26/4.0)**

Relevant Courses: Digital Forensics, Cybersecurity, Database Management System, Operating System

#### **EXPERIENCE**

Vodafone Pvt Ltd, Cyber Security Analyst, India

Aug. 2021-Aug. 2022

## **Security Operations**

- Administered Public Key Infrastructure Domain, serving as Vodafone's Certificate Authority for private and public-facing domains ensuring 99% adherence to service agreements of the PKI team.
- Monitored network traffic, conducted packet analysis of data, and investigated security alerts to ascertain prompt incident response following priority provided by infrastructure teams.
- Enhanced Organization's email security by utilizing the Cofense PhishMe tool to detect and thwart phishing emails and malware threats.
- Handled major escalated calls (L2 Level) and confirmed it is closed within defined SLA, granting support for internal audit.
- Led a security awareness initiative and conducted knowledge transfer sessions for 50 employees, received an award for creating video on DDOS and Social Engineering attacks.

#### **Risk and Compliance Associate**

- Assessed security controls to ensure compliance. Tested security systems to ensure integrity using SOC tools when adopting change management process within projects.
- Assisted in the preparation of reports for senior management, detailing risk profiles and compliance status.
- Possess academic knowledge of GRC software tools for risk assessments and compliance management.

## **RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS**

## **Cryptography-based Authentication System for Secured Communication**, VIT Vellore

Nov.2021–Apr.2022

Developed a secure communication system using biometric, cryptographic, and cloud technology. Optimized LBPH face recognition algorithm up to 5% for efficiency by identifying ideal balance between time and accuracy. Published research finding in an IEEE research paper.

## Auditing Low-Code & No-Code Platforms: Securing Citizen Development, SUNY Buffalo

Nov.2022–Mar.2023

Authored a chapter on low-code/no-code platforms, risks, and controls for the book "Modernizing Enterprise IT Audit Governance and Management Practices". Chapter scheduled for publication.

#### **CERTIFICATIONS**

Certified Information Systems Auditor (CISA) ISACA, Certified in Cybersecurity by ISC2, COMPTIA Security+ (In Progress)

#### SKILLS

Tools: Wireshark, SIEM, Nmap, SAS Enterprise Miner, Cofense PhishMe, BMC Remedy, Audit Case studies

# **PROJECTS**

**Digital Envelope for secure Messaging** - A shared key in combination with RSA keys is used to encrypt and decrypt messages carried by digital envelope between two parties thus delivering a better secure communication thus achieving more integrity.

**Honeywell-based encryption using steganography** - An encryption system leveraging Honeywell concept is built with purpose of misleading attackers by providing meaningful output even though incorrect passwords are used to decrypt an encrypted message. A correct password produces the correct intended message.

I possess basic knowledge through course work and bootcamps in the following areas: ISO 9001:2015, ISO/IEC 27001:2013, COBIT 2019, NIST CSF, NIST SP 800-53, CIS Controls, GDPR, SOX, HIPAA, and CCPA privacy regulations.