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EDUCATION

Carnegie Mellon University Pittsburgh, PA

Master of Science in Information Security

December 2025

Selected Coursework: Introduction to Computer Systems, Principles of Imperative Computation

University of New Orleans New Orleans, LA

Masters of Science in Computer Science Prerequisites

December 2023

GPA: 4.0/4.0

Selected Coursework: Data Structures, Systems Programming Concepts, Assembly Language (x86)

Louisiana State University Baton Rouge, LA

Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences

December 2020

SKILLS

Programming: Java, C, Python, Assembly (x86, x64, ARM), Powershell,

CLI: Zsh, Vim, GDB, Shell scripting, Nmap, pwntools

Tools: Ghidra, IDA, Radare2, VirtualBox, Wireshark, Burp Suite, Docker, OpenSSF

Operating Systems: Linux, Windows, Mac

Cloud Services: AWS, Microsoft Azure, Exchange Online Services, O365

Development: Git version control, Pipeline efficiency, Agile methodology, Open source software security

Languages: Fluent in English and Arabic

EXPERIENCE

Seattle, WA Amazon SECURITY ENGINEER INTERN May 2024 - August 2024

- Analyzed and secured Mayen packages, covering ~40% of Amazon's codebase, reducing potential security risks by 30%.
- Developed a deprecation checking feature for 90% of Amazon's codebase, reducing vulnerable package usage by 25%.
- Implemented security for Developers which enhanced CI/CD pipeline efficiency by reducing code review time.
- Gained proficiency in AWS Lambda, ECR, and Dynamodb contributing to agile development processes.

Susan G Komen Remote, USA

CYBER SECURITY ANALYST INTERN

August 2023 - November 2023

- Conducted port scans on web applications and identified associated CVEs enhancing network security
- Constructed a Wireshark training environment to bolster the team's network analysis capabilities
- Monitored web traffic requests and ensured confidentiality of medical records on web application
- Designed data flow diagrams using Microsoft Viso to streamline vulnerability identification

JMH Companies New Orleans, LA May 2023 - August 2023

INFORMATION SECURITY INTERN

- Developed a PowerShell script identifying user email permission errors with 100% accuracy
- Utilized Microsoft Defender for Cyber Threat Hunting, improving Defender security score by 15%
- Responded to enterprise security incidents and refined user protocol for future mitigation
- Collaborated on a patch management strategy adhering to the NIST, CISA, and OWASP guidelines

University of New Orleans ASSISTANT WEB SECURITY RESEARCHER New Orleans, LA

November 2022 - May 2023

Developed a Flask application resulting in automated phishing attacks, increasing analysis accuracy

- Implemented a SQLite database storing critical email statistics and unique user identification
- Reconstructed malicious web request techniques used to evade web security crawler for security analysis

LEADERSHIP

University of New Orleans CTF CLUB TEAM LEADER New Orleans, LA

January 2023 - December 2023

- Organized and directed team during CTF competitions, fostering a collaborative learning environment
- Guided peers on how to identify memory corruption vulnerabilities in binaries using IDA and Ghidra
- Mentored team in using GDB and Python for function stack analysis and binary exploit development