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As a Computer Science and Cybersecurity double major at Marist University, I am excited to apply for the Cyber Risk Advisory position. My technical experience, combined with a strong sense of responsibility developed as a volunteer firefighter and continued as a strong student leader, has shaped my commitment to protecting digital environments and responding effectively under pressure.

During my internships with UPS Global Network Services, I developed full-stack automation tools, integrated Cisco ISE for secure privilege management, and built SQL-based systems that optimized workflows across thousands of network devices. These experiences strengthened my skills in scripting, forensic-style problem solving, and process automation, directly relevant to CRA's focus on digital investigations and data-driven response. I also bring hands-on programming experience in Python, SQL, and VBA, which I've leveraged to automate log parsing, data analysis, and network configuration tasks.

My background in cybersecurity stemmed from my first incident response experience that began outside the classroom. Through years as a volunteer firefighter, I learned to stay calm under pressure, think analytically in emergencies, and act decisively in complex, high-stakes environments. I see direct parallels between responding to real-world incidents and mitigating cyber breaches. During my time in school I was then able to leverage these skills and combine them in course work where I learned how to use tools and frameworks like FTK, E3, Windows, Linux file systems and NIST in forensic analysis scenarios.

In addition to my technical and field experience, I've served as Chief Information Officer of my university's Student Government Association, where I led technology initiatives and managed communications for large-scale digital projects. This role reinforced my ability to translate complex information into actionable insights for diverse audiences, a skill essential in communicating forensic findings and audit results to clients.

I am particularly interested in joining the New York office, where I can contribute to investigations from evolving threats while continuing to grow in both forensic analysis and development. I'm eager to apply my technical experience and learn from future cybersecurity challenges.