

# Julissa Diane Molina

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## EDUCATION

<b>Bachelor of Science in Computer Security Technology</b> Farmingdale State College, Farmingdale, NY	<b>December 2025</b>
<b>Data Analytics Apprentice</b> COOP Careers Program	<b>December 2024</b>
<b>Bachelor of Arts in Psychology</b> Hunter College, New York, NY	<b>May 2023</b>
<b>Associates of Liberal Arts &amp; Science in Humanities &amp; Social Science</b> Nassau Community College, New York, NY	<b>May 2021</b>

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### Assistant Researcher

<b>Pedagogy Research on Cybersecurity Students</b> Farmingdale State College	<b>Sept 2024–Present</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Conducted study with Dr. Emre Tokgoz on how social and environmental factors affect cybersecurity students' learning.</li><li>• Analyzed surveys/interviews, identified patterns in</li><li>• Published 6 articles and presented findings at IEEE's 15th Integrated STEM Conference and 2025 ASEE Annual Conference.</li></ul>	

### Student Researcher

<b>QCOSE/QueSST (NASA X-59 Sonic Boom Project)</b> Farmingdale State College	<b>June 2024–Present</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Advised by Dr. Kimberly Riegel on ray-tracing simulations and sound wave propagation models</li><li>• Created Raspberry Pi-based device to capture 'sonic thumps'</li><li>• Publication Currently Under review</li></ul>	

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### Computer Laboratory Assistant

Farmingdale State College	<b>Jan 2025–Present</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Troubleshoot software/hardware and assist students using engineering lab equipment.</li><li>• Maintain a collaborative and functional lab environment.</li></ul>	

### Manager

J.Crew July 2019–Present

- Achieved top district rank with 32 credit card applications in one month.
- Managed operations including cash handling, security enforcement, and inventory tracking.

### **Youth Development Specialist**

Family Service League

**August 2021–August 2022**

- Co-developed a 6-month curriculum covering college prep, drug prevention, and mental health.
- Mentored over 60 girls through the GEL Summit with a 100% completion rate
- Helped launch the Hempstead Prevention Coalition, uniting 50+ social service organizations and companies for monthly collaboration with Thurston O'Neal

### **Youth Advocate**

Family and Children's Association

**January 2019–August 2021**

- Conducted focus groups with over 60 youth across Long Island to gather first-hand accounts of their experiences with the juvenile justice system
- Analyzed and visualized findings in Excel, presenting results to New York State officials in Albany
- Represented the organization at the Juvenile Justice Coalition in Washington, D.C., engaging with national advocacy leaders

## **PUBLICATIONS**

1. *Factors Impacting Cybersecurity Students' Classroom Success with Their Worries Towards Success*, Emre Tokgoz, Sergio Duarte, Alyssa Xiang, Julissa Molina, Tanvir Ahmed, Joel Joseph, 15th IEEE Integrated STEM Education Conference, Princeton University, 2025.
2. *Risk Assessment Factors, Anxiety, and Cyber-incident Experiences of Cybersecurity Students: A Case Study*, Emre Tokgoz, Joel Joseph, Tanvir Ahmed, Julissa Molina, Sergio Duarte, Alyssa Xiang, 15th IEEE Integrated STEM Education Conference, Princeton University, 2025.
3. *Professors' Impact on Cybersecurity Students' Learning*, Emre Tokgoz, Julissa Molina, Joel Joseph, Sergio Duarte, Alyssa Xiang, Tanvir Ahmed, 15th IEEE Integrated STEM Education Conference, Princeton University, 2025.
4. *Environmental Factors Impacting Cybersecurity Students' Major-specific Conceptual Learning*, Emre Tokgoz, Tanvir Ahmed, Sergio Duarte, Joel Joseph, Alyssa Xiang, and Julissa Diane Molina, ASEE Annual Conference, Montreal, Canada, 2025.
5. *Cybersecurity Students' Choices of Learning Strategies for Covering Major-specific Concepts*, Emre Tokgoz, Joel Joseph, Julissa Diane Molina, Tanvir Ahmed, Alyssa Xiang, and Sergio Duarte, ASEE Annual Conference, Montreal, Canada, 2025.
6. *Social Factors Impacting Cybersecurity Students' Learning and During Decision Making the Coverage of Major-specific Concepts*, Emre Tokgoz, Alyssa Xiang, Julissa Diane Molina, Sergio Duarte, Tanvir Ahmed, and Joel Joseph, ASEE Annual Conference, Montreal, Canada, 2025.