KENDRICK BYNUM

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Education

Seattle Pacific University

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B.S. in Computer Science

GPA: 3.11

Technical Skills

Certifications: Google Cybersecurity Certificate, Security+ (In Progress)

Languages/Tools: C++, JavaScript, HTML/CSS, Python, SQL

Tools: Microsoft Sentinel, PowerShell, Wireshark, Kali Linux, VS Code, CyberChef, BurpSuite, Splunk, Hydra,

Metasploit, Nmap

Projects

WhatColor - Colorblind Assistance App

Sep 2024 – Present

- -Implemented AI-powered color matching to suggest complementary color combinations and wardrobe item recommendations (e.g., jacket, shoes, hat).
- -Integrated a camera/photo analyzer that detects the dominant clothing color in an image using TensorFlow.js and custom color clustering logic.
- -Built a secure user authentication system with password hashing (bcrypt), email OTP-based 2FA using Node.js and Nodemailer.

Cloud-based SIEM Homelab

Jun 2025

- -Built a SIEM solution using Microsoft Sentinel to monitor and alert logins to a virtual machine.
- -Designed and implemented Kusto Query Language (KQL) queries to track authentication events and detect anomalies.
- -Analyzed logs to identify suspicious activity, enhancing security posture through proactive threat monitoring.

Network Hardening Monitoring

May 2025

- -Configured iptables and ufw to limit inbound traffic to necessary ports (22, 80, 443) and deny all other protocols
- -Hardened SSH by disabling password authentication, restricting root login, changing the default port, and enforcing key-based access
- -Deployed and configured audits to log security-critical events such as file modifications, permission changes, and sudo command usage

Internal Linux Escalation

May 202!

- -Conducted privilege escalation from user to root on a Linux machine by enumerating misconfigurations and exploiting weak file permissions.
- -Used enumeration tools like lineas.sh and manual techniques to uncover SUID binaries and PATH hijacking vectors.
- -Maintained session persistence using Meterpreter and demonstrated exfiltration of sensitive documents from admin directories.

Experience

Avela

Sep 2024 - Present

- -Taught around 30 K-12 students coding techniques using Python 5 days a week.
- -Educated in computer literacy, fostering an understanding of computer concepts through engaging and immersive lessons.

Climate Pledge Arena - Event Security

Oct 2022 - Present

- -Works with a team of 200 to secure events such as concerts and sport games to implement necessary protocols.
- -Manage crowds, guide patrons to their seats, assist, and ensure a safe and orderly environment.
- -Effectively communicated with fellow security personnel, venue staff, and management to address security concerns.

Leadership & Community Engagement

President - Black Student Union

Sep 2024 - Present

- -Led a team of 6 executive board members to coordinate events, workshops, and initiatives to empower Black students and foster diversity on campus.
- -Collaborated with campus administration to advocate for policies supporting diversity, equity, and inclusion.

Outreach Coordinator - NSBE

Sep 2024 - Present

- -Developed partnerships with local organizations, professionals, and companies to create networking and sponsorship opportunities.
- -Organized outreach programs that promote STEM education to K–12 students, increasing engagement and interest in engineering careers.