

# KRIPESH ACHARYA

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**OBJECTIVE:** Motivated cybersecurity professional with a passion for identifying emerging threats and implementing effective security solutions. Eager to leverage my technical expertise, problem-solving skills, and hands-on experience to safeguard organizations against evolving cyber risks and deliver impactful results.

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

**Programming Languages:** C, C++, Python, PowerShell, SQL, HTML

**Tools & Technologies:** Linux, Nessus, Microsoft Tools, Wireshark, Metasploit, Nmap, OpenVas, Firewall, Snort, Splunk SIEM, GitHub, IAM, IDS/IPS, Zero Trust Architecture, Network Protocols, VPN, EDR

**Security Concepts:** Threat Analysis, Vulnerability Management, Cryptography, Forensic Analysis, Log Analysis, Network Monitoring, Intrusion Detection/Prevention, OSINT Framework, Cybersecurity Policy and Framework, Risk Management

**Soft Skills:** Leadership, Project Management, Communication, Problem Solving, Teamwork, Attention to Detail

## CERTIFICATIONS

- ISC2 Certified in Cybersecurity
- CISCO Ethical Hacker
- CISCO Junior Cybersecurity Analyst
- SBT Security Blue Team Junior Analyst Training
- NIST Risk Management Framework
- CNSS Certified Network Security Specialist

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**Vianet Communications**, Lalitpur, Nepal March 2020 - September 2022  
*Security Analyst*

- Monitored network traffic and security alerts, reducing security incidents by 25% through real-time detection and mitigation.
- Configured and managed security devices (firewalls, IDS/IPS, VPNs), improving network uptime by 15%.
- Led security awareness training for over 60 employees, resulting in a 40% decrease in phishing incidents.

**Visva Technikos**, Kathmandu, Nepal January 2019 - November 2019  
*System Administrator*

- Configured Windows Server 2012 R2 and Red Hat Linux, improving server performance and reducing downtime by 20%.
- Diagnosed and resolved over 100 system/network issues, ensuring 99.9% system uptime.

## EDUCATION

**Mercy University**, Dobbs Ferry, NY August 2023 - December 2024  
*Master of Science in Cybersecurity*

- GPA:** 3.9
- Specialization:** C/C++, Python, Networking & Data Communication, Database Security, Info Assurance & Management, Firewall & Intrusion Detection, Applied Cryptography, Wireless Network Security

**Leeds Beckett University**, UK January 2021 - April 2022  
*Bachelor of Science in Computing*

- GRADE:** First Class Honors
- Specialization:** Intelligent Systems, Digital Security, Advanced Database System, Advanced Web Engineering

**International School of Management and Technology**, Kathmandu, Nepal January 2018 - March 2020  
*Associate of Science in Networking Engineering*

- Specialization:** Java, Networking, Cloud Computing, Network Security, SDLC, Project Management, Web Development, Client/Server Computing, Network Management, Network Design

## PROJECTS [GitHub Link](#)

- Investigating Compounding Threat Trends on National Critical Infrastructure** | Sandia National Laboratories  
Analyzed sector-specific threats and developed a Threat Assessment Framework, improving threat detection accuracy by 30%.
- Home Lab Setup & SIEM Implementation using Splunk**  
Built a home lab integrating Splunk for log analysis, improving real-time threat detection and response capabilities
- Firewall Configuration and Rule Implementation**  
Deployed and managed PfSense and Palo Alto firewalls to strengthen network security and prevent unauthorized access.
- Configuring Snort and Creating Detection Rules for Network Traffic and Attack Patterns**  
Configured Snort IDS to detect network threats using custom detection rules in a simulated environment
- Red Team Assessment and Reporting**  
Conducted penetration testing and identified 15 critical vulnerabilities, reducing overall risk exposure by 45% after remediation.
- Cybersecurity Awareness Training Delivery**  
Designed and delivered workshops for over 50 students, increasing awareness of social engineering attacks by 60%.