

Melissa Tanksley

Cyber Security Analyst

About Me

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Highly motivated individual who loves challenges and solving problems. Keen analytical/critical thinking skills since I became an ER nurse with my BSN in 2001. Excellent leadership skills since 2002 when I was chosen to train staff at Tri-City Medical Center in Service Excellence. I was also a director and educator for the American Heart Association, so teaching and communication come naturally for me. How did I get into computers? My oldest son wanted to take a Minecraft Mod Design program as his elective when I homeschooled him. At the start of COVID, I was stuck in bed for several months with a severely broken leg and ankle. It was at that moment I decided to take UX Design and Full Stack Web Dev courses at Lambda School. I enjoyed that, but knew I wanted to do something so much more and that would help a much larger number of people. Hence, cyber security! My ultimate goal is to be a SOC Analyst, while also being a Purple Teamer. Along the way, I will create up-to-date code to prevent security breaches.

Skills

Scripting, controls and frameworks, intrusion detection, network security control, operating systems, incident response, Cloud, Dev Ops, threat knowledge, regulatory guidelines, communication, collaboration, risk management, adaptability, attention to detail, critical thinking, Python, JS, html/CSS, Node, SQL Injection Scanner, Ghidra

See portfolio.

Experience

BeeDev, aka Code Zero

Beedev-Helper / Cyber Security Lead, Contributor

November 2023 - PRESENT, REMOTE

Leads a team of Cyber Security students who are improving on an active site. I also assist in Gitflow. I have contributed an SQL Injection scanner written in JS.

UX Vortex/ Owner, UX and Web Dev

January 2021 - PRESENT, REMOTE

Freelance web development using UX Design methods.

Education

2023 - Masterschool/Cyber Security Analyst

Core content completed. Studying for the CompTIA Sec+ Exam.

2022 - Lambda School/Full Stack Web Development

2001 - BIOLA University/Bachelor of Science: Nursing

