## MCS 210 - Writing Assignment 6

- This is a reading comprehension writing assignment that will evolve as we read and discuss the book titled "The Cult of the Dead Cow" by Joseph Menn. I strongly suggest you answer questions as soon as you complete the chapters indicated for each question, rather than waiting to finish the book.
- 2. Answer the questions in the next page after reading the corresponding book chapters. Your answers must be written in your own words; do not copy from the book. Answers should be clear and organized, not overly verbose but not too simplistic either.
- 3. Create an Overleaf project named MCS210\_WA6
- 4. When you have finished writing your revised responses, download your project from Overleaf as a .zip file and submit via Moodle.

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Questions for Introduction and Chapters 1, 2, 3:

- 1. What is hacktivism?
- 2. Explain how early internet bulletin boards worked. Why were they mostly local?
- 3. Describe the relationships between hackers and companies, security companies, and the government.

## Questions for Chapters 7, 8:

- 4. What were the "Hong Kong Blondes"?
- 5. What involvement did hackers have with human rights work?
- 6. What roles did hackers increasingly take post 9/11?
- 7. What are Zero Days?

## Questions for Chapters 9, 10, 11:

- 8. What is Tor?
- 9. What were some accomplishments of Citizen Lab?
- 10. What is Wikileaks?
- 11. What is Anonymous?

## Questions for Chapters 12, 13 and the Epilogue:

- 12. What were some of Mudge's accomplishments at DARPA?
- 13. What did Veracode do?
- 14. How has hacking influenced politics in recent years?