

Lab 2 – Phisecure Requirements & Specifications

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1. Introduction

1.1 Purpose

The purpose of this SRS document is to explain how Phisecure works to developers. This document outlines the intended functionality, constraints, and requirements needed to implement Phisecure effectively. This document ensures that the development team with the project's objectives, allowing a deeper understanding of Phisecure's overall goals and components.

1.2 Scope

Phisecure provides a dynamic educational tool to train students in identifying and responding to phishing attacks. Through customized phishing simulations and hands-on scenarios, students experience phishing attacks in a controlled environment. The system will automatically launch the attacks and develop a performance report based on the student's interactions. Reports will also be generated and sent to the instructors, allowing them to oversee the student engagement and success in the simulations. Phisecure is designed to improve phishing attack awareness by focusing on practical, scenario-based learning.

1.3 Definitions, Acronyms, and Abbreviations

Phishing - The fraudulent practice of sending emails or other messages purporting to be from reputable companies to induce individuals to reveal personal information, such as passwords and credit card numbers.

Spear Phishing - A type of phishing involving personalization and targeting a specific individual.

Malware - Software that compromises the operation of a system by performing an unauthorized function or process.

Ransomware - A malware designed to deny a user or organization access to files on their computer.

Attack - An attempt to gain unauthorized access to system services, resources, or information, or an attempt to compromise system integrity.

Phishing Campaign – a simulated series of phishing emails sent to students to test their ability to recognize and respond to such threats in a controlled environment.

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1.5 Overview

The next sections of this SRS document take a closer look at how Phisecure is designed and what it can do. Section 2 gives an overview of the product, covering its features, who will use it, and any limitations it has. From Section 3 onward, functional and nonfunctional requirements will be discussed.

2. Overall Description

2.1 Product Perspective

Phisecure is an educational platform that uses realistic simulations to teach university students about phishing techniques. It generates and sends phishing messages to help students build detection skills in a controlled environment. The system also tracks how students interact with these messages, giving instructors data to customize training based on each student's and the class's overall performance.

2.2 Product Functions

Key features of Phisecure:

- **Student Questionnaire:** A questionnaire the student will fill out on creation of their account. It will record responses to attach tags to the student that will allow the system to identify effective phishing templates to use.
- **Phishing Simulation Creation:** Automated generation of phishing attacks tailored to the student. Filling in templates that match the tags attached to the student and then sending the attack.
- **Performance Tracking:** Monitors the students interactions with the simulated attack, this includes opening, replying, and clicking a link attached to the message.
- **Performance reports:** Generates reports to send to the student, providing feedback based on the results of their interactions. An overall report is generated for the instructor, showing the performance of their students.
- **Peer Phishing Module:** Students can select another student to generate a simulated attack. They will create their own template for the software to

use in a simulated attack against the selected student. The results will be recorded and reported to both students.

2.3 User Characteristics

Phisecure has three primary user roles:

- Student: Engages with the simulated phishing emails to learn detection strategies.
- Instructor: Monitors the students performance and reviews the reports for class assessments.
- Admin: Oversees the system operations, can manage user accounts, and maintains system integrity.

2.4 Constraints

This software does not protect the student from actual phishing attacks or other cybersecurity threats.

2.5 Assumptions and Dependencies

N/A