Andrew Bak

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EDUCATION

Virginia Tech

Blacksburg, VA

Bachelor of Science

Expected December 2026

Major in Cybersecurity Management & Analytics

Cumulative GPA: 3.78/4.0

Relevant Coursework: Python, Operating Systems, Shell Scripting, Algorithms, Artificial Intelligence, Data Analysis

WORK EXPERIENCE

Qui Korean BBQ & BAR (Fast-paced, teamwork-driven, high-quality dining environment)

Chantilly, VA

Server

October 2022 - March 2023

- Delivered exceptional service in a high-volume restaurant, ensuring a favorable dining experience for 100+ guests daily
- Trained 2 new team members on company protocols, enhancing team productivity and service consistency
- Managed point of sale (POS) transactions fluidly while accurately processing payments

UNIVERSITY PROJECTS

USER AUTHENTICATION MONITOR - CYBERSECURITY

Blacksburg, VA

Developed a Python-based tool to analyze login attempts, improving cybersecurity oversight
 Processed data to determine success rates, highlight frequent IP addresses, and identify failed attempts; streamlined detection of potential threats

LINGUISTIC READABILITY ENGINE

Blacksburg, VA

• Engineered a file of English text and computed readability scores and word frequency statistics

October 2024

Designed an interactive feature allowing users to check specific word appearances in the text

CYBERSECURITY LABS (CompTIA Learn)

Programming in Python

January 2025 - Present

- Web App Security: Detected and exploited SQL injection attacks
- Network Defense: Configured firewall rules and IPSec tunnels
- System Hardening: Applied Group Policy and permission controls to secure Windows systems
- Threat Detection & Response: Performed root cause analysis and vulnerability scans to identify system risks

CAMPUS & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

CyberVT | Member

Blacksburg, VA

- Participated in bi-weekly workshops and advanced technical presentations, covering topics such as
 March 2024 Present reverse engineering, binary exploitation, web application penetration testing, cryptography, and malware analysis
- Collaborated with peers and industry professionals in competing in cybersecurity events, including the annual SummitCTF competition and smaller interactive workshops

Volunteer Tech Support

Centreville, VA

- Set up secure home networks for 2+ households (router configuration & device hardening)
- 2022 Present
- Built 5+ custom PCs tailored to gaming, productivity, and general use, ensuring optimal part compatibility
- Installed and reinstalled OSs (Windows/Linux), configured BIOS settings, optimized system partitions, removed malware infections, secured user accounts with strong authentication policies, and set up automated local backup solutions

ADDITIONAL

Technical Skills: Python, MATLAB, Wireshark, Bash, Windows, Linux, Shell Scripting, Git, VS Code

Concepts: TCP/IP, Firewalls, System Hardening, File permissions

Languages: English (Fluent), Korean (Conversational)

Professional Development: CompTIA Security+ (in progress), AWS Certified Cloud Practitioner (in progress)