

Job Scam Detection Analysis Report

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Executive Summary

Metric	Value
Total Complaints Analyzed	6
High Risk Complaints	6 (100.0%)
Average Risk Score	95.5%
Median Risk Score	95.0%
High Risk Threshold	≥70%

Top Red Flags by Category

Communication

Red Flag	Occurrences
Communication from an entity claiming to be a legitimate employer (XXXX) but later revealed to be impersonated.	1
Pressure tactics to deposit check and transfer funds immediately.	1
Unsolicited contact via email (initially appeared in college email, though the victim replied)	1
Communication from personal email (implied by the nature of the follow-up messages and lack of formal company domain)	1
Pressure tactics ('couldn't wait since it would delay their schedule time')	1

Financial

Red Flag	Occurrences
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Victim was convinced to send money under false pretenses.	1
Requests for payment for materials for an internship (likely fake training or equipment).	1
Victim was asked to send money back in 'waves', indicating a structured attempt to extract funds before the fraud was fully realized.	1
The initial check was discovered to be fake and reversed.	1
The scammer requested money back digitally shortly after the fake check was cashed, before it bounced.	1

Job Posting

Red Flag	Occurrences
Vague job description or responsibilities ('completing sets and reviewing albums and singles').	1
The job was presented as legitimate remote work, which can be a common lure for scams.	1
The initial job offer seemed legitimate, but the subsequent actions revealed the scam.	1
Extremely high pay for minimal experience/effort (implied by the internship offer and the ease with which tasks were supposedly completed)	1
Vague job description or responsibilities (no clear tasks mentioned beyond obtaining materials)	1

Hiring Process

Red Flag	Occurrences
The job offer and tasks were performed without the victim realizing it was a scam until after completion.	1
The communication with alleged representatives of XXXX was part of the fraudulent process.	1
The scammer provided documentation that mimicked a real company, creating a false sense of legitimacy.	1
The scammer was pushy for immediate action (depositing check, transferring funds).	1

Job offer without interview or after brief text exchange (no formal interview, only email and text communication)	1
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Work Activity

Red Flag	Occurrences
Instructed to move money between accounts (implied by 'funds were transferred through transactions that I now understand were part of the scam').	1
The nature of the tasks ('completing sets and reviewing albums and singles') could be a cover for money laundering or other illicit financial activities, making it a money mule-like scenario.	1
Instructed to transfer money to a fake vendor.	1
The nature of the 'work environment' justified the immediate deposit and transfer, a common tactic in money mule scams.	1
Asked to receive and reship packages to unknown addresses (implied by the request to deposit checks and buy materials, which could be for reshipment)	1

Top Vulnerability Factors

Vulnerability Factor	Occurrences
Seeking remote/work-from-home opportunities	2
Seeking remote/work-from-home opportunities.	1
Financial hardship (implied by 'significant financial hardship').	1
Employment desperation (implied by seeking work in 'this economy')	1
Trust in official-looking documentation	1
Employment desperation (recently unemployed, financial hardship) - seeking to pay off student bills	1
Seeking remote/work-from-home opportunities (implied by the initial email and the nature of the scam)	1

Limited job search experience (implied by a college student relying on a college email for internship offers and not immediately recognizing red flags)	1
Employment desperation (recently unemployed, financial hardship)	1
Limited job search experience	1

Scam Type Distribution

Scam Type	Count
Fake Check / Money Mule Scam	2
Advance Fee Scam / Fake Employment	1
Fake Check Scam	1
Fake Check / Advance Fee Scam	1
Fake Check / Payment Scam	1