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OBJECTIVE

Student in Cybersecurity Engineering graduating in 2026, seeking a full-time position to apply skills in network security, penetration testing, and SecOps.

EDUCATION

Iowa State University

Ames, Iowa

Bachelor of Science in Cybersecurity Engineering Dean's List [Fall 2022, Fall 2023, Spring 2024]

Expected May 2026

GPA: 3.59/4.0

University of Limerick, Ireland

Study Abroad Program in Cybersecurity and Computer Engineering

Jan. 2025 - May 2025

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Languages: Python, Java, vhdl

Tools: Linux, Visual Studio Code, Microsoft Teams, Microsoft Outlook, Cortex XSIAM, Palo Alto Panorama, Proofpoint

WORK EXPERIENCE

Cybersecurity Intern | HNI Corporation | Muscatine, Iowa

May 2025 - August 2025

- Worked with platforms such as Proofpoint, Panorama, and Cortex XSIAM.
- Monitored Proofpoint TRAP for potential Malware or Phishing emails.
- Monitored Proofpoint Data Loss Prevention inbox to ensure no PCI or SSN numbers were emailed.
- Decommissioned and erased old Cisco ASA 5512-X firewalls.

PROJECTS

Trusted IP Puller

- Developed python code that was able to retrieve IP addresses from trusted URLs.
- Developed a feed integration within Cortex XSIAM that was able to host IP addresses on a URL.
- Created an automation tool that was able to compare the old list of IP's against the new and update the list.
- Configured Panorama to point to this list of trusted IP addresses and push them out to all firewalls.

Penetration Testing Simulation

- Simulation with the purpose of creating vulnerabilities for the student to find, exploit, and remediate.
- Given devices on a "Hospital network". Clinician Desktop, Ambulance Laptop, Database, Web Server, and Reception Desktop
- Was able to successfully find and exploit all vulnerabilities on these devices and provide possible remediations to prevent future attacks.

RELATED COURSEWORK

Attacking Fundamentals (CYB E 231)

- Used tools like metasploit to find vulnerabilities in old machines.
- Learned multiple exploits that could be used when a vulnerability is found.
- Worked on labs that strengthened my understanding.

ACTIVITIES/AFFILIATIONS

Cyber Defense Competition

Sep. 2025 - Oct. 2025

- Secured various virtual machines against a team of hackers.
- Created intrusion reports and mitigation methods.
- Configured a pfSense firewall to help secure our flags.

Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity - Scholarship Chair

Jan. 2024 - Dec. 2024

- Coordinated a resume workshop for fellow members to come and seek resume advice.
- Organized a grade check sheet to ensure that members were able to meet the minimum GPA requirement.