62 % Thank you for your participation in the second discussion forum of (Merit) your Launching into Cyber Security Module

In this discussion forum you were invited to identify and discuss two security technologies and the context in which they can be employed. Your discussion could consider either network or/and software security issues. For example, if a network issue, what type of firewall would be ideal for the solution? What are the strengths and weaknesses of the solution?

Knowledge and understanding of the topic issues under consideration

You demonstrate great understanding of network security by providing 2 technologies that can be employed to address network security issues in your initial post. Your follow-on posts and contributions to other issues were excellent. You enriched the discussion with good contributions, particularly on different types of Firewalls and their mode of operation, Intrusion Detection and Intrusion Detection Systems.

Collaboration / independent working

You build on points made by others by providing further data to support, which is excellent. It was good to see you taking the feedback provided in discussion forum 1 on board through the quality of your contributions. However, your level of engagement could have been better. In total you made 6 posts including initial post. These have been spread across the discussion over the three weeks period.

Criticality

You demonstrate similar critical analysis and evaluation in your contributions to other discussions. An example is your contribution to Security Information and Event Management (SIEM) system.

Structure and presentation

The structure of your presentation in your posts is good. All points were coherently made to advance the argument or discussion. The summary post is well presented collating all the issues discussed to present a well-balanced and coherent view of the topic under discussion. There a few instances where you missed to define terms for the first time before using them- an example is "TLS".

Use of relevant resources / Academic Integrity

You cite good sources to support your point, demonstrating critical analysis and depth.

Overall, very good work done. You demonstrated great appreciation of network security and the technologies that can be deployed as part of a cyber security strategy. To improve your grades further, do take note of the developmental areas highlighted above.