Permit Me to Assist You

Objective

Explain the purpose and operation of ACLs.

Scenario

- Each individual in the class will record five questions they would ask a candidate who is applying for a security clearance for a network assistant position within a small- to medium-sized business. The list of questions should be listed in order of importance to selecting a good candidate for the job. The preferred answers will also be recorded.

- After three minutes of brainstorming the list of questions, the instructor will ask two students to serve as interviewers. These two students will use only their list of questions and answers for the next part of this activity. The instructor will explain to only the two interviewers that they have the discretion, at any time, to stop the process and state "you are all permitted to the next level of interviews" or "I am sorry, but you do not have the qualifications to continue to the next level of interviews." The interviewer does not need to complete all of the questions on the list.

- The rest of the class will be split in half and assigned to one of the interviewers.

- Once everyone is settled into their group with an interviewer, the group application interviews will begin.

- The two selected interviewers will ask the first question on the list that they created; an example would be "are you over the age of 18?" If the applicant does not meet the age requirement, as specified by the interviewer's original questions and answers, the applicant will be eliminated from the pool of applicants and must move to another area within the room where they will observe the rest of the application process.

The next question will then be asked by the interviewer. If applicants answer correctly, they may stay with the applicant group. The entire class will then get together and discuss their observations regarding the process to permit or deny them the opportunity to continue on to the next level of interviews.

Reflection

1. What factors did you consider when devising your list of criteria for network assistant security clearance?

2. How difficult was it to devise five security questions to deliver during the interviews? Why were you asked to list your questions in order of importance to selecting a good candidate?

3. Why would the process of elimination be stopped, even if there were still a few applicants available?

4. How could this scenario and the results be applied to network traffic?