## **Professional statement outline**

To develop a professional statement that briefly explains who you are and what you are passionate about, follow the steps outlined.

**Note:** You will need a piece of paper or a blank word processing document to complete this activity **Step one** 

List two to three strengths that you currently have or are committed to developing (e.g., strong written and verbal communication, time management, programming, etc.).

- Problem Solving Capabilities
- Technical Foundation in Cybersecurity
- Creating a strong knowledge for a certain area in the field of Cybersecurity

## Step two

List one to two values you have (e.g., protecting organizations, protecting people, adhering to laws, ensuring equitable access, etc.).

- Protecting organizations
- Creating a safe environment for employees to have adequate access to assets and data

## Step three

Ask yourself some clarifying questions to determine what to include in your professional statement:

- What most interests me about the field of cybersecurity?
  - The ability to keep data and information safe using certain tools
  - Adapting to the ever growing world of cybersecurity peaks my interest
  - Learning programming tools such as SQL and Linux
- Who is the audience for my professional statement?
  - o Potential employers and any newcomers interested in this field
- In what ways can my strengths, values, and interest in cybersecurity support the security goals of various organizations?
  - I feel like my drive to learn the foundations of cybersecurity, and previous technical knowledge in Computer Science will help with potential mitigation of risk in my future internship/job

My name is Mateo. I am a Junior at Fresno State University, and I am getting introduced into this field via the Google Cybersecurity Certificate. I believe that this Certificate will open the doors into many other potential Certifications that are on my bucket list. I feel like this is the starting point for my career, and using this knowledge will benefit me every day in my future career. I am committed to completing this certificate and reinforcing my knowledge of ethical practices and tools used to minimize threats. This is my dream and I cannot wait to continually learn more about this growing profession.