How to earn $100K in your first year!

Web Fundamentals

Study key web components (HTTP, browsers and web architecture), server-side basics, and client-side essentials.

Full-time study.
Earnings: $0

Foundational bugs

Learn basic vulns including AC bugs, IDORs and paywall bypass while hacking part-time.

80% learning, 20% hacking
Earnings: $2,250/month

Intermediate Vulns

Focus on XSS, CSRF, SSRF with a target of 7 bugs per month with increasing skill and speed.

60% learning, 40% hacking
Earnings: $5,250/month

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Hacking, Code Review + Speciality

Focus on impactful bugs and advanced topics like postMessage, code review, and niche vulns. Expect to find 12+ bugs/month.

20% learning, 80% hacking
Earnings: $9,000/month

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Hardcore Hacking

Transition to full-time hacking, targeting 15-20 bugs/month at $1k each.

100% hacking
Earnings: $20,000/month

What would you
add to the list?