

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.).

- Strong analytical and problem-solving skills
- Technical knowledge in information systems, data management, and networking
- Curiosity and continuous learning mindset

Step two

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

- Protecting people and organizations from digital threats
- Upholding data privacy and ethical use of technology

Step three

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

1. What most interests me about the field of cybersecurity?

I'm fascinated by how cybersecurity combines technology, analysis, and problem-solving to protect data and systems from attacks.

2. Who is the audience for my professional statement?

Cybersecurity recruiters, IT security departments, and organizations looking for entry-level analysts with a background in information systems.

3. How can my strengths, values, and interests support an organization's security goals?

My strong foundation in information systems and continuous learning attitude help me identify vulnerabilities, improve data protection, and contribute to building secure digital environments.

Draft Professional Statement (Using the Above Info)

I'm Swastika, an Information Systems major with a strong foundation in data management, networking, and information security. I'm passionate about protecting people and organizations from digital threats and ensuring the ethical use of technology. I'm currently pursuing the Google Cybersecurity Certificate to strengthen my skills in safeguarding systems and data. My goal is to begin an entry-level cybersecurity career where I can apply my analytical thinking, curiosity, and technical knowledge to help organizations stay secure in an ever-evolving digital world.

Note: This is just a draft. You should continue to revise and refine your professional statement, throughout the program, until you feel that it's ready to share with potential employers.