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EDUCATION

Ho Chi Minh City University of Technology (HUTECH)

Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

Bachelor of Computer Science, Specialization in Information Security

Sep. 2022 – May 2026

- GPA: 3.52/4.0 (Most Recent Semester: 3.83/4.0)
- Relevant Coursework: Malware Analysis, Machine Learning, Network Security, Cryptography, Database Systems

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Student Research Program

Oct. 2025 – Present

HUTECH | Advisor: Ms. Dinh Huynh Tue Tue

Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

- Investigating Function Call Graph (FCG) and Better Call Graph (BCG) analysis for detecting advanced Android malware evasion techniques
- Designing Graph Neural Network architecture to identify malicious execution patterns resistant to obfuscation
- Selected as **Top 10 of 60+** research proposals for direct advancement without preliminary review
- **Tech Stack:** Python, NetworkX, PyTorch Geometric, Androguard

Senior Capstone Project

Sep. 2025 – Present

HUTECH | Obfuscated Android Malware Detection

Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

- Processing CICMalDroid 2020 benchmark dataset (**70GB+**, **13,205 malware + benign samples**) for obfuscation-resistant detection
- Built automated APK analysis pipeline achieving **94.3% successful extraction rate** using Androguard
- Implementing obfuscation techniques (ProGuard) to create adversarial test set for model robustness evaluation
- Approved as **1 of 22** senior projects without revision requirement
- **Tech Stack:** Python, BERT, Androguard, ProGuard, Flask/FastAPI, YARA

Foundation Course Project

Apr. 2025 – Jun. 2025

HUTECH | Android Malware Detection using BERT

Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

- Developed BERT-based classification model achieving **94% accuracy** on MH-100K dataset (100,000 samples)
- Outperformed baseline CNN (74%) and LSTM (69%) models by **+20%** through contextual permission and API call analysis
- Resolved severe class imbalance: improved malware recall from **5% → 89%** using SMOTE and weighted loss functions
- **Ranked #1 in class** with score of 9.0/10
- **Tech Stack:** Python, TensorFlow, BERT, Scikit-learn, Pandas, NumPy

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python (Advanced), Java, SQL, JavaScript

ML/AI Frameworks: TensorFlow, PyTorch, BERT, Transformers, Scikit-learn, Pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib

Security Tools: Androguard, YARA, ProGuard, Wireshark, Nmap

Web/APIs: Flask, FastAPI, REST API

DevOps & Tools: Git, Linux/Ubuntu, Docker, Jupyter, VS Code

Databases: MySQL, MongoDB

CERTIFICATIONS

AWS Academy Cloud Security Foundations (In Progress)

2025

- Invitation-only program by Amazon Web Services

Google Cybersecurity Professional Certificate (In Progress)

Expected: Dec. 2025

Cisco Networking Academy

2024

- Networking Basics | JavaScript Essentials 1 & 2

HONORS & ACHIEVEMENTS

- Top Student Award - Foundation Course (2025):** Ranked #1 in class (9.0/10) for BERT-based malware detection
- Student Research Program - Direct Advancement (2025):** Selected as Top 10 of 60+ proposals without preliminary review
- Consistent Academic Improvement (2025):** Achieved 3.83 GPA in Year 3 (up from 3.52 cumulative)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Languages:** Vietnamese (Native), English (Professional Working Proficiency)
- Technical Blog:** Documenting AI Security research journey and practical cybersecurity insights
- GitHub:** Active portfolio with research projects and open-source contributions
- Interests:** Malware Analysis, Machine Learning Security, Graph Neural Networks, Cloud Security