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EDUCATION

Middlesex University November 2022

MSc in Cyber Security and Penetration Testing

Dubai, U.A.E

Awarded Merit

Middlesex University September 2021

BSc Information Technology

Dubai, U.A.E

Awarded First Class Honors

WORK EXPERIENCE

Defense Intelligence Agency

Sep 2023 - Present

Cyber Security Analyst

FCT-Abuja, Nigeria

- Participated in regular security audits and assessments of systems, networks, and applications using tools like Nessus and custom scripts to identify and address security gaps in the agency's network.
- Participated in security awareness training sessions for employees to promote a culture of cybersecurity awareness in the agency.
- Assisted in the implementation and maintenance of security systems, including pfSense firewalls, Snort intrusion detection systems (IDS), and an in-house endpoint security solution for the agency
- Assisted in the analysis of security logs and data to identify patterns and trends indicative of malicious activity.
- Configured and managed departmental local file storage solutions using TrueNAS and OpenMediaVault (OMV),
 implementing various RAID levels to ensure drive redundancy within the agency infrastructure.
- Configured VPS as a WireGuard VPN server to enable secure access for VPN clients behind CGNAT, facilitating remote access to services hosted within the agency.

Prunedge Development Technologies

Jan 2023 - Nov 2023

Software Development Intern (Remote)

FCT-Abuja, Nigeria

- Assisted in the development and testing of software applications, including debugging, and troubleshooting to ensure optimal performance.
- Collaborated closely with software engineering teams to conceptualize and implement new features and enhancements based on user feedback, resulting in improved usability and functionality.
- Participated in rigorous code reviews and quality assurance processes, ensuring code integrity and adherence to project specifications, leading to the successful delivery of high-quality software solutions.

CERTIFICATIONS, SKILLS & INTERESTS

Certifications: CompTIA Security+ (2024)

Skills: Security audits, hardening, firewall and IDS/IPS management, security log analysis, virtualization, networking, server configurations, linux, adaptability, attention to detail.

Interests: Gaming; Golfing; Swimming; Volleyball.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND PROJECTS

VPS VPN Setup: Configured a VPS as a VPN server to forward traffic to a VPN client behind a CGNAT router, enabling access to self-hosted services on the local network.

Local NAS Setup: Implemented multiple Raspberry Pi-based NAS for local file storage and management.

Home Lab: Designed and implemented a virtualized lab using Proxmox, OPNsense, and VLANs to replicate enterprise-grade network segmentation and security. Deployed and managed automation, monitoring, and media services, including Jellyfin, Tailscale, and the *Arr stack, while integrating advanced firewall configurations to enhance performance and security.