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Junior Cybersecurity Analyst

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Profile

Career changer moving into software development and cybersecurity. Law graduate, currently attending the Technical Programmer Course at IEFP. Proactive, emotionally intelligent and highly motivated to work in team environments.

Long-standing interest in technology, with early contact with Pascal and BASIC. Recent hands-on experience with SIEM (Splunk), Linux hardening, LDAP, Webmin, IDS/IPS (Suricata/Snort) and development in Python, Java and SQL.

Technical Skills

Security / Blue Team

- Splunk: Universal Forwarder, ingestion (auth.log, syslog, UFW, Apache, MySQL)
- Creation of SOC-focused dashboards, alerts and SPL searches
- IDS/IPS: Suricata, Snort — rules tuning and alert analysis
- Linux Hardening: UFW, Fail2ban, user, permission and service management
- Administration via Webmin (monitoring, backups, services management)
- Linux CLI: bash, ssh, tmux, grep/awk/sed

Programming & Databases

- Python (automation, log parsing, security scripts)
- Java (MEI projects, MVC, CRUD with database access)
- C / C# (fundamentals in structured and OOP)
- SQL: MySQL / PostgreSQL (modelling, querying, CRUD)

Languages & Soft Skills

Languages

- Portuguese — native
- English — advanced
- Spanish — advanced

Soft Skills

- Proactivity and autonomy
- Emotional intelligence
- Teamwork
- Effective communication
- Problem solving

Education

Technical Programmer Course — IEFP

Status: Ongoing

Technical training focused on software development, algorithms, databases and good programming practices. Contact with languages such as Java, C, C#, Python and SQL, as well as software engineering fundamentals.

CompTIA Security+ Certification Course - Professor Messer IT Certification Training

Status: In progress

Technological education platform for IT certifications, such as CompTIA A+, Network+, and Security+.

Cisco CCST Certification Course - Cisco Networking Academy

Status: In progress

Technological education platform for CCST Cybersecurity and CCST Networking certifications.

Junior SOC Analyst HTB CDSA Certification Course - HackTheBox Academy

Status: In progress

Technological education platform focused on hands-on learning.

Bachelor's Degree in Law — Estácio de Sá University (Brazil)

Graduated in 2000. Development of skills in critical analysis, logical reasoning, structured argumentation, and the ability to interpret regulations — skills transferable to the IT and cybersecurity areas (risk analysis, compliance, security policies).

Professional Experience

Administrative Assistant — CUF (Call Center) · 2022 – 2024

- Customer support and administrative assistance.
- Problem solving and request handling.
- Use of internal systems and strict adherence to procedures.

Call Center Supervisor — INTELCIA · 2019 – 2022

- Team management, performance follow-up and continuous feedback.
- Training of new agents in a high-demand environment.
- Analysis of performance indicators (KPIs) and support to operational decisions.

Administrative Assistant & Management Support — BeiraZoo Veterinary Hospital · 2017 – 2019

- Administrative and financial support, process and document organization.
- Customer service and support to clinical teams.
- Collaboration in daily management of the hospital.

Personal Projects & Interests

Over the years I have developed several technology and gaming-related projects that helped build my passion for systems, networks and programming:

- Development of 2D games (RPG and side-scroller) in Python.

- SysOp of a large BBS in Rio de Janeiro (90s–2000), managing users, connections and content.
- Administrator of a LAN house with more than 100 computers.
- Dedicated player of Final Fantasy XIV, Ragnarok Online and Street Fighter VI.
- Strong interest in series, films and pop culture (Netflix marathoner).

Splunk   Linux   LDAP   Webmin   Suricata   Snort   Python   Java   SQL