Cyber Security Career Resources



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Career Development Basics

Prepare for Your Next Step

Whether you are new to the cyber security career, or a seasoned cyber security professional preparing to give your career a boost, please consider the following:

Know where you are -- Self Knowledge: interests, skills, values, needs

- What are some important elements that you want to have in your career? What kind of job function that you enjoy performing and are good at? What kind of work environment that helps you thrive? How about industry, schedule, location, salary?
- What are some of your most marketable skills? What are some of your signature strengths and qualities as a professional?

Know where you want to be -- Knowledge of Your Career Field: career options, essential skills, job availability and obtainability

- Where do you want to be when you complete your master's degree?
- What are some of the specific positions, and industries that you are aiming for, and what are the requirements?
- Between where you are today and where you want to be, is there a skills gap?

Know how to connect to your ideal job -- Job Search Knowledge

• Update and refine your resume and cover letter, expand your professional network, familiarize with job search resources for your industry, and learn to manage the job search process overall

As you prepare for the next step of your career, here is a to-do list to consider:

1. Research career options and career resources related to cyber security. Check out the following career guides for information such as: cyber security job market, specific job titles and salary information, skills requirement, etc.

- How to Land the Best Jobs in Cybersecurity
- Finding a Career in Cybersecurity: Tips and Resources

2. Check out the Cybersecurity Employer Panel video and learn from seasoned professionals

<u>Cybersecurity Employer Panel</u>

Positions to Aim For

3. Think about a specific position that you may want to apply to by the time you complete your graduate program. Do a quick search on <u>indeed.com</u> or <u>LinkedIn.com</u> and browse the real job postings. What are the skills, knowledge, and experience required for these jobs?

Networking

4. Reach out to a USD alumni or industry professional to seek career advice and to expand your network:

- USD's <u>Torero Employer & Alumni Mentoring</u>
- LinkedIn alumni tool: search for USD alumni by location, company, field of study, and skills
- <u>Networking and information interview guide</u>



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Virtual or in-person 1:1 career coaching on following topics:

- Resume, cover letter, LinkedIn profile review
- Interview practice
- Networking tips
- Managing and organizing the job search process

Handshake: Our standard job board as well as appointment scheduling platform.

<u>Torero Employer & Alumni Mentoring (TEAM)</u>: Our mentoring platform with an alumni mentor database as well as job board for experienced professionals.

<u>Online Career Resources</u>: Resume and cover letter guide, interview guide, networking guide, etc.

Career Development Center YouTube Channel: Recorded Career Development Workshops and Webinars.

<u>Career Events</u>: Career fairs, presentations, information sessions, and networking events.

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