Job Description

Job Search Criteria:
- **Role type:** Cybersecurity Analyst
- **Tasks:** Protecting data, securing networks, handling privacy concerns
- **Skills:** IT, web development, basic cybersecurity, website security, experience with hacking attacks, client maintenance (backing up data, checking plugins, monitoring IP addresses for improper access and usage, enabling force lockouts, tracking brute force attacks on clients' websites)
- **Experience level:** Entry-level, as an intern at Los Angeles County Internal Services Department (ISD)
- **Location:** California or remote-based
- **Salary Range:** $90,000 - $100,000 per year

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Relevant Experience and Skills:
Experience:
1. **Internship at Los Angeles County Internal Services Department (ISD):** During my internship, I handled design duties for the Mentorship section for Delete The Divide's website. This involved working with web development technologies like JavaScript, HTML/CSS for the frontend, and .NET for the backend. I also served as the lead for the Database team for a Mobile Application project initiated by the Delete The Divide program. This project aimed to assist in distributing laptops to underserved residents in LA County. I was advocating for digital equity and educating users about the ACP program. This experience honed my technical and collaboration skills, both of which are vital for a career in cybersecurity.
2. **Owner and Operator of Grace Coding:** As the owner and operator of a design company specializing in web and graphic design, I have worked with various clients, including musicians and small businesses. This experience allowed me to develop skills in web development, problem-solving, and attention to detail. Additionally, I have provided monthly maintenance services for clients, which enhanced my ability to manage and secure online resources.

Skills:
1. **Web Development:** Proficient in front-end web development with experience in JavaScript and HTML/CSS. This knowledge is crucial for understanding and securing web applications, a fundamental task for a cybersecurity analyst.
2. **Problem-Solving:** Through my work as a design specialist at PMotion and managing my own web design company, I have honed my problem-solving skills. In cybersecurity, the ability to identify and mitigate security issues is paramount.
3. **Attention to Detail:** Managing websites for clients and securing their online assets necessitates a strong attention to detail. Cybersecurity professionals must pay attention to the smallest vulnerabilities in systems to maintain data security.
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My prior experiences and skills have provided a solid foundation for a career as a

cybersecurity analyst, enabling me to bring relevant abilities and perspectives to the role.

Company Description: The DigiTrust Group is a global provider of information security services headquartered in West Los Angeles. Their mission is to revolutionize cybersecurity and defend global organizations against information security threats. They operate in the computer and network security industry, offering advanced threat protection services. While they have fewer than 50 employees, they are making significant strides in the field and are looking to expand their team. This innovative and mission-driven approach to cybersecurity is particularly appealing, as they focus on developing effective solutions to protect organizations from evolving security threats. The company's emphasis on learning and growth aligns with my career aspirations in the cybersecurity field.

Elevator Pitch

Hello, I'm Joseph LaCount. I bring a strong foundation in IT and web development with an eye for cybersecurity. As an aspiring cybersecurity professional, I'm passionate about safeguarding data and networks. My experience in IT support, web design, and a background in web maintenance has honed my skills, fostering attention to detail, problem-solving, and client collaboration. I'm eager to apply my IT and security expertise to help organizations counter evolving threats.

I'm drawn to the Security Analyst position at The DigiTrust Group because it aligns with my passion for cybersecurity and the opportunity to defend organizations against ever-evolving information security threats.

My experience includes hands-on work in IT support, web development, and basic cybersecurity. Through this certificate program, I've gained in-depth knowledge of cybersecurity concepts, network security, and ethical hacking. I've also successfully completed practical projects, such as setting up secure networks and identifying vulnerabilities, which have prepared me to contribute to The DigiTrust Group's mission of protecting organizations against security threats. My coursework and project experience in this program have honed my skills in threat detection, incident response, and network protection, making me well-prepared for the responsibilities of a Security Analyst.