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## Profile Summary

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Self-motivated IT and cybersecurity student with a hands-on, project-driven approach to learning. Skilled in applying theoretical knowledge to real-world scenarios, deepening understanding and fostering a passion for continuous improvement. Committed to staying updated on emerging threats and new technologies in cybersecurity.

## Education

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**Graduate Degree in Cybersecurity (Part-time)**, McGill University, Montreal, QC 2025 (Expected)

Studying information security, cyber-attacks, defense, OS security, network systems, information policies, privacy, and malware.

**Undergraduate Degree in Cybersecurity**, McGill University, Montreal, QC 2024

GPA: 3.64

**Relevant Courses:** Programming Techniques 1, OS Administration, Networking Fundamentals, Access Control, Network Security, Security Architecture, Security Risk Management, Incident Response, Intrusion Testing, Information System Security.

**Diploma in Web Development**, Vanier College, Montreal, QC 2022

Acquired skills in Java, web programming, and databases (Oracle SQL).

## Certifications

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**Certified in Cybersecurity (CC)**, ISC2

Knowledge areas: Firewalls, proxies, SIEM, antivirus, IDPS, encryption, security standards, and regulations.

## Professional Experience

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**TryRating Specialist / Quality Assurance Reviewer**, Telus International (Remote) 2024

- Conducted detailed TryRating evaluations ensuring data accuracy, relevance, and adherence to guidelines.
- Memorized and applied complex guidelines to deliver reliable assessments, maintaining high standards.
- Performed quality checks to identify discrepancies, ensuring data accuracy.

## Skills

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**Languages:** English, French

**Technical Skills:** Python, Java, OWASP Top Ten, cloud security, vulnerability assessment

**Professional Skills:** High attention to detail, data evaluation accuracy, collaborative teamwork

## Additional Experience

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- **Volunteer Work:** Assisted in the Canadian Cyber Security Network, conducting cybersecurity research for Montreal.
- **Professional Development:** Regularly attends industry webinars (InCyber, ISC2, CS2) and reads publications to stay current on cybersecurity trends.
- **CTF Participation:** Ranked in the top 15% of Capture the Flag (CTF) players on TryHackMe.

## References

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