

CSCI 3330 Portfolio Project

Deadline: December 12, 2025, 10:00pm

1 Description

In this deliverable, you will be role-playing as a candidate applying for either a cybersecurity job or admission to a cybersecurity graduate program. To apply, you will draft a cover letter. To establish your bona fides, you will pick your three favorite assignments from this class, and then in your cover letter you will write a paragraph for each assignment that you chose detailing, as appropriate, what you learned in the assignment, what difficulties you encountered, how you overcame those difficulties, and/or why completion of this assignment makes you a qualified applicant. The remainder of the cover letter can be whatever you wish to role-play — you can write it to a real or fictitious entity, and you can even be cheeky in the rest of the letter if you wish, as long as the three paragraphs described above are written in a serious tone. A typical cover letter submission would have five paragraphs total.

Attach to your cover letter the three assignments that you chose. In this deliverable, I will also be grading the attached assignments for correctness, so it is important that you fix any mistakes that you may have made in your assignment originally. To help you with this, consult the feedback that I have originally provided you.

As general advice, I would recommend that you pick the assignments that you enjoyed the most, which may not necessarily be the easiest, as the former will be easier to write about in your cover letter, whereas fixing any mistakes in your assignments will typically be straightforward. (If you are unclear how to act on my provided feedback, feel free to ask questions!)

As the evaluator of your cover letter, like any evaluator of any cover letter, I will not be impressed by any cover letter that reads like it was written by generative AI.

2 Submission

Email your cover letter for this assignment with your three assignments attached in a single *.txt or *.pdf file attachment to my email address in the Syllabus. The submitted file should contain your cover letter followed by your three assignments.