# Chris Higgins

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### Summary

Seven years of experience working in an information technology position, a Master's of Science in Information Systems, and a strong passion for both offensive and defensive information security. Offensive Security Certified Professional with interests in penetration testing, reverse engineering, and malware analysis.

# **Professional Experience**

#### Mandiant, a FireEye Company

Associate Consultant Chicago, IL February 2018 – Present

#### **Uptake**

Security Analyst Chicago, IL January 2017 – February 2018

Blue team security analyst protecting Uptake's data and employees from outsider and insider threats. The team I am a part of utilizes various SIEM components, threat intelligence, vulnerability management, employee training, and intrusion detection/prevention to keep our network and people safe. Also helped develop and test technical recruitment challenge provided by the company.

# **CAS-IT: Training & Advanced Projects**

Lead Application Developer & Server Administrator Illinois State University, Normal, IL July 2013 – January 2017

Currently Lead Application Developer and part of the Server Administration team at CAS-IT. Duties include creating, modifying, and maintaining various applications that are required by both the College of Arts and Sciences and its faculty and staff. Our supported applications are a combination of home built, open source, and third party cloud services. Primary languages used include C#, PHP, Python, SQL, and Powershell. My server team responsibilities include managing all of our web servers and database servers keeping everything with a respectable uptime and great performance and maintaining strong security standards. Helped manage a team of student and intern developers.

# **CAS-IT: Training & Advanced Projects**

Student Developer
Illinois State University, Normal, IL
October 2009 – June 2013

#### Education

#### **Illinois State University**

M.S., Information Systems
May 2016
Focus on Network & Security
Management

#### **Illinois State University**

B.S., Information Technology May 2013

Focus on Web Application Development

#### Certifications

# Offensive Security Certified Professional (OSCP)

April 2015

#### **ITIL Foundations**

June 2014

#### Relevant Skills

Metasploit Committer; exploit development; security assessment; reverse engineering; web and application development; Linux and Windows administration; SOC operations;