

# David Ripley

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## EDUCATION

### Kennesaw State University

August 2022 - Current

*Bachelor of Science, Major: Computer Science, Concentration: Cybersecurity*

*Kennesaw, GA*

- 3.08 GPA, GA Hope scholarship recipient
- Fourth year, Senior
- President of the ISSA club and member of OffSec club
- Study abroad in South Korea for a semester

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### KSU, Cyber Sec Intel & Response Team

September 2025 - Current

*IT Apprenticeship*

*Kennesaw, GA*

- Investigate potential breaches with Microsoft Defender and Splunk
- Research malicious phishing attempts and create PhishER rule blocks
- Manage communication of staff/teachers with security goals
- Create and manage scans with Burp Suite Enterprise

### The Select, Bar and Restaurant,

December 2021 - Current

*Bartender*

*Sandy Springs, GA*

- Balancing customer satisfaction with quality service
- Managing Inventory and the supply of different cocktails and spirits

### FIXD Automotive Inc,

July 2024 - March 2025

*QA Tester*

*(Remote) Atlanta, GA*

- Helped create and maintain documentation on QA efforts and procedures
- Ran tolerance tests for product response times and made sure they were within spec
- Collaborated with different teams in order to ensure proper testing and reviews were implemented
- Help maintain and create User and admin accounts of internal and external uses

### Group Seven Consulting,

May 2023 - August 2023

*Business Analysis Internship*

*Remote*

- Worked with lead to improve user story creation and testing
- Executed system integration test (SIT) and user acceptance tests (UAT) on client's behalf
- Incorporated Oracle System's best practices into user stories and design templates in JAMA documentation.

## CERTIFICATIONS, PROJECTS & COMPETITIONS

### Projects and Competitions:

- o NCL Cybergames CTF (2024 Fall and 2025 Spring)
  - placed in top 50 out of 500+ teams
- o CCDC CTF blue team competition (2025 Spring)
- o Won "The Future of Digital Payments" Seminar Competition
  - Gave a presentation about a Fintech application to a panel of judges
- o Home Ubuntu HomeLab/Media Server
  - Convert an old dell and installed ubuntu server with tons of apps
- o Presented the basics of HashCat Password Cracking
  - Created demo hashes for others to attempt to crack

### Certifications:

- o CompTIA CySA+ Certified (2025)
- o CompTIA Sec+ Certified (2025)
- o Finalist for CyberStars at SecureWorld for Emerging Stars (2025)
- o Google Cybersecurity Coursera (2024)
- o Eagle Scout (2020)