



Building your Cyber Career Roadmap

- Starting out
- In it to win it

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**KEEP
CALM
AND
DO THE
WORK**

Finding first cyber role that fits

Frame options around three basic functions:

- **Engineering / Operations (Developer...)**
- **Compliance / Policy**
- **Analyst / Red Team / Forensics**

Build out skill set

- **Technical Expertise**
- **Leadership / Management**
- **Financial Impact Analytics**

I often use a **six-month** window then switch mentors when I am ready to move on to a new focus area

North Star Guide for Roadmap

What do you want for you final job?

- **CEO**
- **CTO**
- **CISO**

Certifications

- HR and auditors love them...
- I think they are worth getting, but...

Research what job reqs are asking for!!!

Your Brand

How would someone describe you?

First impressions / Post interview

Practice Cyber Stalking

References / Peers / Managers

Community

Leveraging resources

What tools should you use?

LinkedIn (network management)

Job sites (variable ROI)

LLM AI (idea generator)

Key tasks

Find your dream job and **map your skills**

Determine how you learn best

Find a **mentor** and set your goals

Help someone – will validate what you know

Network – with folks able to help find next job

Next steps

Make a **plan**

Build your **brand**

Nail the **interview(s)**

Negotiate the **offer**

INVEST TIME IN RESEARCH AND SKILL DEVELOPMENT



More at Security Boulevard

- Finding a job after layoff
- Roadmap for Career

Abstract

Title: Building your Cyber Career Roadmap

Whether you are looking to move into cyber or well established it is important to manage your career because if you just respond to opportunities you can end up in a role that is not the best fit. This session will look at three parts to your cybersecurity career roadmap – your first job, your next job, and your final job. We will also map your skills and temperament to career tracks. Finally, we are going to cover how to develop the skills to navigate your career to your dream position.