IST Cyber Associate

SUMMARY

Do you want to dive deeper into the cutting-edge of cybersecurity, technology, and national security policy? Do you want to help people around the world improve their cyber preparedness? Have technical savvy, broad networks in both technical and policy worlds, and enjoy contributing to large, impactful projects on an agile team?

The Institute for Security and Technology is looking for a Cyber Associate to support our cyber portfolio with project management, writing, and research on the most cutting-edge cyber issues.

THE ROLE

This position will work closely with the Senior Cyber Director to shape and lead a number of upcoming and ongoing initiatives, including work on the Ransomware Task Force, a successful coalition that IST facilitated which recently published an 81-page report advising both industry and governments to take steps to curb the rise of ransomware. IST has a diverse cyber portfolio across the technology spectrum, with initiatives spanning BGP routing, botnets, AI and automation and data privacy.

At IST, we prioritize creating actionable solutions and working with technical practitioners to inform our work. We are looking for a Cyber Associate who can engage with technology topics on a granular level, and can communicate and write for a policy audience. The day-to-day would include managing ongoing initiatives, writing blogs and publications, contributing supporting research to a variety of cyber-focused projects, and some project management and scheduling work.

This is currently a 100% remote position, though residence in the San Francisco Bay Area is preferred. Competitive salary commensurate with experience, ranging from $60,000-$75,000. Commitment, passion for, and/or willing to learn about ways that various national security and technology communities can come together to outpace emerging security challenges is a must. Below are key qualifications for the position. **We recognize that not everyone may inherently possess all of the below, but individuals willing to learn and grow with us by 'jumping in the deep end' and willing/able to take initiative is an absolute requirement.**

QUALIFICATIONS

- 1-3 years working in policy, government, or industry working on technology, technology policy and/or national security policy and foreign affairs
- Project management experience
- Interest in national security policy
- Strong writing and communications skills
- General interest of emerging technology trends like cybersecurity, ML/AI techniques, democracy, human rights and security, or digital vulnerabilities
- Some publication experience on cybersecurity and/or national security issues
- Ability to communicate technical topics to a non-technical audience

WORKING AT IST

The Institute for Security and Technology designs and advances solutions to the world's toughest emerging security threats. We are a nonpartisan, nonprofit network based in the San Francisco Bay Area dedicated to solving critical international security challenges through better technology and policy. We are a growing national security and technology 501c3 Institute in the San Francisco Bay Area that is excited about the challenges we are tackling — join us in the fight! Organized to assess and incubate solutions to wicked emerging security threats, IST embodies the ethos of "bias for action" in order to outpace some of the world's toughest technology-driven security challenges. IST leads policy analysis, develops technology solutions, and convenes some of the best minds across the technology, national security, and civil society sectors. For more information, visit www.securityandtechnology.org.

We are a passionate, close-knit team with an excellent remote workflow, and are in the midst of rapid growth. We take pride in our ability to move quickly, create trusted venues for action-oriented solutions, conduct cutting edge, world class research, and use those insights to operationalize the work and provide recommendations to government agencies, industry, and academia. The team values creativity, entrepreneurship, individual leadership, a sense of humor, a growth mindset, and a willingness to take risks, fail on occasion, and help grow this young organization. We are mission driven, intent on vastly improving the current state of national security and technology policy in the United States and around the world. We look forward to your application.

HOW TO APPLY

Email a resume (as attachment) and cover letter (in body of email) to info@securityandtechnology.org with CYBER ASSOCIATE in the subject line.