



NCL Spring 2022 Individual Game Scouting Report

Dear Sean Dixon,

Thank you for participating in the National Cyber League (NCL) 2022 Spring Season! Our goal is to prepare the next generation of cybersecurity professionals, and your participation is helping achieve that goal.

The NCL was founded in May 2011 to provide an ongoing virtual training ground for collegiate students to develop, practice, and validate their cybersecurity skills in preparation for further learning, industry certifications, and career readiness. The NCL scenario-based challenges were designed around performance-based exam objectives of CompTIA certifications and are aligned to the National Initiative for Cybersecurity Education (NICE) Cybersecurity Workforce Framework published by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST).

As you look to a future career in cybersecurity, we hope you find this report to be valuable in both validating skills and identifying areas for improvement across the nine NCL skills categories. You can use this NCL Scouting Report to:

- Validate your skills to employers in any job application or professional portfolio;
- Show case your achievements and strengths by including the Score Card view of your performance as part of your résumé or simply sharing the validation link so that others may view the detailed version of this report.

The NCL 2022 Spring Season had 6,610 students/players and 467 faculty/coaches from more than 500 two- and four-year schools & 80 high schools across all 50 U.S. states registered to play. The Individual Game Capture the Flag (CTF) event took place from April 8 through April 10. The Team Game CTF event took place from April 22 through April 24. The games were conducted in real-time for students across the country.

NCL is powered by Cyber Skyline's cloud-based skills evaluation platform. Cyber Skyline hosted the scenario-driven cybersecurity challenges for players to compete and track their progress in real-time.



To validate this report, please access: cyberskyline.com/report/7EQ4MQ1RXYHM

CompTIA Based on the the performance detailed in this NCL Scouting Report, you have earned **9 hours** of Continuing Education Units (CEUs) as approved by CompTIA. You can learn more about the NCL - CompTIA alignment via nationalcyberleague.org/comptia.

Congratulations for your participation in the NCL 2022 Spring Individual Game! We hope you will continue to develop your knowledge and skills and make meaningful contributions as part of the Information Security workforce!

David Zeichick
NCL Commissioner

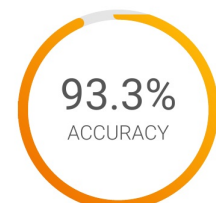
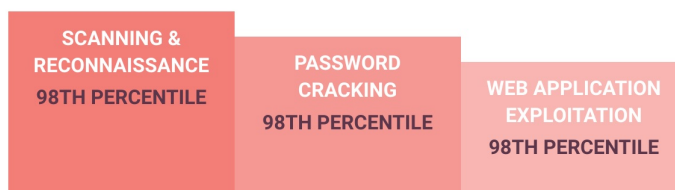


NATIONAL RANK
229TH PLACE
OUT OF 6010
PERCENTILE
97TH

NATIONAL CYBER LEAGUE SCORE CARD

NCL 2022 SPRING INDIVIDUAL GAME

YOUR TOP CATEGORIES



Average: 65.7%

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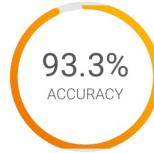


NCL Spring 2022 Individual Game

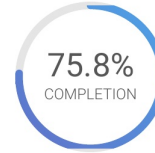
The NCL Individual Game is designed for student players nationwide to compete in realtime in the categories listed below. The Individual Game evaluates the technical cybersecurity skills of the individual, without the assistance of others.

229TH PLACE
OUT OF 6010
NATIONAL RANK

1850 POINTS
OUT OF 3000
PERFORMANCE SCORE



Average: 65.7%



Average: 33.5%

97th National
Percentile

Average: 730.1 Points

Cryptography

200 POINTS
OUT OF 345

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **85.7%**

Identify techniques used to encrypt or obfuscate messages and leverage tools to extract the plaintext.

Enumeration & Exploitation

180 POINTS
OUT OF 320

66.7%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **66.7%**

Identify actionable exploits and vulnerabilities and use them to bypass the security measures in code and compiled binaries.

Forensics

100 POINTS
OUT OF 300

80.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **50.0%**

Utilize the proper tools and techniques to analyze, process, recover, and/or investigate digital evidence in a computer-related incident.

Log Analysis

260 POINTS
OUT OF 340

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **88.2%**

Utilize the proper tools and techniques to establish a baseline for normal operation and identify malicious activities using log files from various services.

Network Traffic Analysis

225 POINTS
OUT OF 360

88.2%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **71.4%**

Identify malicious and benign network traffic to demonstrate an understanding of potential security breaches.

Open Source Intelligence

190 POINTS
OUT OF 300

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **80.0%**

Utilize publicly available information such as search engines, public repositories, social media, and more to gain in-depth knowledge on a topic or target.

Password Cracking

285 POINTS
OUT OF 310

95.2%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **95.2%**

Identify types of password hashes and apply various techniques to efficiently determine plaintext passwords.

Scanning & Reconnaissance

200 POINTS
OUT OF 300

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **50.0%**

Identify and use the proper tools to gain intelligence about a target including its services and potential vulnerabilities.

Web Application Exploitation

110 POINTS
OUT OF 325

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **62.5%**

Identify actionable exploits and vulnerabilities and use them to bypass the security measures in online services.

Note: Survey module (100 points) was excluded from this report.



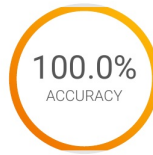


Cryptography Module

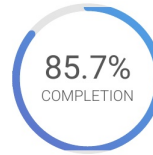
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339 TH PLACE
OUT OF 6010
NATIONAL RANK

200 POINTS
OUT OF 345
PERFORMANCE SCORE



Average: 85.3%



Average: 50.1%

TOP NICE WORKROLES
Security Control Assessor
Secure Software Assessor
Exploitation Analyst
Cyber Operator
Security Architect

95th National
Percentile

Average: 111.7 Points

Decoding 1 (Easy)

30 POINTS
OUT OF 30

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **100.0%**

Identify the type of base encoding used and decode the data

Decoding 2 (Easy)

25 POINTS
OUT OF 25

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **100.0%**

Identify the encoding scheme used and decode the data

Decoding 3 (Medium)

35 POINTS
OUT OF 35

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **100.0%**

Identify the encoding scheme used and decode the data

Decoding 4 (Medium)

40 POINTS
OUT OF 40

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **100.0%**

Identify the cipher scheme used and decrypt the data

Decoding 5 (Medium)

25 POINTS
OUT OF 40

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **100.0%**

Identify the communication scheme used and decode the message

Decoding 6 (Hard)

0 POINTS
OUT OF 100

0.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **0.0%**

Identify the communication scheme used and decode the message

Stego 1 (Easy)

35 POINTS
OUT OF 35

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **100.0%**

Identify the steganography technique used and extract the hidden data

Stego 2 (Medium)

10 POINTS
OUT OF 40

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **50.0%**

Identify the steganography technique used and extract the hidden data



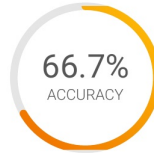


Enumeration & Exploitation Module

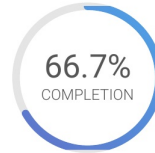
Identify actionable exploits and vulnerabilities and use them to bypass the security measures in code and compiled binaries.

344 TH PLACE
OUT OF 6010
NATIONAL RANK

180 POINTS
OUT OF 320
PERFORMANCE SCORE



Average: 60.7%



Average: 36.8%

TOP NICE WORKROLES

- Cyber Operator
- Target Developer
- Exploitation Analyst
- Software Developer
- Systems Security Analyst

95th National
Percentile

Average: 83.8 Points

Validator (Easy)

100 POINTS
OUT OF 100

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **100.0%**

Decompile and analyze Java bytecode

Blocky (Medium)

80 POINTS
OUT OF 110

40.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **66.7%**

Disassemble and analyze a malicious Chrome browser extension

Exploit (Hard)

0 POINTS
OUT OF 110

0.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **0.0%**

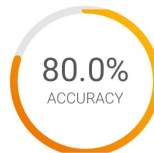
Analyze a remote Linux server for vulnerabilities and demonstrate proof of concept exploit

Forensics Module

Utilize the proper tools and techniques to analyze, process, recover, and/or investigate digital evidence in a computer-related incident.

410 TH PLACE
OUT OF 6010
NATIONAL RANK

100 POINTS
OUT OF 300
PERFORMANCE SCORE



Average: 57.4%



Average: 37.6%

TOP NICE WORKROLES

- Cyber Defense Forensics Analyst
- Cyber Crime Investigator
- Cyber Defense Incident Responder
- Cyber Defense Analyst

94th National
Percentile

Average: 70.1 Points

Archived (Easy)

50 POINTS
OUT OF 100

75.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **75.0%**

Extract hidden metadata information from a tar archive file

Puzzle (Medium)

50 POINTS
OUT OF 100

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **50.0%**

Identify overlapping byte segments to reconstruct a multi-part file

Hacker Flyer (Hard)

0 POINTS
OUT OF 100

0.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **0.0%**

Extract sensitive data from a Windows memory dump





Log Analysis Module

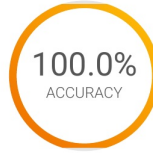
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OUT OF 6010
NATIONAL RANK

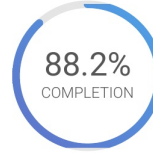
96th National
Percentile

260 POINTS
OUT OF
340
PERFORMANCE SCORE

Average: 122.7 Points



Average: 42.8%



Average: 41.3%

TOP NICE WORKROLES
Cyber Defense Analyst
Systems Security Analyst
All-Source Analyst
Cyber Defense Forensics Analyst
Data Analyst

IIS (Easy)

Analyze a Windows IIS web server log to identify attacker scanning activity

110 POINTS
OUT OF
110

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **100.0%**

Devices (Medium)

Analyze an IOT sensors log to identify anomalous behavior

110 POINTS
OUT OF
110

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **100.0%**

Email (Hard)

Analyze email logs to identify phishing attempts and suspicious email senders

40 POINTS
OUT OF
120

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **60.0%**

Network Traffic Analysis Module

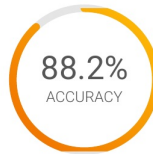
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OUT OF 6010
NATIONAL RANK

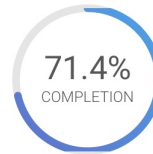
95th National
Percentile

225 POINTS
OUT OF
360
PERFORMANCE SCORE

Average: 102.3 Points



Average: 52.5%



Average: 37.5%

TOP NICE WORKROLES
Cyber Defense Analyst
All-Source Analyst
Cyber Defense Incident Responder
Target Network Analyst
Cyber Operator

Transfer (Easy)

Extract sensitive information from a FTP packet capture

75 POINTS
OUT OF
90

85.7%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **85.7%**

WiFi Cracking (Medium)

Identify vulnerable WiFi encryption scheme and crack the WiFi password

70 POINTS
OUT OF
70

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **100.0%**

Kryptonite (Medium)

Decrypt and analyze an intercepted TLS packet capture

80 POINTS
OUT OF
80

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **100.0%**

AirKeys (Hard)

Analyze Bluetooth keyboard connection and reconstruct keystrokes to extract credential information

0 POINTS
OUT OF
120

0.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **0.0%**



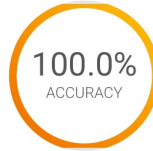


Open Source Intelligence Module

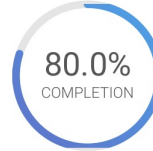
Utilize publicly available information such as search engines, public repositories, social media, and more to gain in-depth knowledge on a topic or target.

1935 TH PLACE
OUT OF 6010
NATIONAL RANK

190 POINTS
OUT OF 300
PERFORMANCE SCORE



Average: 71.0%



Average: 77.4%

TOP NICE WORKROLES
Systems Security Analyst
Target Developer
System Administrator
Research & Development Specialist
Cyber Intel Planner

68th National
Percentile

Average: 187.7 Points

Rules of Conduct (Easy)

15 POINTS
OUT OF 15

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **100.0%**

Introductory challenge on acceptable conduct during NCL

Whois (Easy)

60 POINTS
OUT OF 60

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **100.0%**

Explore whois registration information on IP addresses

Filings (Easy)

50 POINTS
OUT OF 50

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **100.0%**

Identify common regulatory filings required in the cybersecurity industry

Tor (Medium)

75 POINTS
OUT OF 75

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **100.0%**

Identify metadata and affiliation information about Tor relay nodes

Caller ID (Hard)

-10 POINTS
OUT OF 100

0.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **0.0%**

Geolocate an individual using cellular tower identification number



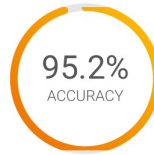


Password Cracking Module

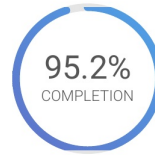
Identify types of password hashes and apply various techniques to efficiently determine plaintext passwords.

152 ND PLACE
OUT OF 6010
NATIONAL RANK

285 POINTS
OUT OF 310
PERFORMANCE SCORE



Average: 88.9%



Average: 48.4%

TOP NICE WORKROLES

- Cyber Operator
- Exploitation Analyst
- Systems Security Analyst
- Cyber Defense Incident Responder
- Cyber Crime Investigator

98th National
Percentile

Average: 108.5 Points

Hashing (Easy)

15 POINTS
OUT OF 15

75.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **100.0%**

Generate password hashes for MD5, SHA1, and SHA256

Cracking 1 (Easy)

30 POINTS
OUT OF 30

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **100.0%**

Crack MD5 password hashes

Cracking 2 (Easy)

30 POINTS
OUT OF 30

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **100.0%**

Crack Windows NTLM password hashes

Cracking 3 (Medium)

45 POINTS
OUT OF 45

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **100.0%**

Build a wordlist or pattern config to crack password hashes of a known pattern

Cracking 4 (Hard)

120 POINTS
OUT OF 145

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **85.7%**

Build a wordlist to crack passwords not found in common wordlists

PDF (Medium)

45 POINTS
OUT OF 45

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **100.0%**

Crack the password of a PDF document file



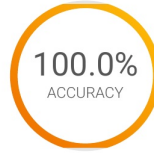


Scanning & Reconnaissance Module

Identify and use the proper tools to gain intelligence about a target including its services and potential vulnerabilities.

147 TH PLACE
OUT OF 6010
NATIONAL RANK

200 POINTS
OUT OF 300
PERFORMANCE SCORE



Average: 62.3%



Average: 30.7%

TOP NICE WORKROLES
Vulnerability Assessment Analyst
Target Network Analyst
Cyber Operations Planner
Target Developer
Security Control Assessor

98th National
Percentile

Average: 95.2 Points

FTP Scan (Easy)

Scan a FTP server to enumerate its contents and possible vulnerabilities

100 POINTS
OUT OF 100

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **100.0%**

Disclosure (Medium)

Identify server configuration and enumerate remote web server paths

100 POINTS
OUT OF 100

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **100.0%**

Castle (Hard)

Scan and analyze the results from a LDAP server

0 POINTS
OUT OF 100

0.0%
ACCURACY

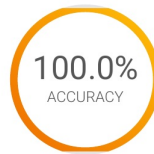
COMPLETION: **0.0%**

Web Application Exploitation Module

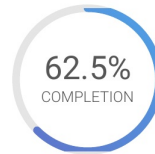
Identify actionable exploits and vulnerabilities and use them to bypass the security measures in online services.

162 ND PLACE
OUT OF 6010
NATIONAL RANK

110 POINTS
OUT OF 325
PERFORMANCE SCORE



Average: 52.0%



Average: 33.3%

TOP NICE WORKROLES
Cyber Operator
Software Developer
Exploitation Analyst
Systems Security Analyst
Database Administrator

98th National
Percentile

Average: 53.3 Points

Wordly (Easy)

Exploit a popular game app by analyzing the partial logic in the browser side JavaScript code

100 POINTS
OUT OF 100

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **100.0%**

Cookie Game (Medium)

Identify and exploit hidden backdoor functionality to gain access to the server

10 POINTS
OUT OF 100

100.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **33.3%**

PayMo (Hard)

Exploit a payment processing app for vulnerabilities that would drain user balance

0 POINTS
OUT OF 125

0.0%
ACCURACY

COMPLETION: **0.0%**

