

COURSE OUTLINE

DNS for Security Practitioners

Intensive and Interactive – Led by an authorized instructor, this vendor-agnostic training course provides relevant information on how DNS is abused, presented in a format that is easy to understand and digest for today’s security practitioners. Several types of activities are used in the course to reinforce topics and increase knowledge retention, including questions from the instructor, demos, group discussions, and case studies.

Course Description	Understand how DNS is abused by attackers to compromise network security, and the techniques to mitigate those risks. Learn how attacks are executed through case studies and protocol analysis, gain deep understanding of the attacker’s mind set, and design defense strategies that strike at the core of DNS-based exploits and tactics.
Target Audience	This training course is intended for professionals working or intending to work in the information security area. This course is ideal for Cyber Security Specialists, Security Analysts, Security Engineers, Security Operations Manager, and Security Architects.
Duration	1 day
Learning Style	Lecture, demo, and group discussions and activities
Available Modalities	Instructor-led, Virtual Instructor-led, On-Demand
Prerequisites	Attendees should have at least two years’ experience working in information security or a related field and a basic understanding of networking.
Training Credits	10
Course Topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protocol Review • DNS and Malware • Lookalike Domains and DGA • Exfiltration and Behavioral Analysis • DNS Hijacking and Encrypted DNS • Cache Poisoning and DNSSEC • Defense Strategies • Best Practices

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Topics in Detail

1. Protocol Review
 - DHCP
 - DNS
 - IPAM
2. DNS and Malware
 - Malware and DNS
 - Command and Control
 - Case Study: WannaCry
 - Case Study: Black KingDom
 - DNS Tunneling
 - Case Study: InvisiMole
3. Lookalike Domains and DGA
 - Lookalike Domains
 - RPZ
 - DGA
 - Case Study: Zloader
 - Defense Options
4. Exfiltration and Behavioral Analysis
 - Data Exfiltration
 - Case Study: AlinaPOS
 - Newly Observed Domains
 - Behavioral Analysis
5. DNS Hijacking and Encrypted DNS
 - Client Hijacking
 - Case Study: Win32.QHOST
 - Case Study: Dridex
 - Domain Hijacking
 - Case Study: FOX-IT
 - Mitigation
 - Encrypted DNS
 - Case Study: GodLUA
6. Cache Poisoning and DNSSEC
 - Cache Poisoning
 - Probability of Success
 - Case Study: The Kaminsky
 - Case Study: SadDNS
 - DNSSEC
7. Defense Strategies
 - Attack and Defense Overview
 - Incorporating DDI and SIEM
 - Pyramid of Pain
 - MITRE ATT&CK
 - DNS Views
8. Best Practices
 - Summary of threats and defenses
 - Best practices