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Paper Requirements

College of Information Security & Assurance
ISA 450
Modern Cyber Conflicts

Description

1. Take an event or development in cyber-conflict and perform an historical case study;
2. Choose one aspect of cyber-conflict and examine alternative approaches or theories that could improve understanding of the subject;
3. Examine a salient policy problem of a relevant topic and propose a solution in a global context.

Paper Requirements

Papers must be a minimum of 3000 words in length, double-spaced, and typed with 12-point Times New Roman font. Author will have a minimum of three sources using APA formatting. Please see syllabus for due dates.

Evaluation Criteria

Submissions will be evaluated based on originality, strength of argument and recommendations, adherence to the norms of spelling, grammar, and syntax, and clarity.

Originality: Has the author identified and defined the central issue? Is this issue of major importance to the intelligence community or of major concern to users of intelligence? Has the author revisited a known issue and proposed a new approach or solution, or has the author defined an issue or approach from a new perspective? **Weight: 35 Percent**

Research and Analysis: Has the author done original research, such as interviews or use of primary material, to bolster their paper? Are the facts and opinions from this research analyzed to make a coherent case on how and why this incident is historically relevant? **Weight: 35 Percent**

Clarity: Is the author's product clearly presented and well organized? Is the issue clearly described and documented with the recommendations and proposed outcomes precisely laid out? Is the writing clear and lucid? **Weight: 20 Percent**

Spelling, Grammar, and Syntax: Has the author prepared a grammatically correct and properly edited entry? **Weight: 10 Percent**

Recommended Case Studies

Case Studies

Authors may choose from the case studies below:

- Russian Patriot Hacking, such as during NATO's operation ALLIED FORCE (1999)
 - Chinese Patriot Hacking, such as after the NATO bombing of the Chinese Embassy in Belgrade (1999), the Hainan Island Incident (2001), and in reaction to the 2010 Nobel Peace Prize
 - Other Patriot Hacking: Indian and Pakistani (1999-2001) or Israeli and Palestinian (1999-2001)
 - Evolution of U.S. Use of Cyber Power: DESERT STORM (1990), ALLIED FORCE (1999), Global War on Terrorism (2001-), UNIFIED PROTECTOR (2011)
 - Espionage, such as TITAN RAIN, DIB intrusions (2000s-present), Espionage into German, French and Canadian ministries (2007-)
 - Cuckoo's Egg (~1986)
 - Morris Worm (1988)
 - ELIGIBLE RECEIVER (1997)
 - SOLAR SUNRISE (1998)
 - MOONLIGHT MAZE (1999)
 - Cyber conflict in Estonia (2007)
 - Cyber conflict in Georgia (2008)
 - Operation Buckshot Yankee (2008)
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