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DEFENSIBLE CAPABILITY SCORE REPORT

— CYBER CAPSTONE EVALUATION AND SCORING REPORT —

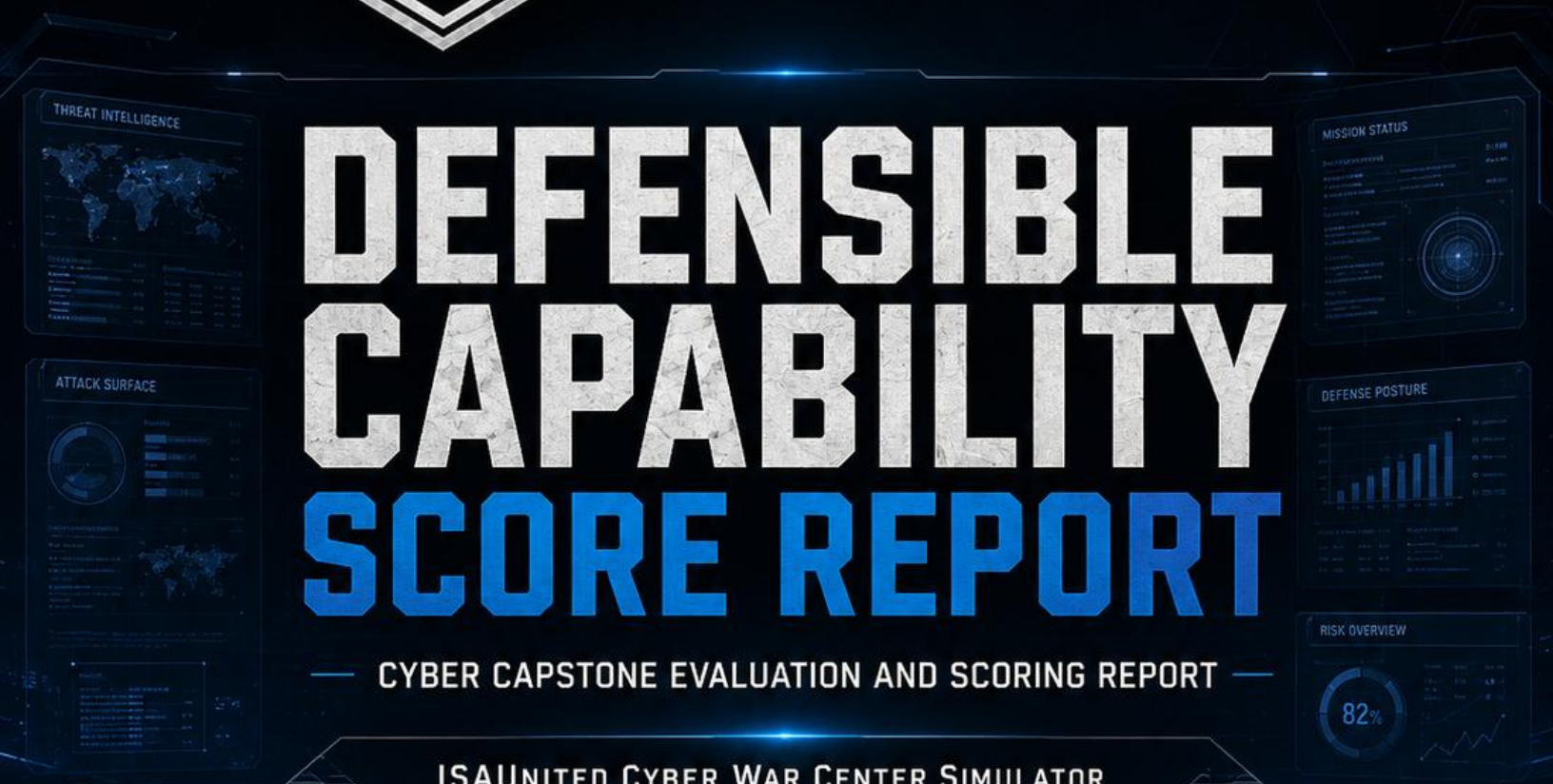
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Sample Public Report | Fictional Data

Cyber Capstone Evaluation and Scoring Report

| Student or Practitioner | Sample Practitioner | TOTAL TECHNICAL SCORE |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Role Track | Security by Design | 84% |
| Organization | Orion Digital Services | Rating: Green |
| Scenario | ICC-SbD-06 Launch Shield | Outcome: Pass |
| Review Date | November 29, 2025 | |
| Report ID | 2026-SAMPLE-001 | |

Rating Legend

| Green | Yellow | Yellow | Red |
|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|
| 80 to 100% Pass | 70 to 79% Conditional Pass | 60 to 69% Remediation Required | 0 to 59% Fail |

1. Report Purpose

This sample report shows how a completed Cyber Capstone submission is converted into an evidence based Defensible Capability Score. The score reflects artifact quality, defensible reasoning, and demonstrated practitioner capability.

The Technical Artifact Evaluation determines the official score and outcome. The Professional Capability Profile is scored separately to show skills, knowledge, abilities, judgment, communication, and evidence discipline. This sample uses fictional data.

2. Scoring Formula Summary

| Formula Area | Calculation | Notes |
|----------------------------|--|--|
| Technical score | Sum of the five weighted category scores | Maximum technical score is 100 points. |
| Technical percent | Technical score divided by 100 | The percent drives the color rating and formal outcome. |
| Capability score | Average of Skill, Knowledge, and Ability for each capability dimension, rounded to one decimal place | This does not replace the technical score. |
| Overall capability profile | Average of all capability scores, rounded to one decimal place | 1.0 to 1.4 Foundation, 1.5 to 2.4 Proficient, 2.5 to 3.0 Advanced. |

3. Cyber Capstone Artifacts Reviewed

| Artifact ID | Artifact Title | Evidence Reviewed |
|-------------|---|---|
| Artifact 1 | Executive Summary | Problem framing, business context, assumptions, and recommended direction. |
| Artifact 2 | Threat and Risk Threat Model Snapshot | Threat vectors, exposure conditions, impact paths, and risk priorities. |
| Artifact 3 | Design and Control Strategy | Core principles, security controls, standards alignment, requirements, and rationale. |
| Artifact 4 | Key Cybersecurity Design Model Architecture Diagram | Trust boundaries, defensive mechanism placement, architecture fit, and control placement. |
| Artifact 5 | Project Team Presentation Deck | Clear communication of the defensible plan, major decisions, tradeoffs, and readiness recommendation. |

4. Technical Artifact Evaluation

This section scores the submitted Cyber Capstone artifacts using five weighted categories. Scores must reference specific artifacts, sections, figures, tables, diagrams, or presentation slides. This section determines the official technical score and capstone outcome.

| Scoring Category | Weight | What the Category Measures | Primary Evidence | Score | Rating |
|--|--------|---|-------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Threat Reasoning and Risk Judgment | 20 | Quality of inferred threat vectors, exposure conditions, threat tools, risk prioritization, and scenario specific judgment. | Artifacts 2, 3, 4 | 17 / 20 | Proficient |
| Design and Control Strategy | 25 | Quality, relevance, and practicality of Security by Design decisions, control direction, requirements, and tradeoffs. | Artifacts 1, 3, 4 | 21 / 25 | Proficient |
| Standards and Control Alignment | 20 | Use of Defensible 10 Standards, Cybersecurity Core Principles, control intent, and traceability recommendations. | Artifacts 3, 4 | 17 / 20 | Proficient |
| Architecture Reasoning and Defense Model | 20 | Ability to interpret the system, trust boundaries, dependencies, data flows, defensive placement, and architecture fit. | Artifacts 2, 4 | 17 / 20 | Proficient |
| Communication and Defensibility | 15 | Clarity of assumptions, rationale, presentation quality, decision defense, and ability to brief a project team. | Artifacts 1, 5 | 12 / 15 | Proficient |
| Total Technical Score | 100 | Total weighted score across all categories. | All artifacts | 84 / 100 | Green |

5. Technical Scoring Rubric

| Category | Foundation Range | Proficient Range | Advanced Range |
|---|--|---|--|
| Threat Reasoning and Risk Judgment | Identifies general threats but misses scenario specific exposure conditions, impact paths, or risk priorities. | Identifies credible threat vectors, exposure conditions, and risk priorities that fit the scenario. | Anticipates adversary behavior, failure modes, trust dependencies, and business impact with clear prioritization. |
| Design and Control Strategy | Provides generic controls or principles with limited fit to scenarios. | Provides practical Security by Design decisions with clear rationale and tradeoffs. | Builds an integrated design strategy that balances risk, operations, launch constraints, and sustainment. |
| Standards and Control Alignment | Mentions standards or controls without strong traceability. | Connects recommendations to Defensible 10 Standards, principles, and control intent. | Uses standards and control intent to create a traceable, defensible, and evidence ready design position. |
| Architecture Reasoning and Defense Model | Describes the diagram but does not fully reason through dependencies or boundaries. | Interprets components, data flows, trust boundaries, and defensive placement credibly. | Shows strong system reasoning with control placement that fits architecture, operations, and likely misuse conditions. |
| Communication and Defensibility | The submission is difficult to follow and lacks clear assumptions and rationale. | Communicates the plan clearly with reasonable assumptions, evidence, and decision logic. | Presents a strong professional argument that a technical project team or leader can act on. |

6. Defensible Loop Evidence Coverage

This section does not replace the official technical score. It maps submitted evidence to the Defensible Loop, enabling the evaluator to show where the candidate demonstrated lifecycle coverage across Define, Design, Deploy, Detect, Defend, and Demonstrate outcomes.

| Phase | Evidence Expected | Artifact Sources | Coverage | Evaluator Notes |
|--------------------|---|-------------------|-----------------|--|
| Define | Scope, business requirements, constraints, assumptions, and design problem framing. | Artifacts 1, 3 | Complete | Scope and launch constraints are clear. |
| Design | Threat informed design direction, control intent, standards alignment, and risk based security decisions. | Artifacts 2, 3, 4 | Complete | Threat informed design choices are traceable. |
| Deploy | Defensive mechanism placement, architecture fit, implementation intent, and configuration direction. | Artifact 4 | Complete | Placement of key mechanisms is shown. |
| Detect | Monitoring, logging, alerting, telemetry, and detection considerations. | Artifacts 3, 4 | Partial | Detection intent is present; telemetry detail needs expansion. |
| Defend | Resilience, containment, response readiness, residual risk, and operational protection. | Artifacts 3, 4, 5 | Complete | Residual risk and response posture are addressed. |
| Demonstrate | Evidence, rationale, presentation quality, decision defense, and stakeholder communication. | Artifacts 1, 5 | Complete | Presentation supports the recommendation. |

7. Professional Capability Profile

This section evaluates the practitioner's skills, knowledge, and abilities as demonstrated through the submitted artifacts. It is scored separately from the Technical Artifact Evaluation and measures disciplined practice, the quality of reasoning, and the defensibility of professional judgment.

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| 1 Foundation | 2 Proficient | 3 Advanced |
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Skill means execution and technique. Knowledge means understanding and correctness. Ability means judgment and application under constraints. Capability Score is the average of Skill, Knowledge, and Ability for each capability dimension, rounded to one decimal place.

| Capability Dimension | Skill | Knowledge | Ability | CP | Evidence References | Evaluator Notes |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Engineering Discipline | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2.3 | Artifacts 3 and 4 | Structured and practical. |
| Systems Reasoning | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2.7 | Artifact 4, Figure 1 | Strong boundary reasoning. |
| Threat and Risk Judgment | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2.0 | Artifact 2, Section 2 | Credible threat priority. |
| Defensive Design Quality | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2.7 | Artifact 3, Section 4 | Well aligned controls. |
| Verification and Evidence Mindset | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2.0 | Artifacts 3 and 5 | Evidence is usable. |
| Operational Readiness | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2.0 | Artifact 5, Slide 8 | Clear readiness path. |
| Clarity and Communication | 3 | 2 | 3 | 2.7 | Artifact 1 and Slide 3 | Concise executive brief. |
| Overall Capability Profile | 2.3 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 2.3 | All artifacts | Overall profile is Proficient. |

8. Capability Profile Summary

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| Executive Summary | The sample practitioner demonstrated a strong Security by Design posture with credible threat reasoning, practical control selection, and clear architecture rationale. The work is ready to advance, with additional telemetry detail recommended before production launch. |
| Key Strengths | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Clear threat vector prioritization2. Practical defensive mechanism placement3. Strong executive communication |
| Priority Development Areas | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Expand detection telemetry requirements2. Strengthen residual risk evidence3. Add stronger verification criteria |
| Recommended Next Step | Advance to the next capstone tier |
| Evaluator Recommendation | This sample result supports advancement. A team lead should use the development areas as coaching points before assigning higher complexity scenarios. |
| Evidence Citation Format | Example: Artifact 2, Section 3.2; Artifact 4, Figure 1; Artifact 5, Slide 8. |

9. Evaluator Attestation

The evaluator attests that the score is based on submitted Cyber Capstone evidence, the applicable rubric version, and the role track expectations assigned to the scenario. The evaluation reflects the submitted work and does not certify independent job performance outside the capstone unless separately authorized by the ISAUnited program policy.

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| Reviewer | Sample Evaluator |
| Title | Cyber Capstone Evaluator |
| Rubric Version | v1.0 - Sample Rubric |
| Signature and Date | Sample Signature November 29, 2025 |