

IS 497B: Information Security and Assurance Current Events in Information Security Assignment

Introduction

To increase students' awareness of current topics in information security, groups of students will rotate responsibility to search for articles in information security, brief the class on the pertinent points in the article and lead a short class discussion on the topics contained within the article.

Assignment

Your group is responsible for the current events discussion as indicated in the course schedule. Note that each group will is responsible for leading the current event discussion two times throughout the remainder of the term.

Each member of your group will provide a news article on information security; preferably, the article is relevant to the specific topic of discussion for that day's class lecture.

Each member is to find a unique article; that is, your group will need to collaborate to make certain each of you has a different article for each assignment. But this is the only extent to which your group needs to collaborate on this assignment.

Each member is required to provide an electronic copy of the article (preferred) or a link to the file (if a clean electronic copy of the article cannot be obtained), to your instructor (via email) no later than the Sunday night before your group is scheduled to lead the current events discussion period in class.

Each member will lead class discussion on his/her article focusing on what he/she feels are the relevant points of the content of the article. I will post or distribute to the rest of the class on Monday, the copy of the article (or link) you have provided. Therefore, you can presume that the rest of the class has read and is familiar with your article. This means that you will not have to describe the content of the article to the class, you can simply lead discussion of the content.

Along with the article, you are to provide a discussion question you have written about the content of the article. You are also to provide a brief description of what you feel is the relevance of this current event to management of information security.

Deliverable

As described above, each member of your group, on the date designated in the course schedule, will lead class discussion in current events based on an article on information security that you have chosen. You are to email an electronic copy of the article (or a link to the article) no later than the Sunday before the class meeting where you will lead current event discussion. Along with the copy of the article, you are to provide a discussion question you have written regarding the content of the article as well as a brief description of what you feel is the relevance of the current event to the course.