

# Maria Diaz Alba

Miami, FL | (786) 569-9158 | m.mariadiazalba@gmail.com

## PROFILE

Motivated by a strong interest in integrating a professional journey in cybersecurity and artificial intelligence with a background in forensic investigation techniques to address modern challenges. Eager to apply expertise in practical settings creating innovative solutions with positive societal impact.

## EDUCATION

### Applied Artificial Intelligence - Internet of Things | Master of Science

August 2024 - July 2025

Florida International University (FIU), Miami, FL

- Acquired hands-on experience in deep learning models (CNNs, RNNs, LLMs) and transformer architectures for solving real-world challenges in computer vision and NLP.
- Gained expertise in Machine Learning and Generative AI, including deploying solutions for training, fine-tuning, and inference in IoT applications.
- Certificates:** Microsoft Certified: Azure AI Fundamentals (AI-900) | Azure Big Data (DP-900)

### Forensic Sciences and Technologies | Bachelor's Degree

August 2020 - July 2024

University of Alcala (UAH), Madrid, Spain

- GPA: 3.75/ 4.0
- Thesis project: OSINT Tools for Social Media Investigations**
  - Analyzed and evaluated 9 tools for identifying illicit actors and monitoring illegal activities on Telegram.
- Honors:** ERASMUS Mobility Program (Scholarship) study 6 months at *Université de Lausanne, Switzerland*.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### TRC Informatica S.L, Madrid, Spain

March 2024 - July 2024

AI Security Solutions Developer - Internship

- Worked with cyber intelligence team to implement security measures based on threat hunting and leak detection.
- Key project: Credential Risk Assessment Tool**
  - Led research, design, and development of a tool that integrates Artificial Intelligence to assess risk levels for credentials detected in Telegram data leaks. Applied machine learning algorithms to create a predictive model and deployed it in a custom web application for graphical risk assessment, using Python as main language.
  - Enhanced security alerts accuracy, warning of around 20 leaked credentials daily with their severity score, prioritizing analysis and boosting evaluation efficiency on 80%.

### BlueMath Academy, Madrid, Spain

October 2020 - December 2023

Mathematics Teacher

- Mentored students by designing and refining personalized study plans, improving final marks by 20%.

## CONFERENCES

- CNN-CERT (National Cryptologic Center) Cyberdefense Conference**

November 2024

"Development of a Telegram tool for detecting exfiltrated passwords." – Madrid, Spain

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

**Programming Languages:** Python (Pandas, Sklearn, Tensorflow, Keras, Pytorch, PySpark, Matplotlib, Seaborn, Dash)

**Operating Systems:** Windows | Linux

**Software:** Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint) | Power BI | Tableau | GitHub | VS Code | Recorded Future

**Hardware:** Raspberry Pi | Arduino

## LANGUAGES

- English (Advanced)
- French (Advanced)
- Spanish (Native)