# Alex Smolen
Consultant

Foundstone Role

Alex Smolen is a Software Security Consultant at Foundstone, where he provides security consulting services to clients to help find, fix, and prevent security vulnerabilities in enterprise software. His duties include threat modeling, code review, penetration testing, and secure software development lifecycle (S-SDLC) design and implementation. He is also an instructor for the Writing Secure Code, Building Secure Software, and Ultimate Web Hacking courses.
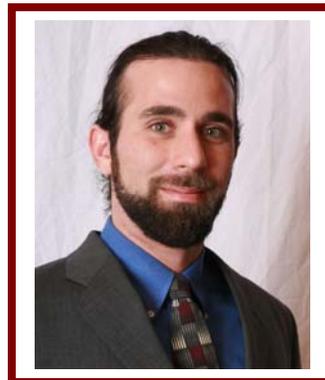
Experience

Alex has been working in software development for a decade and has participated in and led several development projects in ASP.NET, Java, and Ruby on Rails. His primary interests include the integration of security into software development life cycles, evaluating the business impact of information security, and the security of emerging technologies. Alex is a contributing member of the software security community and has participated in several open-source security projects.

Prior to joining Foundstone, Alex was the Security Solutions Manager at Parasoft Corporation, where he led the development of tools and methodologies for helping clients ensure application security from the ground up.

Notable Accomplishments

Alex is one of 24 recipients worldwide of the Microsoft MVP Award for Visual Developer, Security
Alex has spoken at the following conferences:
- Enterprise Architect Summit, 2005
- Better Software, 2005
- OWASP Conference, 2005
- SD West, 2007
- SD Best Practices, 2007

Alex has published the following articles:
- Enterprise Architect, "Is Your Application Security Up to Spec?"
- Java Developers Journal, "How to Create Secure Web Applications With Struts"

Alex is the author of Hacme Casino, available on Foundstone's web site.

Professional Education

Alex graduated from the University of California, Berkeley, with a BS in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science (EECS).

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