# Damn Vulnerable AWS API

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# **Executive Summary**

#### **Development Standards & Practices Used**

GitLab

Agile Sprint Development Cycle

**AWS Security Testing Standards** 

**AWS/Cloud Network Architecture** 

**OWASP** Top Ten

#### Summary of Requirements

Deliberately incorporates common AWS-specific vulnerabilities. These vulnerabilities should include misconfigured permissions, security group issues, identity and access management flaws, and more.

Create a diverse set of AWS scenarios that reflect real-world use cases, including AWS Lambda functions, S3 buckets, EC2 instances, and IAM roles. Each scenario should have associated vulnerabilities that mimic those found in actual AWS environments.

Provide comprehensive documentation that outlines the vulnerabilities, attack vectors, and potential exploitation techniques present in the Damn Vulnerable AWS API. Include a step-by-step walkthrough of common AWS security risks.

Implement an incident response component that enables users to analyze logs, identify security incidents, and assess the impact of potential breaches within the Damn Vulnerable AWS API. This component should offer insights into AWS-specific log analysis techniques.

Realistically mimic AWS services and vulnerabilities, ensuring an authentic learning experience.

Implement safeguards to prevent unintended damage to actual AWS resources and ensure that the environment is safe for experimentation.

Provide clear and detailed documentation to guide users through the vulnerabilities and potential attacks.

Utilize AWS services such as Lambda, S3, EC2, IAM, and CloudWatch to create the API environment.

Develop custom code and configurations to introduce vulnerabilities into the AWS API.

Implement logging and monitoring to capture user interactions and security incidents within the environment.

### Applicable Courses from Iowa State University Curriculum

List all Iowa State University courses whose contents were applicable to your project.

**CPRE 230** 

**CPRE 231** 

**CYBE 234** 

CYBE 430/530

**COMS 309** 

**CPRE 489** 

**ENGL 314** 

## New Skills/Knowledge acquired that was not taught in courses

List all new skills/knowledge that your team acquired which was not part of your Iowa State curriculum in order to complete this project.

- Design of CloudFormation Templates
- Knowledge of AWS Resources
- Knowledge of AWS Services S3, EC2, IAM, CloudWatch
- Professional documentation & communication with Clients
- Pentesting
- Role Based Access Controls

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3) _Garrett Arp	4) _Ethan Douglass
c) Andrew Rowen	6) Karthik Kasarahada

7) \_Ayo Ogunsola\_\_\_\_\_

#### 1.2 REQUIRED SKILL SETS FOR YOUR PROJECT

(if feasible – tie them to the requirements)

- Basic programming
- Knowledge of AWS Resources
- Pentesting
- Technical Writing/Documentation
- Digital Forensics
- Incident Response
- Role Based Access Controls
- AWS Safeguards

#### 1.3 SKILL SETS COVERED BY THE TEAM

Ashler Benda - Pentesting, Active Directory Testing, Relay Attacks, Basic Programming, Web App Design, Technical Documentation

Ahmed Nasereddin - Active Directory, IAM, Basic Programming (Java, C,Python, C#), Technical Writing

Ayo Ogunsola - Active Directory, Pentesting, Basic AWS, Basic Programming (Java, C, Python, C#), Technical Documentation, IAM

Karthik Kasarabada - Pentesting AD, Intermediate AWS (ECS, IAM), Basic Programming (Python, C, Java), Technical Writing

Andrew Bowen - Pentesting, Kerberos, Active Directory, Basic Web Frontend, Basic Programming (C, Java, Python), Technical Writing

Ethan Douglass - Basic Programming (SQL, C#, Python, Java), Active Directory, Technical Writing

Garrett Arp - Technical Writing, Basic Programming (SQL, C#, Python, Java), Intermediate Microsoft Azure, Intermediate Terraform and Ansible Infrastructure Engineering, Basic Web Frontend

#### 1.4 Project Management Style Adopted by the team

Weekly agile style team meetings

#### 1.5 Initial Project Management Roles

Team Organization (Scrum Master): Andrew Bowen

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