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Thread: [curious to know; how long does it take to learn how to hack?](#)

SIM-5739627 - March 1, 2026, 6:23 pm

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Goldenboi - March 1, 2026, 6:25 pm

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(Mar 1, 2026 07:25 PM)Goldenboi Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) It takes dedication and hard work, not how long and it depends on how good you understand concepts and methodologies.
interesting. i wonder, is it a continuously learning and expanding field?

DramaKing - March 1, 2026, 7:22 pm

One never stops.

Tyr - March 1, 2026, 7:23 pm

Not very difficult if you enjoy it and find a subtopic of it that interests you. I learned through both avenues. Not difficult but there's many forms of hacking from social engineering to stuff that involves more complex technical concepts such as data forensics and ethical hacking knowledge.

Start with what interests you. trust

PacketPilot - March 1, 2026, 7:34 pm

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It's not easy, but it's also not impossible. It requires patience, discipline, and consistent learning. If someone is genuinely interested, the best approach is to focus on ethical hacking and security, and build a strong foundation first.

Tyr - March 1, 2026, 7:48 pm

(Mar 1, 2026 08:34 PM)PacketPilot Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) It requires patience, discipline, and consistent learning.

This is probably equally, if not way more important than what I said too btw @OP

masoniac - March 1, 2026, 11:29 pm

depends on what you are learning you can learn how to code a program in a few months

Deany - March 2, 2026, 2:54 am

I don't know how to hack. I'm just a filthy gambling addict.

StinkButt420 - March 2, 2026, 11:32 am

As far as I know, it's a life-long pursuit. You never stop learning, and you simply can not know everything.