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EDUCATION

Northeastern University, Boston, MA

Sep 2024 – Dec 2027

Candidate for Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering with an Aerospace Minor

GPA: 3.87

Activities: AerospaceNU, ASME, Materials Engineering Research, TAMID, InterVarsity

Relevant Courses: Statics, Mechanics of Materials, Dynamics, Propulsion, Mechanical Design, Thermodynamics, Fluid Mechanics

University at Buffalo, Buffalo, NY

Aug 2023 – May 2024

Activities: University Nanosatellite Program, Solar Splash Electric Boat Racing, ASME

GPA: 4.0

SKILLS

Hardware: Microcontrollers, CNC Routing, 3D Printing, TIG Welding, Circuit Design, Soldering, Laser Cutting, Oscilloscope, ShopBot

Software: SolidWorks, Ansys, PrusaSlicer, MS Office, GSuite, Altium, MATLAB, AutoCAD, Python, C++, MATLAB, CAD, FEA, CFD

Interests: Rock climbing, Weightlifting, Volleyball, Spikeball, Cycling, Running, Hiking, Billiards, Photography, Videography, Pottery

EXPERIENCE

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Cambridge, MA

Teaching Assistant

Aug 2025 – Present

- Educated 24 students on the iterative design process while introducing Six Sigma quality concepts to improve process reliability
- Fostered a collaborative, inclusive classroom by coaching conflict resolution, and promoting effective decision-making strategies

AerospaceNU CubeSAT at Northeastern University

Boston, MA

Mechanical Engineer

Sep 2024 – Present

- Designed optical component casings for 1U CubeSAT, ensuring structural integrity under launch and orbital conditions using FEA
- Generated ASME Y14.5-compliant engineering drawings using GD&T principles for high tolerance fabrication and assembly
- Fabricated prototypes using FDM and SLA 3D printing, conducting F3 verification and risk analysis prior to final machining

AerospaceNU Rocket Team at Northeastern University

Boston, MA

Avionics Engineer

Sep 2024 – Present

- Developed software for reliable sensor data acquisition on flight computers by implementing signal processing and noise reduction
- Designed flight computer PCBs optimized for power distribution, EMI compliance, and thermal management using KiCAD

Material Engineering Research at Northeastern University

Boston, MA

Undergraduate Research Assistant

Sep 2024 – Present

- Operated volumetric DIW 3D printers, achieving micron-level precision for fine-feature, hierarchal microstructures
- Designed and fabricated 30+ experimental samples using photopolymer resins and polymers to assess material properties
- Showcased adhesive manufacturing research at Northeastern's RISE conference to industry experts among 300 presenters

Solar Splash Electric Boat Racing at University at Buffalo

Buffalo, NY

Electrical Engineering Subsystem Lead

Aug 2023 – May 2024

- Led 7 engineers in designing and integrating an electric boat power system, achieving full NESC safety standard compliance
- Directed testing and troubleshooting, while mentoring team members on best practices to ensure reliable power system operation
- Optimized power system architecture, reducing overall cost by \$7,000 through component selection reviews and design analyses

University Nanosatellite Program at University at Buffalo

Buffalo, NY

Guidance, Navigation, & Control Engineer

Aug 2023 – May 2024

- Developed MATLAB simulations for satellite missions, modeling orbital mechanics, attitude dynamics, and control responses
- Implemented Monte Carlo algorithms and Kalman filters to improve satellite state determination and reduce noise by 54%
- Authored interface control documents and led hardware trade studies on GN&C component viability for system integration

PROJECTS

GE1501 Cornerstone of Engineering at Northeastern University

Boston, MA

Horse Racing Tracking Collar

Oct 2024 – Dec 2024

- Designed and fabricated an ESP32-based collar using SolidWorks and FDM 3D printing, ensuring sensor stability and durability
- Implemented GPS and accelerometer integration, enabling accurate horse position and motion tracking with ± 1 m positional error
- Developed embedded C++ software for real-time Wi-Fi data transmission and data visualization through a custom PyQt5 GUI

EAS199 UB Seminar Engineering Principles at University at Buffalo

Buffalo, NY

Wind Turbine Project

Oct 2023 – Dec 2023

- Engineered power-efficient wind turbines, optimizing performance and energy conversion through iterative prototyping
- Achieved top 10 placement among student teams for highest power output through innovative blade design and system efficiency

NASA Techrise Student Challenge

Elmont, NY

Atmospheric Measurement of Noxious Gases Using Sensors (AMONGUS)

Nov 2021 – July 2022

- Conducted pre-launch testing in low-pressure chambers, improving payload reliability by 30% under high altitude conditions
- Fabricated and assembled payload components using CNC machining and laser cutting, ensuring structural integrity during flight