Ashlyn Lee

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EDUCATION

University of Toronto

Sep. 2025 - May 2030

Bachelor of Applied Science, Engineering Science

Toronto, ON

Experience

Student Researcher at UTIAS (Flight Systems + Control Lab)

May 2025 – Present

University of Toronto Institute for Aerospace Studies

Toronto, ON

- Collaborated with MSc Kevin Chen at UTIAS on advancing neural contraction metrics for quadrotor with slung payload
- Designed and implemented PyTorch models to certify stability via learned contraction metrics
- Derived Jacobians and stability proofs to extend contraction analysis to quadrotor-payload dynamics

Bishop Strachan Rocketry Team

Sep. 2023 - Aug 2025

The Bishop Strachan School

Toronto, ON

- Lead 14-member avionics subteam; engineered custom flight computers and pyrotechnic systems for two supersonic rockets competing at Launch Canada 2025
- Co-led telemetry (ground control) and established collaborations with university rocketry teams for SRAD avionics guidance
- Outsourced all hardware and lead rigorous prototyping process with documentation
- Team became the first high school team to compete at Launch Canada

Split Elements Boutique

Sep. 2023 – May 2024

Virtual

• Developed blockchain ticketing system features by streamlining backend API endpoints in Next.js and building front-end request interfaces in React + Tailwind

Eclipse Expositions

Oct. 2023 – Aug 2024

Hybrid

Waterloo, KW

• Collaborated and developed authentication and dashboard page for a 1000+ student conference platform using Next.js, TypeScript, and Tailwind

PROJECTS

Stochastic Neural Contraction Metrics Paper | PyTorch, Control Theory

June 2025 – Present

- Wrote a paper on an unguided learning approach to deriving contraction metrics for a stochastic pendulum system, to be extended to quadrotor dynamics
- \bullet Coded a neural network using PyTorch for metric formulation
- Coded a CCM loop utilizing the derived contraction metric to exponentially decrease stability curve

VRC Competition Robot | Fusion 360, C++

Sept 2021 – June 2026

- Captain of 5298C VRC Team, head programmer, designer and driver
- Lead 8-member team in designing and engineering an award-winning robot, qualified for provincials
- Modelled robot prototypes in Fusion360 prior to implementation

Personal Website | NextJS, Tailwind, PostgreSQL, HTML, CSS

May 2018 – May 2020

• Developed a personal website to showcase personal projects and updates

Technical Skills

Languages: Java, Python, C/C++, SQL (Postgres), JavaScript, HTML/CSS

Frameworks: Next, React, Node.js, Flask, JUnit, WordPress, Material-UI, FastAPI

Developer Tools: Git, Docker, Google Cloud Platform, VSCode, Visual Studio, PyCharm, Eclipse

Libraries: pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib, PyTorch