Caden R. Carlson

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EDUCATION

Wichita State University Wichita, KS

Pursuing Bachelor of Science degree in Aerospace Engineering (Minor in Mathematics)

Class of 2026

Awarded both the Gore and Wallace Scholarships for excellence in leadership and engineering

GPA: 3.83/4.00

 Relevant Coursework: Digital Computation (MATLAB), Flight Dynamics & Control, Flight Structures II, Aero Propulsion, Aerodynamics II, Differential Equations, Engineering Graphics (CATIA V5, GD&T)

EXPERIENCE

Carlson CAD Aurora, NE / Wichita, KS

Owner and Operator May 2019 – Present

- Utilized computer-aided design and additive manufacturing to serve clients across the United States
- Rapidly developed CAD drawings to fit client deadlines
- Created invoices and other administrative documents to organize my business

Experimental Methods Special Project

Wichita, KS

Project Lead

January 2025 – Present

- Led the development and testing of a rotating cylindrical leading edge to quantify the benefits of the magnus effect on finite wings
- Gained extensive experience in wind tunnel testing and aerodynamic research

Wichita State University Athletics Department

Wichita, KS

Tutor

August 2022 – Present

- Worked with peers as they built confidence in their classwork
- Classes tutored include Physics I & II, College Algebra, and Calculus I & II

Traudt Aerial Service Aurora, NE

Aircraft Ground Maintainer

May 2024 - August 2024

- Aided in 100-hour inspections, propeller balances, and general maintenance for piston and turboprop engines
- Maintained two workhorse AT-802s, two agile AT-602s, a powerful AT-502XP, and a small but mighty PA-36
- Excelled in the high pace, pit-stop-like environment of mixing and loading chemicals onto aircraft

Grain Weevil Corp. Omaha, NE

Engineering Intern

January 2022 – August 2023

- Led development of a proprietary depth camera using Microsoft drivers and C/C++
- Designed, produced, and evaluated prototypes of new robot features
- Pursued company goals in product testing, research, and development through FEA

LEADERSHIP & INVOLVEMENT

Wichita State University Track & Field

Wichita, KS

Student-Athlete (Pole Vault)

August 2022 – Present

- 2023 American Athletic Conference (AAC) Track and Field Champion
- Served as a voice for my teammates on the WSU Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC)
- Worked with peers across the country to better our conference as a member of the AAC SAAC executive board

SKILLS

Computer Programming: Proficient in Python, C/C++, and MATLAB – Experience in LabVIEW, JavaScript, and HTML CAD/Simulation Software: Proficient in CATIA V5 and Fusion 360 – Experience in Nastran, Creo, NX, and Ansys Simulation Software Tools: Proficient in Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel, and GitHub – Experience in Squarespace Domains Technical: Proficient in forklift operation, power tool use, and agricultural equipment maintenance