

# Christophe Foyer

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French and US citizenships; Eligible to work without restriction in the USA and EEA

## Summary:

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Mechanical Engineer with experience in projects related to aerospace, mechatronics and software development. Demonstrated track record of finding creative solutions to engineering challenges while operating under tight budgets.

- CAD, FEA and CFD
- Fabrication (metals, plastics, and composites)
- Electrical System Design
- Linux Server Management and Software Development

## Education:

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### Washington University in Saint Louis, United States

Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering; Minor in Energy Engineering

Aug 2014 – Dec 2017

3.14/4.00 GPA

- Dean's List (Fall 2014, Fall 2017)

### RWTH Aachen, Germany

'Renewable Energy Technology' | 'Mechatronics and Product Innovation'

Jun 2017 – Jul 2017

### School for International Training, Reykjavik, Iceland

Study abroad in Renewable Energy Engineering and Resource Economics

Jun 2015 – Aug 2015

### Lycée Sainte Marie, Caen, France

Série S (Science specialization)

Sep 2010 – Jul 2013

- French Baccalauréat: "Mention Bien" (with honors)

## Experience:

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### Wash. U. Design/Build/Fly Competition Team

Co-Founder and Systems Team Lead

Treasurer

Washington University in St. Louis, USA

Mar 2016 – Dec 2017

Aug 2016 – May 2017

- Co-led the team to 12<sup>th</sup> place out of 138 teams at the AIAA DBF 2017 competition, and 1<sup>st</sup> in the US Midwest
- Designed aircraft internal system including battery and motor selection with the systems team
- Managed an operating budget of \$10,000 to buy supplies and organize travel to the competition
- Scheduled weekly meetings with the team and set project deadlines

### American Society of Mechanical Engineers

Member

Event Planner

Washington University in St. Louis, USA

Jan 2016 – Dec 2017

Sep 2016 – May 2017

- Assisted ASME members with ongoing projects by advising them on manufacturing and component selection
- Researched potential STEM-related speakers to fit within budget constraint, presented reasons to fund Michio Kaku's visit to campus, and secured a date for his visit

### Domaine du Vivier

Seasonal farm hand

Le Mesnil Mauger, France

Jun 2015 – Aug 2017

- Maintenance and operation of farming equipment and various agricultural work
- Driver for the tossing of the hay and the loading of hay bales during the summer

## Academic Projects:

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### Senior Design Project – Low-Cost CPV

Aug 2017 – Dec 2017

Foyer, Christophe; Rangwala, Adam; and Nana, Deep, "Water Lenses for Low-Cost Concentrator Photovoltaics" (2017). Mechanical Engineering Design Project Class. (<https://openscholarship.wustl.edu/mems411/71/>)

- Coding of FEA and ray tracing software for optics simulation in MATLAB
- Development of a sunlight tracking circuit and coding using Arduino
- Creation of a working proof of concept prototype increasing solar cell output by 860%.

## Independent Projects:

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### Printable Folding Tricopter

Jan 2018 – Apr 2018

Design of a folding tricopter frame for FDM printing:

- Design of interlocking printable parts using Solidworks and Autodesk Netfab to be 3D-printed
- Designed to minimize weight and exterior volume while still allowing for payload such as cameras

### Motor Test Stand

Aug 2017 – Dec 2017

Design and construction of a motor test stand for Wash. U Design/Build/Fly:

- GUI development, serial communication protocol and sensor integration
- Coded in Python and Arduino C, packaged in .exe format for easy deployment to new Windows installations
- Measures motor-propeller-battery system RPM, current, voltage, and thrust and logs output to CSV

### Electric Longboard

Oct 2016 – Dec 2017

Design and construction of a custom built electric longboard for daily usage and international travel.

- CAD, FEA, and part fabrication in aluminum and FDM printing of plastic parts
- Electrical powertrain design including component selection balancing efficiency and cost
- Designed according to air travel and personal transportation regulations.

### Naïve Bayes Classifier

Jun 2016 – Aug 2016

Coding of a Naïve Bayes Classifier for financial forecasting using machine learning:

- Average accuracy of 67% on pima-indians-diabetes test dataset.
- Achieved an accuracy of 51.51% when tasked to forecast wheat price trends (low accuracy due to limitations with regards to dataset size; which is a different, ongoing project)

### IRIS Voice Recognition and Home Automation

Jan 2015 – May 2017

Custom-built smart home and media center system:

- Voice recognition using google API interfacing with connected microphones
- Coded in Python 2.7 on a Raspberry Pi running a Linux-based OS (added support for Windows and OSX)
- Control over house appliances (both wired and wirelessly) and interfacing with Open Source Media Center

### Robotics Test Platform

Dec 2013 – Jan 2015

Design, coding, and construction of an internet-controlled robot used for autonomous sensing and navigation testing:

- Coded in Python on Linux-based microcontrollers
- Frontend: webpage coding in HTML and UI design
- Backend: hardware interfacing and communication over WebSocket between the webserver and the local microcontroller.
- Experiments in visual odometry using OpenCV and ROS (ongoing)

## Volunteering Work:

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### ICC

Ishinomaki, Japan

*Volunteer*

May 2014

- Construction of two wooden terraces for the local community in a region devastated by the 2011 tsunami.

## Skills and Abilities:

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CAD / FEA / CFD:

SolidWorks, Autodesk Inventor, Autodesk Netfab, XFLR5

Programming Languages:

Matlab, Simulink, Python, Arduino C (C/C++), HTML

Fabrication:

3D-Printing (FDM), Machining (Lathe, Mill), Composite Manufacturing

Software:

Microsoft Office Suite, SVN, Windows, Linux

Languages:

Bilingual French / English  
Basic German and Icelandic