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Professional Summary:

A highly motivated and results-driven engineering student pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering looking to leverage 6 years of engineering software experience and teaching others into a boundary pushing experience during the summer of 2026.

Education:

Case Western Reserve University (CWRU) - Cleveland, OH

Expected Spring 2028

- Bachelor of Science in Engineering - Mechanical Engineering
 - Relevant Coursework: Thermodynamics, Statics and Strength of Materials, & Mechanical Manufacturing
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Experience:

Suspension Engineer at CWRU Motorsports

June 2025 - Present

- Designing the 2026 Baja SAE front lower suspension arm & tie rods, improving ride height, reducing weight, and serviceability.
- Utilizing Finite Element Analysis, validating multiple components within the front outboard assembly to withstand maximum moments and forces within a factor of safety to ensure components achieve design requirements.
- Aided in developing vehicle setups for different racing environments through adjustments to suspension and steering.

Test Engineer at CWRU Motorsports

September 2024 - Present

- Analyzed and designed an adapter to transmit ~500 ft lbs of torque to aid in CVT development.
- Designed a shroud for the CVT Dyno in Siemens NX to dissipate 20kW of heat and ensure safe operation during testing.
- Fabricated components by utilizing milling, turning, and metal bending to meet precise design specifications.

Teaching Assistant (EMAE 160 - Mechanical Manufacturing) at CWRU

August 2025 - Present

- Instructed students in manufacturing best practices, complete part definition, and design for the end-user.
- Taught 16 students an introduction to Solidworks part design, assemblies, and drawing best practices in preparation to take the certified Solidworks associate exam (CSWA).
- Graded ~180 manual sketching assignments, ensuring part dimensions were fully defined and projections were correctly drawn.

Research Assistant at Case Western Reserve University (WAKANDA Lab)

March 2025 - August 2025

- Partnered with graduate researchers to explore magnetoreception in animals, aiming to translate biological navigation strategies into tools for interplanetary exploration.
- Aided in developing a predictive model for satellite movement in extraterrestrial magnetic fields, incorporating generalizable planetary and orbital parameters.

President, Project Manager, & Lead Design at PVPHS VEX Robotics

August 2020- June 2024

- Designed twelve competition robots utilizing Onshape and Fusion 360 to design and implement team solutions.
 - Won five local and state awards, leading to three State Championship and two National Championship qualifications.
 - Oversaw a fourfold increase in annual funding, tripled team membership, and doubled the number of competition teams.
 - Organized an inaugural robotics event, raising \$8,000 and earning congressional recognition from Congressman Ted Lieu.
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Skills:

Design: Siemens NX | SolidWorks | Onshape | Fusion 360 | Ansys

Manufacturing: GD&T | Mill | Lathe | Waterjet | CNC Router | Laser Cutter | Drill Press | Band Saw | Tube Bender

Software Languages: MatLab | C++ | Java

Awards & Achievements:

SMERT Department Award Winner

May 2024

PVPHS VEX Engineering Excellence Award

March 2024