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EDUCATION

CORNELL UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

SIBLEY SCHOOL OF MECHANICAL AND AEROSPACE ENGINEERING

Candidate for Bachelor of Engineering in Mechanical Engineering

Ithaca, NY

Anticipated Graduation May 2028

WORK EXPERIENCE

TREK BIKES

Nashua, NH

Sales Associate

July 2022 – August 2025

- Generated \$300K in sales part-time by streamlining sales process and leveraging Excel for efficient customer outreach
- Trained coworkers in effective sales strategies to improve team performance and improve customer satisfaction

LEADERSHIP

SOCOM ATHLETE HELL DAY

Long Island, NY

Team Lead

Sept 2025 – October 2025

- Led a team of 10 future special operators in endurance and water confidence training
- Injury response protocols for Hell Day event, implemented risk management measures in response to multiple injuries
- Ranked in top five performers in athletic and mental toughness events among 40 athletes and active-duty personnel

CORNELL UNIVERSITY AIR FORCE RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS (ROTC)

Ithaca, NY

Contracted ROTC Cadet

Sept 2024 – Present

- Recipient of full tuition ROTC scholarship valued at \$500k
- Secretary of Cornell Special Operations Club organizing rucking, running and water confidence training
- Produce motivational videos to improve detachment morale and cohesion
- Mentor cadets on career and ROTC pathways; support alumni outreach initiatives
- Awarded East Hill Flying Club Discovery Flight on April 24, 2025, for outstanding performance in Air Force ROTC

RELEVANT ACTIVITIES

SOCOM IGNITE IRON NET

Ithaca, NY

Product Development, Data Collection, TAK Integration

Sept 2025 – Present

- Co-founded a UAS detection program addressing a lack of lightweight mobile tracking for operators in Ukraine
- Collaborated with ECE team to design Raspberry Pi-based system using directional microphones for beamforming
- Research on theoretical architecture for TAK integration to enable real-time situational awareness in field operations

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Programming: Python for data analysis and engineering, (MATLAB course in progress spring 2026)
- Acoustic Sensing: Experience with sensor integration and signal processing for UAS detection
- Experience working with Raspberry Pi based systems
- Data Analysis: Excel for modeling, visualization, and performance tracking
- Knowledge of signal processing: beamforming and data analysis

INTERESTS

COMPETITIVE ROAD AND MOUNTAIN BIKE RACING

NH

New England Youth Cycling and Cornell Cycling

March 2015-Present

- Competitor and coach for the Hillsborough Hawks, supporting practices, team development, and volunteer efforts
- 70 hours of volunteer service supporting the Nashua Community by repairing bicycles for underserved communities

COMPETITIVE BODYBUILDING AND POWERLIFTING

NH

OCB Shamrock Cup Classic

March 2015-Present

- Top three in a bodybuilding competition and total for squat, bench, and deadlift: 1,100 lbs