

# James Adam Buckland

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## EDUCATION

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B.S. Mechanical Engineering GPA 3.38  
*University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC), Illinois, U.S.* *Fall '12 — Spring '16*

- *key courses:* Control Systems, Robotics, Fluid Dynamics, Dynamical Systems, Mechanical Design

*KTH Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm, Sweden* *Winter '14 — Summer '15*

- *key courses:* Renewable Energy Technology, Computational Methods in Energy, Modeling of Energy Systems

## WORK/RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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**Stockholm Summer Arctic Program**, Div. of Hist. Science, Tech., and Environment, KTH *Summer '15*

- Five-week engineering and environmental science fieldwork and research term in Norrbotten, Sweden
- Researched technological, environmental, social impact of industrialization surrounding iron ore mining industry

**Cognitive Computation Group**, Department of Computer Science at Illinois *Summer — Fall '14*

- Rewrote server backend, redesigned web frontend; improved demo performance and backend maintainability
- Refactored project and codebase documentation; wrote linguistics data visualization demos

**Continuous Casting Consortium**, Department of Mechanical Engineering at Illinois *Summer '13*

- Performed feasibility study on rewrite of software for the numerical simulation of continuous steel casting
- Created dependency charts / refactoring guides for FORTRAN to C software rewrite

**Hayden Planetarium**, American Museum of Natural History, NY *Fall '10 — Summer '12*

- Wrote computational fluid model with numerical methods, performed astrochemistry research
- Wrote and maintained software pipeline for 3D landscape assembly from JPL database

## PROJECTS

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**Arduino Programming**, Design for Manufacturability (at Illinois) *Fall 2015*

- Programmed Arduino controller for 'walking' alarm clock; designed circuits and mechanical walking linkages

**Energy Utilization Optimization**, Modelling of Energy Systems (at KTH) *May 2015*

- Created CAD model of campus building; simulated HVAC, airflow, energy usage to produce cost-benefit analysis

**Wind Flow Modelling**, Numerical Methods (at KTH) *Apr 2015*

- Simulated wind from historical climate + building geometry data w/ CFD; optimized wind turbine placement

## EXTRACURRICULARS

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**Walk-in Tutoring Program Leader**, Center for Academic Resources in Engineering *Summer '14 — Present*

- Ran walk-in tutoring and weekly study halls for undergraduate STEM courses; conducted resume reviews

**Middle School Design Competition Committee**, Engineering Open House *Fall 2015 — Present*  
**Scandinavian Club**, Social Outreach Chair *Fall 2015 — Present*  
**Physics Society**, Physics Van *Fall '13 — Spring '14*

- Performed educational physics-based demos in rural Illinois; led performance at Engineering Open House

**The Ill Harmonic**, Men's A Cappella *Fall '12 — Spring '14*

- Founder and lead arranger; led weekly rehearsals and vocal training workshops; scheduled performances

## HONORS

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R. M. Stephens Engineering Scholarship ('15), Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship ('14), William R. Miller & Martha L. Behr-Miller Scholarship ('14), Illinois for Illinois "I4I" Scholarship ('14), James Scholars Honors ('13)

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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*Languages:* Python (numpy, scipy, matplotlib), C, C++, FORTRAN, Java  
*Software:* DesignBuilder, STAR-CCM+, assorted CAD (Creo, Wildfire), aPriori, MATLAB/Mathematica, LaTeX  
*Web:* HTML/CSS, Javascript (Backbone, Parse, Angular), PHP, MySQL