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Dear Apple hiring manager,

Your Technology Investigation Product Design Internship posting found on the Georgia Tech CareerBuzz website interests me. A background on extra-curricular competition teams has given me extensive experience in 3D CAD, design for manufacture, and rapid prototyping, which would allow me to make meaningful contributions on your product design team.

I taught myself to use Dassault Solidworks as a seventh grader on a high school FIRST robotics team that had never used CAD before. Over the next six years, I improved my ability to rapidly ideate and design for ease of manufacture. Working with professional machine shops honed my ability to create unambiguous engineering drawings while the short, six-week build period taught me efficient design. In particular, I became particularly adept in both designing for and manufacturing with our in-house manual mill, manual lathe, and Haas CNC router. By my senior year, each night I would design a prototype to solve a problem or test an idea, begin manufacturing on our CNC router at the next team meeting, and have a functioning concept by the meeting's conclusion. My skills would be invaluable to your team, where I could help create easy-to-manufature proofs of concept.

My work at Georgia Tech has cemented my desire to use engineering principles to solve challenging problems. After I took Dynamics and Numerical Methods at GT, I wrote robotic path planning and motion control algorithms for autonomous robots. In the past year, I lead a team of six students in designing and manufacturing a three pound battlebot. The team extensively used FEA to optimize the chassis and weapon performance for their weight. I believe I would thrive on your collaborative, multi-disciplinary team where I would be challenged on a daily basis.

Attached you will find my resume; it contains further descriptions of my work on Georgia Tech's FSAE and robotics teams and my high school robotics team. I would be happy to answer further questions by email at michael.bick@gatech.edu.

Sincerely,

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EDUCATION

Aug 2016 - Present Mechanical Engineering Major, Robotics Minor | GPA 3.58/4.0

Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA

Dean's List

2nd Year Junior, Expected Graduation June 2020

ACADEMIC PROJECTS

Aug 2016- Present

GT Motorsports | Powertrain Team Member

- Simulating engine dynamics with the eventual goal of increasing efficiency and low-end torque by lowering power-band
- Designing and manufacturing improved camshaft to match optimal lift profile

Aug 2016- Present

RoboJackets Team Member

- Lead design of a 3lb combat robot including CAD, chassis analysis, and weapon optimization
- Manufactured robotic components using precision machinery including CNC mills, lathes, and waterjets
- Created autonomous path planning and motion profile algorithm using Matlab

Aug 2011- Jun 2016

MilkenKnights FRC Team | TEAM CAPTAIN

- Managed the 6-week design and construction of a robot, including rapid prototyping, CAD, manufacturing, and control dynamics
- Created top-down Solidworks models of transmissions, gearboxes, and complex linkages
- Implemented position PID, velocity PID, vision tracking, motion profiles, and path following
- Trained students in CAD and operating precision machinery including a mill, lathe, and CNC router

SEPT 2014- Jun 2016

ASCE Bridge Building Team | TEAM CAPTAIN

- Constructed a three foot, one pound popsicle stick bridge that withstood over 950 pounds of force
- Used FEA and deformable body analysis to validate design

Sept 2014- Jun 2015

Conrad Spirit of Innovation | Programming/Electrical Lead

- Designed for a belt than warned the visually-impaired of threatening obstacles
- Wired and programmed a LIDAR tracking system using an Arduino microcontroller

TECHNICAL SKILLS

CAD Solidworks(7 years), Autodesk Inventor(8 years), Top-down Design, Parametric Design, Surface Modeling, 2D Engineering Drawings

Manufacturing Haas CNC, Manual Mill, Manual Lathe, Laser Cutter, Waterjet, 3D Printer

Programming MatLab, Java, Python, HTML, CSS, SASS, Android, LATEX

Microcontrollers Arduino, NI myRio/roboRio(LabView)

Software Vim, Adobe Illustrator, Word, Excel

Awards & Honors

Nov 2017	$7^{\rm th}/60$	Georgia Tech ME2110 Design Competition
Apr 2016	$2^{\rm nd}/42$	FIRST Robotics Orange County Regional
Mar 2015	$3^{\rm rd}/41$	FIRST Robotics Ventura Regional
Mar 2015	$3^{\rm rd}/53$	FIRST Robotics Utah Regional
Oct 2014	International	Conrad Spirit of Innovation Semi-Finalist
Mar 2013	$1^{\rm st}/65$	FIRST Robotics Los Angeles Regional