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# **EDUCATION**

Electrical Engineering MS SUNY UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO

Completion: 05/2024 Completion: 05/2025 DEANS LIST 2020-2023

GPA: 3.99/4.0 Course Credits: 115 Tau Beta Pi E-Board: Inducted Dec 3 2022

#### **COURSEWORK & SKILLS**

- EE202, EE205, EE310, EE311: Circuit Analysis
- EE383, EE476: Signals and Communications
- EE178, EE376, EE478: Firmware programming FPGA Hardware Description in VHDL
- 3D Modeling/ CAD Design, Circuit Design
- Embedded Systems Research Experience
- Office Programs, MATLAB, Python, C++

#### **ACTIVITIES**

- Principal Trumpet in East Wind Ensemble & Jazz ensemble 4+ years & still playing pro in ASO, UBSO, Musicals, Churches, and the American Legion Band
- Local Buffalo Taps player for Veterans Ceremonies
- Williamsville East Varsity, Lockport Club Volleyball
  +6 years; Section VI Scholar Athlete.
- Fine woodworking, carpentry, and soldering
- Workshop machines and manufacturing

# HONORS AND AWARDS

- Patent and Design Award for 2020 Turbine Project utilizing +100 experiments on airflow and physics analysis
- New York State Comptroller Achievement and 2020 Presidential Outstanding Academic Excellence Awards
- Member of NHS; National Honors Society and recipient of 4-year Pride of NY Scholarship
- School board award for Outstanding Musical Composition skills with *pieces being performed live* on 11/06/2022 by the American Legion Band: Post 264. Active professional musician to date.
- NYSSMA Composition Conference first place holder for 3 consecutive years and awardee of the 2020 Music Family Scholarship for Musical Leadership
- Current member of Engineering Honor Society Tau Beta Pi and the National Society of Leadership and Success

# **EXPERIENCE**

**Research Publication 2022 NSF:** "Prototype of Interactive Digital Twin in Cyber Manufacturing" Research REU. Published: 2022 ACM Conference in Boston. The first undergrad team to win the 2022 Russel Agrusa award.

TAPECON Inc 2022-23: Designing the pioneer line of Flexible Hybrid Electronics. Universal Instruments programming

Fisher-Price Mattel Inc 2023-24: Troubleshooting toy electronics and designing new hardware for data logging

**Volunteer Work:** I often volunteer at churches and public centers, helping with food drives, library work, and providing musical entertainment with my twin brother Marcus. I last year also volunteered a kid's summer camp.

**Taps:** Performing Taps for veterans is something truly special. I do it free for those in need. As a civilian it is an honor and privilege to give our countries brave American men and women of service the proper last tribute they deserve.

**Personal Projects**: 3D Printing, Backup Cameras, Arduino, general electrician work, welding, gas, tree felling, lawn care, carpentry, plumbing, *emergency flood provision*, interior/exterior design, remodeling, and Concrete work.

**ACM Mentor:** Mentors new UB students on how to start a personal project and how to approach your professors.

# **PROJECTS**

<u>Inter-Disciplinary Team of 4:</u> Team Name: "Code Red" Two Electrical Engineers, and Two Computer Scientists: We have worked together for years to bring CS & EE concepts into practical use with engineering techniques.

Members: Alexander Francisco EE, Marcus Francisco EE, Aditya Pandya CS, Matthew Rubino CS.

- -All Hackathons were projects completed in less than 24 hours by our team of 4 & presented to a board.
- -Our first competitive win together was placing 1<sup>st</sup> during our first semester freshmen year at UB.

**1**<sup>st</sup> **Place: 2020 & 2022 UB Major League Hacking:** \$2,000 grand prize. A new take on home fire prevention and security. Bridging the gap between software and the real world in 24 hours provided unique engineering challenges.

<u>Competed Pinnacle 2020:</u> The world's first "Hacking Olympics". The team was flown out to Dallas TX. My individual design project at *Pinnacle* was awarded 1<sup>st</sup> prize in LulzBot®'s best 3D/CAD Design competition.

Bottle Recycler Project: 2022 award-winning project that recycles plastic bottles into useable 3D printer filament.

1st Place Williamsville Tech Wars: 2018-2020 winning 3D modeling, CO2 Car Design, and Problem Solving.