Mario Ferre

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Education

University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

Aug 2019 - May 2023 (Expected)

B.S.E. in Mechanical Engineering and Applied Mechanics.

Minors in Computer Science and Mathematics. Cumulative GPA: 3.7 / 4.0.

Silvestri Scientific High School, Portici, Italy

Sep 2014 - Aug 2019

Applied Sciences Curriculum, Graduation Grade: 100 cum laude (4.0 GPA).

Experience

Aerodynamics and Suspension Team Engineer

Sep 2019 -Present

Penn Electric Racing — Formula SAE

- Fabricated multi-element front, rear, and side wings for a formula racecar, with carbon fiber vacuum resin infusion, achieving a coefficient of lift of -3.3 at 60 mph.
- Overhauled the suspension subsystem by establishing SolidWorks resources and Adams Car simulation templates.
- Developed a SolidWorks surface-modeled carbon fiber steering wheel, reducing steering effort by 20%.

Teaching Assistant — Introduction to Mechanical Design

Aug 2020 - Present

Penn Engineering — University of Pennsylvania

- Introduced engineering students to CAD, mechanical design principles, rapid prototyping, and basic manufacturing.
- Trained students on the proper use of laser cutters (MDF, Acrylic, Foam) 3D printers (ABS, PLA), and power tools.

Mechanical Design & Analysis Intern

Jul 2020 - Aug 2020

Santobono Innovation

- Remodeled a ABS 3D-printed orthopedic cast, achieving a 30% reduction of the overall stress experienced by the cast under normal use, while increasing the weight only by 5%.
- Standardized the cast model eliminating the need for time-consuming 3D scans during the coronavirus pandemic.
- Optimized the 3D-printing process to achieve the maximum possible stiffness out of high performance ABS.

Assembly Team Member

Jan 2017 - Feb 2019

Italian Space Agency — Multitrop Project

- Assembled a space farming experiment unit sent on the ISS, compiling the assembly procedures with a team of mechanical and electrical engineers from the Italian Space Agency, ESA, and Kayser Italia.
- Presented the project's findings in seminars organized by the Italian Space Agency, attended by over 300 students.

Honors and Awards

Penn World Scholar — University of Pennsylvania

Chosen from over 700 international students to represent Penn's intercultural leadership and talent, by participating and presenting in a series of career development seminars, leadership workshops, and guest conferences aimed to cultivate team management potential.

Youth on the ISS Competition Winner — Italian Space Agency

Winner of the Youth on the ISS competition set up by the Italian Space Agency in 2017 to recognize student teams with innovative space experiments. The Multitrop Project experiment unit was chosen from over 15 university student teams because of its cost-efficient design.

Skills and Interests

Software: SolidWorks, Ansys, MSC Adams Car, Star CCM+, HTML, Arduino, C, Excel, Fusion 360, Java, MATLAB, Python.

Hardware: 3D Printing (ABS, Acrylic, Aluminium, PLA), Carbon Fiber Layups, Laser Cutting (MDF, PVA), Power Tools.

Other Interests: Reading (Feynman, Petroski, Norman, Gordon), Modern And Contemporary Art (Conceptualism, Futurism, Deconstructivism), Cooking and Nutrition, Fencing, Guitar, Public Speaking, Hiking.

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