

# MICHAEL ZAUGG

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## Education

### **Bachelor of Science, Computer Engineering**

Brigham Young University – Idaho

GPA: 3.71

Dec 2026 (Expected)

Rexburg, ID

## Projects

### **Reversed Engineered Controller (Personal Project)**

Oct. 2024 – Present

*Project Leader*

<https://github.com/MichaelZaugg/OpenSteamController-Continued/releases>

- Led a 7-member open-source project team, helping peers in PCB design & analysis.
- Performed schematic capture, electrical rules validation, and board layout using KiCad design software.
- De-soldered 100+ passives, ICs, and connectors using a soldering iron and air gun.
- Measured component values using an LCR meter and Digital Multimeter.
- Applied knowledge learned in circuit analysis and low-level programming.
- Referenced datasheets for part sourcing and compatibility.
- Designed and prototyped custom FFC replacement cables for trackpads & haptics.
- Designed & 3D printed internal housing components with OnShape CAD design software.

### **Artillery System Project (Embedded Systems Course)**

Sept 2025

*Semester Long Group Project*

- Programmed stepper motor drivers for the STM32 in C programming language for turret rotation and firing.
- Worked with a team of 4 people to implement physics calculations, time of flight sensors, and firing mechanism.
- Implemented concurrent FreeRTOS tasks for target acquisition, firing control, and user input.
- Helped design and model the turret mounting system using OnShape CAD.

### **Robotics Team Projects (Robotics Course)**

July 2025

*Team Leader*

- Led a small team to complete various challenges regarding robotics and engineering.
- Programmed a weather station using an Arduino that displays temperature, humidity, and wind.
- Designed and built an automated driving robot with Arduino and off the shelf components.

## Skills

**Equipment:** Oscilloscope, Digital Multimeter, LCR Meter, Function Generator

**Electronics:** Arduino, STM32, Op-Amps, BJTs, ADCs, Linux

**Programming:** C, C++, C#, Python, System Verilog, FreeRTOS

**Software:** KiCad, LTSpice, Logisim, Visual Studio Code, Microsoft Office, Altium

**Other:** Student Pilot, Eagle Scout

## **Other Notable Projects:**

- Repurposed UAV's for Civil Air Patrol – *Team Project*
- Improvised Night Vision Using FPV Goggles – *Personal Project*
- Small Form Factor Smart Watch Using Arduino – *Personal Project*
- Developed a Mod Managing Application Using Python – *Personal Project*

## **References**

Colin Farrier 503-812-7694  
*Associate Systems Test Engineer – Northrop Grumman*

Luke Stahle 319-721-5104  
*Manufacturing Manager – Tillamook Creamery*

## **Brief Work History**

<b>Fundamental Digital Systems TA</b> Brigham Young University - Idaho	Sept 2025 – Dec 2025 Rexburg, ID
<b>Early Morning Custodian – Shift Lead</b> Brigham Young University - Idaho	Sept 2023 – July 2025 Rexburg, ID
<b>Ice Cream Operator</b> Tillamook County Creamery Association	Jan 2023 – August 2024 Tillamook, OR