## **Nathan Houck**

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**EDUCATION** Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

**Bachelor of Science, Aerospace Engineering** 

Area of Concentration: Astronautics

Dean's List, Fall 2023, Spring 2024

Honor Roll, Fall 2024

August 2024-Present

Daytona Beach, FL

May 2027

GPA: 3.76/4.0

#### **PROJECT EXPERIENCE**

#### **Autonomous Maritime Robotics Association - Robosub:** Heat Transfer Team Lead

- o Implementing a solution for electronics cooling within the submarine to reduce internal temperature by over 60°F.
- Investigating heat pipes and thermoelectric cooling.

### Mechanical Engineering Team

- Worked with a team of 4 to design, prototype, and manufacture an improved thruster mount.
- Reduced lateral movement to increase reliability and lifespan.
- Designed and modeled a torpedo launching system that launches the torpedoes when the proper target is identified.
- Prototyped a bin that will release weighted bags over a designated drop zone, utilizing torsion springs and servo motors.
  - Created a waterproof servo housing for a DS3225 servo motor utilizing O-Rings and a dvnamic shaft seal.

#### CATIA Project: Member of a team of 4

- Created a model of a Swiss Army Knife by taking measurements in real life.
- Utilized many modeling functions in CATIA including generative design tools and assembly.

#### MATLAB Project - Simulation: Individual Assignment

- Developed a program in MATLAB simulating a civilization based on customizable parameters.
- Utilized class structures, reading, and writing data from Excel files, genetic algorithms, and plotting data.

#### Java Project – 3D Raycaster: Individual Assignment

- Developed a 3D Raycasting engine in Java utilizing the AWT and Swing frameworks.
- Heavy use of trigonometric functions, hash maps, and classes.
- Implemented a recursive-backtracking maze generator to randomly generate a level each time the program runs.

# LEADERSHIP/

Member, Autonomous Maritime Robotics Association, Fall 2024 - Present

**INVOLVEMENT** Flight Student, Summer 2024-Present

- Risk management and avoidance
- Effective communication and situational awareness
- Problem solving and remaining calm under pressure

Member, National German Honor Society, Fall 2022-Spring 2023

Volunteer, Event Supervisor, Science Olympiad Regionals, Fall 2019 - Present

**SKILLS** 

Engineering Software: CATIA v.5, Autodesk Fusion, MatLab, Python, Java, C/C++ (Basic)

Office Software: Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Publisher, Teams

Technical: Drafting, 3-D printing

English (fluent), German (basic) Languages:

Open Water Scuba Diver (Nitrox Certified), AED/CPR Certified, Certifications:

First Aid Certified

Hobbies and Interests: Aviation, Guitar, Alto Saxophone, Scuba Diving, Fossils

#### **WORK EXPERIENCE** Customer Service Associate, Wawa Inc.

Glen Mills, PA Jul. 2022 - Aug. 2023

• Wawa, Inc. Customer Service Award – Day Brightener, April 2023

- Worked in fast-paced environment on a strict schedule to serve over 500 people in one shift
- Handled day-to-day operations of the store, including the sales floor, deli area, and the cash register
- Trained new sales associates on customer service skills and company policies