# Nathaniel Comeau

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# **Employment**

#### **Research Chemist**

### **SeaStar Chemicals**

**May 2016 – January 2017** 

- Automated simulation screening process to improve processing times by 300%.
- Discovered two new materials for Atomic Layer Deposition Processes resulting in two pending patents.

## **Outreach Assistant**

# **University of Victoria**

Dec 2016 - May 2017

- Hosted observatory open houses for the general public.
- Created a library of promotional images with UVic's 32" telescope.

# **Research Assistant**

# University of Victoria

**Fall 2001 – Spring 2005** 

- Assisted in parametrizing the dielectric response of Titanium Dioxide nano-composites.
- Implemented bash shell scripts to submit parallel simulations to ComputeCanada Unix clusters.
- Processed simulation results on RHEL/CentOS workstations.
- Improved precision of matlab signal processing algorithm by 25%.

### Barista, Barista Trainer

#### **Starbucks Coffee**

Fall 2015 - Fall 2016

• Promoted to Barista Trainer to train new staff.

### **Education**

### Victoria, BC

### **University of Victoria**

**Fall 2015 – Spring 2019** 

- B.Sc. in Physics & Computer Science with Minor in Mechanical Systems, in progress. GPA: 3.5.
- Undergraduate Coursework: Fundamentals Chemistry, Physics, Biology, Astronomy. Calc I-IV. Classical and Quantum Mechanics, Thermodynamics, Matrix and Linear Algebra.

# **Technical & Volunteer Experience**

# **Projects**

github.com/Nat1405

- **Avogadro Open Source Molecular Editor** (2017). Free 3D molecular editor where users can draw and optimize molecules and prepare input for computational chemistry programs. C++, Python.
- Band Website, Tortue (2016). Implemented a website for the band Tortue. HTML5, CSS, Django

# Volunteering

- **Electronics Tutor** (2016–2017). Taught four students soldering and fundamentals of analogue systems. Implemented autonomous Quadcopter flight using Arduino Uno, Raspberry Pi and Swift.
- **Reading Tutor** (2015). Guided one 2<sup>nd</sup> grade student in reading for five months.
- Pilot, Air Cadets (2014–2015). Brought 217 youth flying for their first flights in a Glider.

## **Additional Experience and Awards**

- **NSERC Experience Award** (Summer 2016): Simulated properties of gas-phase Atomic Layer Deposition Precursors.
- Scholarships, Canadian Air Cadets (Summer 2013): Private Pilot's License and International Exchange to Australia.

### **Languages and Technologies**

- C; C++ (experience); Java; Python; Swift (experience); Matlab; HTML5; Bash.
- Debian & RedHat/CentOS Linux; WestGrid & ComputeCanada Clusters; Eclipse; XCode.
- Gaussian 09; Siesta; Orca; Quantum Espresso.