

# Nikunj Kumar Thakkar

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## EDUCATION

### **Bachelor of Science in Aerospace Engineering**

University at Buffalo

**GPA: 3.36/4.0 (1<sup>st</sup> Sem)**

August 2016 - Present

A four-year, 128-credit, full-time degree with required classes in Engineering Computations, Engineering Drawing, Thermodynamics, Mechanics of Solids and Fluid Mechanics.

### **High School**

Jai Ambe Vidyalaya

**Percentile Rank: 85.33**

June 2013 - May 2015

High School Diploma from Gujarat Secondary and Higher Secondary Education Board, India

## EXPERIENCE

### **Aum Shiv Shakti Caterers**

Vadodara, Gujarat, India

(Family owned event management and catering firm with 15 years of experience)

*Assistant manager*

June 2015 – July 2016

- Primary responsibilities included planning, management and supervision of events and ceremonies.
- Helped develop a city-wide network by employing marketing strategies that enabled an increase in the business volume

## ACADEMIC HONORS

- Recipient of University at Buffalo's International Admission Scholarship August 2016 - Present

## SKILLS

- Well versed in MATLAB, AutoCAD, HTML and CSS
- Proficiency in using Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint)
- Proficiency in three languages: English, Hindi and Gujarati
- Critical Thinking, Problem Solving and Teamwork

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS/ACTIVITIES

- The American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics October 2016 - Present
- Students for Exploration and Development of Space October 2016 - Present
- SEDS SpaceVision 2016 November 2016
- [S]Laughter: Echoes of Humor and Horror: Organized by Dr. David Brown November 2016

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

### **Westminster SIE, Buffalo, NY**

October 2016 - Present

- Responsible for teaching elementary school students various concepts in science.

## INTERESTS

- Sports: Cricket, Soccer and Baseball.
- Listening to Music, Travelling, Hiking, Watching Sci-Fi Films and Reading Autobiographies.