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Summary

Paul Horton is a Barrett Honors student pursuing dual undergraduate degrees in Software Engineering and Applied Physics at Arizona State University. He is also pursuing a masters degree in Software Engineering through a 4+1. With his degrees he intends enter a doctorate program in Computational Physics and conduct research in the fields of Astrophysics and Quantum Computing.

Education

M.S., B.S. Software Engineering, Arizona State University - Polytechnic Campus, Mesa, AZ
Ira A. Fulton Schools of Engineering
Anticipated Graduation: May 2018 (B.S), May 2019 (M.S)
Major GPA: 4.06 Dean's List: Every Semester

B.S. Applied Physics, Arizona State University - Polytechnic Campus, Mesa, AZ
College of Integrative Sciences and Arts
Anticipated Graduation: May 2018
Major GPA: 4.01 Dean's List: Every Semester

Honors College, Arizona State University - Polytechnic Campus, Mesa, AZ
Barrett, the Honors College

Highlights [click for more info](#)

- Developing a quantum key generator to study quantum cryptography for an honors thesis.
- Researching teams in short-form programming competitions to improve engineering education.
- Leading software development for a solar powered educational library to help South Pacific schools.
- Coordinating the logistics of a large-scale collegiate programming competition at ASU.

Skills [in order of proficiency](#)

Programming Languages

- Python
- Java
- C++
- L^AT_EX
- C
- JavaScript
- Assembly
- node.js
- Verilog
- Prolog
- HTML/CSS

Software

- Adobe CC
- Microsoft Office
- Eclipse
- MATLAB
- Amazon Web Services
- Unity
- Xilinx ISE

Relevant Coursework

Physics

- Vector Mechanics
- Statistics
- Quantum Mechanics
- Mathematical Methods

Software

- Software Systems
- Embedded Systems
- Data Structures and Algorithms
- Systems Design

Experiences

Work

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| Self-Employed Tutoring, Mesa, AZ
Private Physics Tutor | October 2016 - Present |
| Maker Research Group, ASU
Research Assistant and Data Collector | January 2016 - Present |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undertaking in qualatative data collection of makers at maker faires through surveys and interviews in order to better understand how makers relate to engineering education. | |
| Barrett, the Honors College, ASU
Teaching Assistant and Writing Tutor for Freshman Honors Reading Course | August 2015 - December 2016 |
| Ethical Responsibility Among Undergraduate Engineering Students, Purdue
Research Assistant and Data Collector | August 2015 - May 2016 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborated with Purdue at ASU to research engineering students and their view of ethics and their ethical considerations. | |
| STEAM (Science Technology Engineering Art Math) Labs, ASU
K-12 Engineering Education Outreach and Tinkerer | August 2014 - May 2016 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worked with interdisciplinary engineering undergraduates to teach K12 students the engineering design process through creative chain-reaction machines. | |

Extracurricular Projects

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| Astronomical Instrumentation Lab, ASU
Research Assistant and FPGA Programmer | January 2017 - Present |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Programming ROACH board's firmware to study the formation of stars and it's relation to magnetic fields. • Continuing the work of a previous student to increase the resolution of instruments for astronomical optical interferometry. | |
| Fulton Undergraduate Research Initiate, ASU
Mentor Guided Researcher | August 2016 - Present |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analyzing the effectiveness of teams in short-form programming competitions and how their collaboration methods can bring value to the classroom setting. | |
| Desert Hacks, ASU
Student Organizer | June 2016 - Present |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organize a large scale 24 hour programming competition by helping coordinate the logistics and sponsorship of the event. | |

Extracurricular Groups and Scholarships

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| Barrett Polytechnic Writing Colloquium | August 2015 - Present |
| Computer Science Club at ASU Polytechnic | January 2015 - Present |
| Broadening the Reach of Engineering Through Computer Science Scholar | August 2014 - Present |

Coursework Projects

All course projects were accomplished at Arizona State University unless otherwise noted.

Projects noted with a * indicate that the project was conducted in parallel with the class in order to earn Honors credit.

SolarSPELL (Solar Powered Educational Learning Library)	Fall 2016 - Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Redesigning the front and back end of a portable offline database of documents and videos useful for educators of developing nations in the South Pacific. 	
Fourier Series Programs in Python	Spring 2016
Graphing Mechanical Systems using MATLAB*	Fall 2015
Simulation of Parking Structure and Streets in Shibuya using Unity, ASU and Waseda	Summer 2015
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explored urban areas of Tokyo for the purpose of visualization and simulation of population and vehicular traffic. 	
Educational Math Adventure Game in Java*	Spring 2015
Phoenix Zoo Audio Exhibit Remodel using Raspberry Pi*	Fall 2014 - Spring 2015
Mathematical Analysis of Massé Shots in Billiards*	Fall 2014

Personal Projects

Independent Projects

IBM Quantum Experience	January 2017 - Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Independently teaching self quantum computing using IBM's public quantum computer. 	

Hackathon Projects

SDHacks, University of California San Diego	August 2016
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developed an Amazon Echo skill that acts as a recipe assistant using Node.js. 	
SBHacks, University of California Santa Barbara	April 2016
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Used IBM's Bluemix and Node-RED to create a smart weight sensor that gave updates on household items. 	
Beach Hacks, California State University Long Beach	April 2016
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Created a numerical solving app with image recognition using OpenCV. 	
HackArizona, University of Arizona	January 2016
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Created a VR Engineering Education and teambuilding app using Google Cardboard. 	

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