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## EDUCATION

California State University, Chico — Chico, CA

Aug 2018 – May 2021

**Bachelor of Science in Mechatronic Engineering, Minor in Computer Engineering**

GPA: 3.822

Shasta College — Redding, CA

Jun 2016 – May 2018

**Associate of Arts in University Studies: Engineering**

GPA: 3.838

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## EXPERIENCE

**Quality Assurance Engineer** at *EMCORE* — Concord, CA

May 2021 – Present

- Performed Failure Analysis for all returned products to address customer complaints and requests
- Conducted a variety of experiments to investigate root cause of product issues and possible corrective actions
- Synthesized experiment data for presentation of test results to colleagues and customers
- Composed qualification design reports to validate that new products will meet published specifications

**Electrical Engineering Intern** at *Sierra Pacific Industries* — Anderson, CA

Jun 2019 – Aug 2019

• Repaired and maintained laser scanners to optimize lumber cuts

May 2020 – Aug 2020

- Improved PCB designs to extend operating life of laser scanners
- Utilized Adafruit microcontroller and INA219 current monitors to observe laser current in scanners
- Generated program in C to toggle power of lasers and prevent them from pulling too much current
- Built UL listed electrical panels and consoles used to control systems throughout the company's sawmills
- Programmed in PLC ladder logic using Rockwell Studio 5000

**Electrical and Computer Engineering Tutor** at *CSU, Chico* — Chico, CA

Jan 2020 – May 2020

- Tutored college students both in person and via Zoom for computer and electrical engineering coursework

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## PROJECTS

**MockStocks Web App**

Apr 2023

- Built stock investing simulator using Python, Flask, Jinja, SQLite3, HTML, and CSS

**Automated RTV Silicone Dispensing Project** at *EMCORE*

Aug 2022 – Mar 2023

- Developed automated process to replace manual process of silicone dispensing in production
- Modified, designed, and tested new tooling for automated process using SOLIDWORKS and SLA 3D printer

**Leader of Six Sigma Project** at *EMCORE*

Oct 2021 – Aug 2022

- Investigated root cause of failure mode for company's highest volume sensor to reduce scrap by 50%
- Performed series of tests using NI USB-4431 I/O, Zurich HF2LI Lock-in Amplifier, and MATLAB for DAQ
- Collaborated with team weekly to discuss experiments attempting to explain and mitigate failure mechanism

**Project Manager of Automated Material Transfer Project** at *CSU, Chico* — Chico, CA

Sep 2020 – May 2021

- Scripted GUI in Visual Studio Code for signal/call system using Python, SQLite3, PyQt5 and Qt Designer
- Established simulation in virtual machine for Warthog UGV using Gazebo, RViz, and ROS Kinetic packages
- Created ROS publisher and subscriber that navigated robot to specific x and y coordinates in Gazebo simulation
- Motivated group members to collaborate and meet project deadlines stated on project Gantt Chart
- Gave multiple presentations to describe project design and how it would satisfy the sponsor's requirements

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## SKILLS

- Python, SQL, C, HTML, JavaScript, CSS, Flask, Jinja
- MATLAB, C++, Assembly Language, RobotC
- GitHub, Visual Studio Code, PyQt5, Qt Designer
- ROS Kinetic, RViz, Gazebo, RoboDK, CoppeliaSim
- Microsoft Office, Google Workspace and Colab
- (LT/P)Spice, Electrical Panel and Circuit Design
- Certified SOLIDWORKS Associate
- Ladder Logic Programming, Rockwell Studio 5000

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## MEMBERSHIPS, CLUBS, & COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Webmaster of HKN, Iota Zeta Chapter 2019 - 2021
- Member of HKN, Iota Zeta Chapter 2019 - 2021
- Honor Society member since 2017
- Friday Night Live Peer Mentor Nov 2015 - Mar 2016
- VEX Robotics Judge in 2019, 2020, and 2022
- VEX Robotics Head Referee in 2017 and 2018
- VEX Robotics Team leader, Nov 2012 - Jun 2016
- Co-Founder of High School Robotics Club in 2012