ZOE XIDAS

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Education

Biomedical Engineering, Bachelor of Science

Fall 2021- Expected Spring 2025

University at Buffalo, The State University of New York

Presidential Scholar, Honors College

- GPA: 3.8
- Honors: Vice President of Tau Beta Pi- Engineering Honor Society, Dean's List
- Relevant Courses: Cell Culture Lab, Biofluid Mechanics, Biomaterials and Mechanics, Bio-Signals, Bio-Imaging, Organic Chemistry 1, Biochemistry, Organic Chemistry Lab, Chemistry 2, Statics, Physics 2, Circuit Analysis, Calculus 3, Differential Equations, Applied Probability, Engineering Computations

Engineering Projects

Biomaterials Innovative Project Proposal

Fall 2023

Project: Personalized Drug Screening Using Vascularized Stem Cell Models

- Collaborated with my professor to design an innovative personalized device capable of housing vascularized stem cells for screening the effectiveness of cancer cell drugs
- Developed an experimental plan to test the accuracy of my device: isolate stem cells, develop a scaffold, and integrate artificial blood vessels for testing drug responses

Biomedical Engineering "Needs" Design Project

Fall 2022

Project: Pain with Self-Administering Subcutaneous Injections

- Researched current self-injecting methods and designed a prototype tool which allows individuals to self-administer subcutaneous injections
- Presented findings to my professor and fellow students

Engineering Impact Research Project

Spring 2022

Project: The Failures of Organ Transplanting

• Conducted a full analysis on organ transplantation and created a recommendation report on the most effective solutions for improving organ transplantation success

Professional Experience

EAS199 and EAS 202 Student Leader

Aug. 2023-Present

School of Engineering and Science (SEAS) at University at Buffalo, Amherst, NY:

- Mentored first year engineering students during EAS199 lectures and labs by answering questions and guiding them through an engineering thought process
- Collaborated with other student leaders, teaching assistants, and professors to teach and reinforce lecture content

Partners for the Future Intern

Aug. 2020-Apr. 2021

Cold Spring Harbor Labs (CSHL), Cold Spring Harbor, NY:

Project: In-silico Experiment of T-cell Development During Negative Selection

- Interned in the Meyer lab, partnered with mentor Sarah Fumagalli, Computational Postdoctorate Fellow
- Researched and performed an in-silico experiment of T-cell development during negative selection
- Created simulations in Python to mimic the T-cell behavior
- Presented findings to CSHL leadership at the end of the program

Women in Technology Intern

Sept. 2019-Nov. 2019

BAE Systems, Greenlawn, NY:

- Coded an Arduino and built circuits alongside BAE Systems experts
- Collaborated with a team to complete a final project— a temperature sensor system that mimics that of BAE's real temperature sensor system
- Presented learnings and demonstrated a working temperature sensor system at the end of the program

Library Page Sept. 2019-Feb. 2020

Harborfields Public Library Children's Room, Greenlawn, NY

• Arranged and returned books to shelves, organized shelves, decorated the Children's Room

Assisted librarians in daily programs and led arts and crafts activities

Technical Skills

Programming Languages: MATLAB, Python (beginner knowledge)

Drafting Programs: SolidWorks

Computer Skills: Adobe Illustrator, macOS, Windows OS, MS Word, MS Excel, MS PowerPoint, Photoshop

Volunteering and Tutoring

STEM Youth Mentor

Spring 2023-Present

STEM Youth Mentor Program, University at Buffalo

- Taught a class of K-4th grade level students weekly at Westminster Community Charter School
- Instructed lessons aligned with Next Generation Science Standards to reinforce STEM classroom topics
 Math Tutoring
- Tutored students grades 3-12 for math topics ranging from foundational math skills to college calculus