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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Candidate in Biomedical Engineering - Imaging & Biophotonics

Northwestern University, Evanston, IL

2017 - Expected 2022

- Fellowships: Fellowship in Leadership (2020) | Murphy Fellowship (2017)
- Leadership Roles:
 - o Vice President of Administration, Advanced Degree Consulting Alliance | Fall 2020 Present
 - o Diversity Committee Member & Ambassador, BMEGS | Winter 2021 Present

B.S. in Biomedical Engineering - Cell & Tissue Engineering

Illinois Institute of Technology (IIT), Chicago, IL | GPA: 3.96 (Summa Cum Laude)

2013 - 2017

- Scholarships: Toprani Research Scholarship (2016) | ARC Scholar (2015) | International Student Scholarship (2013)
- Leadership Roles:
 - o Designer, Undergraduate Research Journal | Fall 2013 Spring 2014
 - o Student Diversity Ambassador, Center for Diversity | Spring 2015 Fall 2015
 - o Corresponding Secretary, Tau Beta Pi Honor Society (TBP-ILB) | Fall 2016 Spring 2017

WORK EXPERIENCE

• Extern, Mars & Co - Global Strategy Consulting Firm

Winter 2021

- o Practiced cases with Senior Consultants involved in Strategy Consulting.
- Graduate Research Assistant, Backman Lab at Northwestern University

Fall 2017 - Present

- o Mentored an interdisciplinary research team as a part of the NSF Research Experience and Mentoring Program.
- Teaching Assistant, Biomedical Engineering Department at Northwestern University & IIT
 - o Taught Quantitative Experimentation and Design at Northwestern University.

Spring 2020

o Conducted lectures on Image Analysis and Signal Processing on MATLAB at IIT.

Spring 2017

 Undergraduate Research Assistant, Medical Imaging Research Center (MIRC) at IIT o Developed Mathematical Models for lumpectomy margin assessment.

Spring 2016 - Fall 2016

- Community Desk Assistant, Residence & Greek Life, IIT

Fall 2015 - Spring 2017

o Resolved issues relevant to On-Campus Housing and Greek life.

PROJECTS

- Epigenetic Cell Reprogramming in-situ: A novel tool for Regenerative Engineering | Backman Lab: Led the imaging and functional genomics domains to analyze the effects of environmental cues on 3D chromatin architecture in enhancing the differentiation/reprogramming outcomes in stem cells.
- Mathematical models governing diffusion of imaging agents in lumpectomy margin assessment | MIRC: Collaborated with experts in mathematical modelling to identify an optimum imaging experimental protocol for quantitative molecular phenotyping of cell-surface tumor biomarkers by solving partial differential equations.

AWARDS AND HONORS -

• Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honor Society, Member

Since 2016

Armour College of Engineering Dean's List for Excellent Scholarly Achievement, IIT

2013 - 2016

• Undergraduate Research Expo Winner, IIT • Society of Women Engineers Region H Research Competition - Best in Show, IIT 2016 2017

★ COMPUTER SKILLS

- Applications: Microsoft Excel, Microsoft PowerPoint, Adobe Photoshop, and MATLAB (Image Processing Toolbox).
- Languages: Strong in Python, MATLAB, and R. Intermediate in C++ and JAVA.
- Data Analysis: Hypothesis Testing, and Data Visualization.
- **★ INTERESTS** | Painting, Playing Chess and Reading books on Epigenetics.