Alexander Montesinos

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EDUCATION

University of Michigan Dearborn - BS, Computer Engineering

MAY 2029 (EXPECTED)

Wolverine Pathways Scholar

Detroit Cristo Rey High School

JUNE 2025

- GPA: 3.5
- · Dual Enrollment (UDM & WCCCD), AP & Honors Student, National Honors Society, Varsity Wrestler
- MIT Introduction to Technology, Engineering, and Science (MITES) Summer '24 Alumni

WORK EXPERIENCE

Orange Sparkle Ball, Inc. - Mobility and Robotics Intern

JULY 2025 - PRESENT

- · Oversaw Downtown Detroit robot pickups for safe handoffs of materials between customers and robots.
- · Documented operational failures and completed Airtable forms after each scheduled pickup.
- Assisted with impact data tracking and dashboard maintenance, flagging inconsistencies for follow-up.

University of Michigan Engineering Zone - Software & Electrical Mentor

JUNE 2025 - PRESENT

- Mentor high school students in Java foundational programming and guide students into applied robotics coding using WPILib, REV Swerve Drive, and multiple mechanisms.
- · Lead students through wiring, troubleshooting, and hardware integration with CAN bus, encoders, and motor controllers.
- · Guided students on using AdvantageScope for live data visualization, code simulation, and logging diagnostics.

General Motors (Global Manufacturing Electrical & SDV) - High School Intern

OCT 2023 - MAY 2025

- Only intern to support the Automotive Manufacturing & Electrical College (AMEC) team in vehicle first time quality.
- · Supported the training stands build for hands on learning with wire harnesses, terminals, and CPAs.
- · Assisted onboarding Electrical & SDV new hires and guided them through an introduction to the AMEC curriculum.

iCode School Novi - Senior Instructor

JUNE 2022 - AUG 2023

- · Taught beginner to intermediate courses in Python, Java, HTML/CSS, and Scratch to elementary and middle school students.
- · Led and adapted electronics and hardware courses in breadboarding, circuits, and Arduino projects.
- Instructed classes on game development, vex robotics, 3d-printing, and astronomy.
- Contributed to curriculum adaptations for improved classroom engagement and easier class instructions for future instructors.

EXTRACURRICULAR

FIRST Robotics Competition Team 5577 - Co-Captain

AUG 2021 - MAY 2025

- Led a group of 10+ students and oversaw all software, electrical, and pneumatics systems integration.
- <u>Led the implementation of team's first swerve drive system</u> with functional swerve kinematics, path planning, and closed-loop control and developed autonomous routines using swerve drivetrain odometry and robot localization via AprilTags and Limelight which enabled real-time field position tracking.
- Developed automated command sequences for dynamic shooting calculations and auto alignment using AprilTag recognition and retroreflective tracking.
- · Ran team hosted workshops and summer camps on programming and electrical systems for middle and high school students.

VOLUNTEER WORK

FIRST Robotics - Control Systems Advisor

NOV 2021 - PRESENT

- Serve as a control systems advisor at FIRST middle and high school robotics competitions, providing guidance and technical support to teams.
- Troubleshoot and resolved complex system issues in real-time during competitions, helping teams overcome challenges and perform at their best.

Motor City Alliance - Controls Specialist

AUG 2021 - MAY 2025

- Student lead and founding member of nonprofit "The Motor City Alliance" in <u>sustaining robotics programs in Detroit with over 90+ elementary, middle, and high school teams.</u>
- Assisted in coordinating volunteers for key events like kickoffs, workshops, and competitions.
- Provided hands-on guidance to middle school robotics teams on programming and electrical troubleshooting.

FIRST Robotics - Student Mentor

SEP 2017 - NOV 2024

- Volunteered as a mentor for the FIRST robotics team at Escuela Avancemos Elementary School (FLL).
- Mentored Holy Redeemer's FIRST robotics middle school team (FTC).

AWARDS

MITES Top Team in Electronics (2024), FIRST Dean's List Award Semi-Finalist (2024), FIRST Young Student Mentor Award (2023) **SKILLS**

Bilingual: English & Spanish, Java, MS Office Windows, VS Code, Git, Version Control, Open-source Collaboration, Self Learning