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#### **EDUCATION**

## Mississippi State University

August 2011 - Present

Degree: B.S. degree in Computer Science

Expected Graduation: May 2015

GPA: 4.0

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

## Laboratory for Autonomous Systems Research (LASR)

May 2014 - Present Washington, D.C.

Naval Research Laboratory - NREIP Intern

- · Mentors/Supervisors: Dr. Greg Trafton, Dr. Laura Hiatt
- Summer 2014 undergraduate research position at LASR. Conducted research related to the use of dynamic context produced by a computational cognitive model to improve a neural network-based object recognition system.

## Center for Advanced Vehicular Systems (CAVS)

January 2014 - Present

Mississippi State University - Undergraduate Research Assistant

Starkville, MS

- · Mentors: Dr. Daniel Carruth, Dr. Cindy L. Bethel
- Conducted ITAR-restricted research on the CRES-GV project. This project involved the development of software to integrate robotic platforms in a vehicle simulation software package.

# Social, Therapeutic, & Robotic Systems (STaRS) Laboratory

August 2013 - Present Mississippi State, MS

Mississippi State University - Undergraduate Research Assistant

· Mentor/Supervisor: Dr. Cindy L. Bethel

Performed research and served as Co-Lead of the Robot Intent and Control Project sponsored by the Army Research Laboratory. The project involved the development of a system that allowed supervisory command and control of an autonomous robot platform through the use of three different interfaces. The system was evaluated in a user study that measured the usability and user experience of each interface.

### Mississippi State University Physics Department

Fall 2011 - Spring 2012

Undergraduate Research Assistant

Mississippi State, MS

- · Supervisor: Dr. Angelle Tanner
- Developed multiple data analysis and image processing scripts primarily for data collected at the Palomar Observatory.

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

# Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL)

Summer 2012

USRP Intern

Pasadena, CA

- · Supervisor: William R. Johnson
- · Provided Earth Science software support; developed a radiometer calibration application using Enthought Python. This application coordinated the automation of multiple calibration instruments via serial communication and provided the user with real-time data visualization from the calibration process.

## Naval Research Laboratory (NRL)

Computer Clerk (2011), SEAP Intern (2010, 2009)

Summers of 2011, 2010, 2009 John C. Stennis Space Center, Mississippi

· Supervisor: Dr. Bruce Lin

· Assisted with the development of a battlespace management interface written using the World Wind Java SDK. Implemented a clustering algorithm for use in the classification of sparse data points.

#### **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

**Computer Languages** Python, C/C++, Java

Software Tools & Libraries Robot Operating System (ROS), Enthought Python, Scipy, Numpy

Version Control GIT

Robots Kobuki TurtleBot 2, Dr. Robot Jaguar

Web PHP, HTML/CSS, SQL Operating Systems Linux, Windows, Mac OS

#### **AWARDS AND HONORS**

• President's Scholar (Fall 2011 - Present)

• Shackouls Honors College

Meritorious Award in Bagley Undergraduate Research Poster Competition (Poster title: Robot Control)

### **SERVICE**

## **SWAT Training Participant**

November 2013 - Present

Mississippi State University

· Volunteer in monthly training exercises with the Starkville City Police Department SWAT team and the STaRS Laboratory related to the integration of robots with tactical teams.

# National SeaPerch Challenge Volunteer

May 2014

Hattiesburg, MS

· Poolside judge for the Heist Challenge.