

# Adam Pollack

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## Education

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**Northwestern University**, Evanston, IL

September 2017

- Master of Science in Robotics, GPA: 3.96
- Relevant Course Topics: Machine Learning, Tensorflow, Robot Operating System, Computer Vision, CUDA GPU Programming, Numerical Methods, Python, C++, Java, Matlab

**Lehigh University**, Bethlehem, PA

August 2012-May 2016

- Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering
- Honors: Dean's List, Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honor Society

## Experience

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**Software Developer**, GreekPillar

May-August 2016

- Designed and built a responsive UI for the platform using AngularJS
- Used HTML/CSS and AngularJS to develop a dynamic form designer
- Employed AngularJS services to connect data from a Robomongo database to the front end

**Co-Op Engineer**, RathGibson

August-December 2014, May-August 2015

- Conducted research to help the company better understand the properties of their tubing product
- Modeled tubing sample behavior under increasing internal pressure using strain gage data
- Formulated an equation to model the burst pressure of a tube based on burst test results
- Researched and purchased a new apparatus for collapse testing tubing samples

## Projects

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**Comparing Methods for Object Recognition**, *MSR Winter Project*, Northwestern University

Winter 2017

- Implemented Bag of Words method to perform object recognition using SIFT features
- Used a Support Vector Machine (SVM) to train a classifier on extracted features
- Working with TensorFlow to train convolutional neural networks to recognize objects

**Baxter Shell Game**, *Embedded Systems in Robotics*, Northwestern University

Fall 2016

- Programmed a Baxter robot to find an object under one of three cups after shuffling
- Wrote code in Python which ran utilizing the Robot Operating System (ROS)
- Used OpenCV to track the location of the three cups and the object
- Implemented MoveIt! for motion planning and collision avoidance

**Shape Stream**, Android and iOS Mobile Game

Spring 2016-Present

- Created a cross-platform application for both Android and iOS using Java
- Built on the LibGDX game engine and ported to iOS using RoboVM
- Won the Mobilehigh game competition at Lehigh University

**Interior Wall Imaging**, *Integrated Product Development*, Lehigh University

Spring 2015-Fall 2015

- Worked to find a solution to map obstructions within a wall to provide a path for a robot
- Used Matlab to gather signals from current wall scanning technologies
- Presented information regarding market research and product mock-ups to a panel

## Leadership

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**Vice President**, *Phi Delta Theta PA Eta*, Lehigh University

Spring 2015-Fall 2015

- Served as chairman of the chapter Officer Council and Executive Committee
- Oversaw all internal operations and organized the committee structure of the chapter