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EDUCATION Farragut High School

Knoxville, TN

• GPA: 4.4/4.5, Rank: 11/512

2006-2010

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Cambridge, MA

• GPA: 4.5/5.0

2010-present

Knoxville, TN

• Mechanical Engineer Major (Mechatronics Product Development)

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE Spring 2010

Oak Ridge National Laboratory

Materials Science Division Research Intern

- Quantitatively analyzed heat-treatments' effects on the 316LN stainless steel covering of the mercury target within the Spallation Neutron Source to determine validity of repairs.
- By analyzing weight loss, surface pit depths, and DPH, was able to show that heattreatments cause negligible amounts of cavitation erosion; thus, validating this process.
- Acquired knowledge of the faults and strengths of steel in engineering design and how to optimize materials for better machine performance
- Recognized for contribution in research report Influence of Heat Treatment Mercury Cavitation Resistance of Surface Hardened 316LN Stainless Steel by Steven Pawel which was published in Oak Ridge National Lab Technical Memorandum ORNL/TM-2010/212, September 2010

Fall 2009

University of Tennessee

Knoxville, TN

Department of Energy Research Intern

- Conducted in-depth research on industrial waste as a renewable cost-efficient energy alternative to traditional energy sources.
- By analyzing a variety of measures including chemical volume and content, was able to determine that a higher percentage of grease trap waste mixed with cow manure would produce a higher level of the alternative energy source, biogas.
- Determined the validity of the continuous reactor process as a viable cost-efficient alternative energy process with the previously determined combination of grease trap waste and cow manure to produce 200% more biogas compared to other waste sources
- Learned the importance of environmental-conscious engineering design and ultimate goal of energy conservation or renewal

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

Summer 2011

Testprep

Knoxville, TN

Calculus Tutor

• Led one-on-one calculus tutoring sessions for each student with a custom lesson plan to help strengthen quantitative skills; created comforting environment for maximum learning potential

Summer 2010

Concord Hills Tennis Association Head Tennis Coach

Knoxville, TN

- Directed tennis matches for adolescents aged nine to eighteen with other local organizations to encourage tennis enthusiasm and healthy exercising
- Created customized lesson plans and lead weekly practices focusing on beginner tennis skills

ADDITIONAL

- Basic Java computer programming skills
- ITA All-Academic Team/Scholar Athlete Award recipient
- Relevant summer classes: System Dynamics, Mechanics of Materials
- Familiar with gas chromatographer, Rockwell Hardness Tester, micro-hardness scale
- Love to play LEGOs and build electronics