# Sara R. Comis

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#### Education

# **Massachusetts Institute of Technology**

Cambridge, MA

Candidate for Bachelor of Engineering in Course 2a (Mechanical Engineering with a concentration in Sustainable Development) and double minor in Applied International Studies and Environmental Science, Burchard Scholar, June 2013.

Current GPA: 4.9

**Relevant courses**: Ecology: The Earth System, Civil & Environmental Engineering Design I & II, Globalization, Ecology II: Engineering for Sustainability, Thermal-Fluids Engineering I, Design and Manufacturing I, Engineering Systems Design: High Speed Rail Project

# William Howard Taft Howard High School

Woodland Hills, CA

Graduated: June 2009.

Salutatorian, Platinum Cord, High Honors, Bank of America Math Award (2),

California Scholarship Federation Life Member and Seal Bearer, Science Department Award, Harvard Book Award, San Fernando Valley Engineering Scholarship, Advanced Placement National Scholar

# **Experience**

# **Undergraduate Research Opportunity**

Cambridge, MA

Lab Assistant January 2011-now

Reviewed and edited complied sourcebook on Arsenic contamination worldwide

Lab Assistant January –May 2010

Created various electrolyte compositions and measured the mass of the electrolytes using a DSC and TGA-MS in order to create a liquid metal battery.

# International Internship Opportunity (MISTI)

Ramat Ilan, Israel

Lab Assistant

June - August 2010

Prepared slurries of Carbon Nanotubes and activated carbon for use in dye sensitized solar cells and car starters.

### **Public Service Grant**

Tamaula, Mexico

#### **Project Coordinator**

January 2010

Built cisterns and conducted surveys to enhance and inform about water sanitation in an area of Mexico without running water.

# **University of Florida**

Gainsville, FL

Lab Assistant

Summer 2008

Mastered the use of the tencor profilometer, metal evaporator, and capacitance meter, assembled and used a spin coater to manufacture capacitors, and completed summer research project and presented paper (received awards for best paper and best presentation).

# Leadership

# School leadership

Society of Women Engineers Freshman Rep/Executive Secretary

McCormick Dining and Dish Closet Chair
Resident Associate Adviser
Fall 2009- now
Freshman leadership program- mentee & mentor
California Scholarship Federation- Club Rep/President

2009-2010
Fall 2009- now
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Fall 2009- 2010
California Scholarship Federation- Club Rep/President

#### **Sports**

AYSO/USSF referee 2005- now Four Year High School Varsity Letter Athlete & College Varsity athlete 2005-now

# **Skills**

Hebrew (intermediate), Fluent Spanish, Excel, java proficiency & Matlab, CAD proficiency (KeyCreator & SolidWorks)