# Brooks Mershon

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# **EDUCATION**

# **DUKE UNIVERSITY**

BS IN COMPUTER SCIENCE May 2016 | Durham, NC Cum. GPA: 3.74 / 4.0 Duke Cycling Team Member

# **NEW YORK UNIVERSITY**

WRITERS IN NEW YORK 2014

# PENNSBURY HIGH SCHOOL

VALEDICTORIAN

June 2012 | Fairless Hills, PA

# SKILLS

# **AVIATION**

4034486CFI Commercial Pilot (ASEL, GLIDER) Flight Instructor (ASEL, GLIDER) Over 62 makes and models flown

EAA 1271516 IAC 440213

#### Hours:

TOTAL: 1650 • PIC: 1564

12-MONTHS: 363 • 90-DAYS: 63 ASEL (PIC): 1029 • GLIDER (PIC): 536

TAILWHEEL: 730

CROSS COUNTRY (PIC): 297

INSTRUCTOR: 288 NIGHT (PIC): 66

SIMULATED INSTRUMENT: 53

ACTUAL INSTRUMENT: 1

MULTI: 5

# **Aviation Activities:**

Own and operate a Pitts S-1S almost daily. EAA Chapter 1662 President. EAA Flight Advisor.

### **MEDIA**

Figma • SketchUp • DaVinci DSLR Photo/Video

#### **PROGRAMMING**

TypeScript • JavaScript • D3

Git • Make

HTML • CSS • LATEX

Familiar:

C++ • Python • Java • R • PostgreSQL Emscripten

# **EXPERIENCE**

# **UNAVCO** | SOFTWARE ENGINEER III

April 2021 - Present | Boulder, CO

- Rapid prototyping and publishing of frontend data discovery and visualization tools on Observable.
- Shake Alert earthquake early warning system design; research and development team.

# TIMBER TIGER AIRCRAFT, INC. | TEST PILOT (CONTRACTOR)

November 2020 - Present | Boulder, CO

 Performed first flight on a new to market kitplane prototype, a Ryan ST replica 6 years in the making. All-CAD-from-the-ground-up, high quality kit. On the cover of Kitplanes September 2021 issue. Demo pilot.

# **BOULDER PILOT, LLC** | OWNER AND PILOT

March 2020 - Present | Boulder, CO

- Started an aircraft ferry services and transition training LLC with an emphasis on experimental aircraft, biplanes, and other demanding tailwheel aircraft with a Fedex Express and Air National Guard Pilot.
- Developed the domain management, website, branding, merchandizing, and billing practices for the Boulder Pilot brand.

# MILE HIGH GLIDING | MANAGER AND CHIEF PILOT

January 2019 - April 2021 | Boulder, CO

- Experienced commercial glider and tow pilot (1,200+ glider flights flown). Responsible for staff pilot training.
- Organized and programmed everything related to software and marketing to run the business more efficiently under new ownership.

# TRIMBLE SKETCHUP | SOFTWARE DEVELOPER

July 2016 - January 2019 | Boulder, CO

- Significant engineering and design involvement bringing SketchUp Web to the EDU market, including integrating online file saving with Google Drive.
- Focused on improving the look, feel, and usability of the SketchUp Web user interface, specifically the search for Commands and Outliner.
- 90 percent front-end work, 10 percent core geometry engine work.
- Won "Best Presentation" and "Best Overall Hack" at internal 2018 hackathon.

# THE WASHINGTON POST | GRAPHICS INTERN

June 2015 - August 2015 | Washington, D.C.

- Designed graphics for print and online publication using Adobe Illustrator.
- Developed interactive graphics (JavaScript, D3) that were published online on subjects including baseball statistics, historical U.S. nuclear testing, and environmental conservation.

# **DUKE UNIVERSITY PRESS | BOOKS EDITORIAL INTERN**

Jan 2015 - May 2015 | Durham, NC

# **VERSAL** | Software Engineering Intern

May 2013 - Aug 2013 | San Francisco, CA

• Developed simulations related to optics, epidemiology, image processing, and geometry as the company launched.