# **Nick Brennan**

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**OBJECTIVE:** A mechanical design engineer with 7+ years of product development experience interested in developing electronic and software design skills and seeking multidisciplinary opportunities

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**Mechanical Engineer & Business Developer** | NK Labs | Cambridge, MA | June 2017 – Present *Mechanical Engineering* 

- Designed custom parts in SolidWorks for a wide range of applications, industries, and client companies
  - DFM: Multi-Axis Machining, Water Jet, MIG / TIG Welding, Rapid Prototyping, Injection Molding, etc.
- Drafted detailed drawings, interfaced with manufacturers, implemented GD&T practices when appropriate
- Led project to design, build, and test smart camera vision system for agricultural environment; passed IP65 test
- Created automated 3-axis dark box test rig to assess light-sensitive electronics; wrote MATLAB control software
- Redesigned custom high-vacuum chamber for muon-catalyzed fusion physics experiment with focus on ease-of-assembly, particle permeability, vacuum compliance, wire routing, and existing geometric constraints
- Worked on-site at Paul Scherrer Institute particle accelerator, various client labs, demos, and test sites
- Coordinated and collaborated with various clients, manufacturers, vendors, testing facilities, etc.

#### Business Development, Marketing, & Recruitment

- Managed project leads; primary point of contact for potential clients; drafted project proposals and grant applications
- Led interview process for co-op and full-time hires: placed job postings, filtered resumes, ran phone screens, etc.
- Overhauled and maintained company website, improved SEO, created ads, and increased monthly traffic by >3X
- Hosted company booths at US Dept. of Energy ARPA-E Summit and BIOMEDEVICE Expo

## Advanced Systems Mechanical Engineering Co-op | Boston Engineering | Waltham, MA | Jan – June 2016

- Designed complex parts and assemblies for robotic systems in PTC Creo and maintained in Windchill PDM
- Executed effective design strategies for static and dynamic sealing and preferred CG and CB of marine components
- Learned and applied basics of circuitry to assemble functional electrical prototype systems

## Mechanical Engineering Co-op | Farm Product Development | Hollis, NH | Jan – June 2015

- Engaged in design projects for clients across the biomedical industry from brainstorming to full-scale prototypes
- Obtained skills for surface modeling within SolidWorks and earned Advanced Surfacing certification
- Performed FEA using ANSYS Workbench and SolidWorks Simulation to determine necessary part geometry

## Research & Development Co-op | LeMaitre Vascular | Burlington, MA | Jan – June 2014

- Used SolidWorks to design, model, and produce drawings of parts and fixtures for R&D and Production use
- Conducted device and component testing on samples across many of company's product lines
- Made regular use of laboratory equipment such as Instron Tester, Vision System, and burst pressure system

## **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

Applications: SolidWorks CSWP | PTC Creo / Windchill | Onshape | ANSYS | Asana | Trello | Google Ads / Analytics Fabrication: Mill | Lathe | 3D Printers (SLA, FDM) | OMAX Water Jet | Laser Cutter | DFM | Woodworking | Soldering Programming: MATLAB | Git | Linux (Ubuntu) | Basic HTML / CSS / Bootstrap | Basic Python Testing: Oscilloscope | Instron Material Tester | Multimeter | Ingress Protection | High-Vacuum

#### **EDUCATION**

**B.S. in Mechanical Engineering**, Minor in Biomechanical Eng. | Northeastern University | Boston, MA | May 2017 Honors: Magna Cum Laude | University Honors Program | Dean's List | National Hispanic Recognition Program Scholar Senior Capstone Design Project: Automated Control System to Map Cartilage Material Properties - Team Lead

### **INDUSTRIES**

Robotics & Automation | Consumer Electronics | Biomedical | Optics | Cryogenics | Aerospace | Scientific Instrumentation

#### **BACKGROUND & INTERESTS**

Music | Travel | Bike Commuting | Hiking | Snowboarding | Pizza