

# Daniel Franko

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## Summary of Skills and Qualifications

- Strong mechanical design skills developed through internships and student teams
- Expert in SolidWorks and proficient in NX, AutoCAD, Inventor, and MS Excel
- Practical experience of joining, machining, and manufacturing processes
- Extensive hands-on experience in mechanical and electrical settings
- Clear, confident communication skills gained in technical and non-technical environments
- Various leadership experiences gained through volunteer and extracurricular involvement

## Related Experience

### Mechanical Engineering Intern | May 2018 – August 2019 | Saskatoon, SK

Doepker Industries Ltd.

- Developed a \$110k custom grain bulker trailer with the goal of driving design innovation
- Oversaw production and provided manufacturing support during project construction
- Collaborated with engineers or financing departments to advance time-sensitive projects
- Obtained Lean White Belt Certification and identified \$125,000 in annual savings

### Rover Project Manager | September 2018 – August 2019 | Saskatoon, SK

University of Saskatchewan Space Team

- Managed a team of 20 students to design and construct a Mars rover prototype with budgetary and schedule constraints
- Designed and fabricated a completely custom carbon fibre rover chassis and suspension

### Mechanical Engineering Coop Student | May 2017 – August 2017 | Burlington, ON

voestalpine Rotec Summo Corp. | Project: Pretensioner Line & Ball Check

- Re-engineered components and subsystems to improve machine repeatability, decrease cycle time, and eliminate machine crashes
- Executed systematic troubleshooting and root-cause-analysis after machine crashes.
- Completed rapid prototype and iteration of 3-D printed tooling before CNC machining

### Mechanical Engineering Coop Student | May 2016 – August 2016 | Burlington, ON

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- Completed design of a \$1.5M automated machine to make seat belt pretensioners
- Included conceptual design, linear motion, pneumatics, cycle time, and detailed design
- Designed, drafted, and packaged mechanical systems for manufacture, with SolidWorks

## Education

### College of Engineering – Mechanical Engineering | Sept 2014-April 2020

University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon SK

- 2015-2016, 2017-2018 Dean's Honour Roll (Average > 77%)
- Machine Design
- Fluid Power Circuits
- Advanced Mechanical Design
- Manufacturing Processes

## Skill Set

### Design Skills

SolidWorks CAD  
SolidWorks FEA  
GD&T Drawings  
PDM Professional  
DFMA  
ANSYS  
Matlab  
MS Excel  
MasterCAM

### Mechanical Design

FEA  
Sheet Metal Design  
Weldments  
Kinematic Studies  
Force Analysis  
Fastener Selection  
CNC Components  
FDM 3D Printed Parts  
Coating Selection  
Drawing Packages  
AGMA Gear Selection

### Relevant Projects

2U CubeSat Frame  
USST Mars Rover  
Formula SAE  
Grabber Design Project  
Hilsch Vortex Tube

### Fabrication Skills

Lathe  
Manual Mill  
CNC Milling  
Welding (MIG/TIG)  
Sheet Metal  
Carbon Fiber  
Composites  
Jigging  
Soldering  
Woodwork

### Interests

Rock Climbing  
Running  
Cycling  
Reading  
Hiking/Camping  
Soccer  
Hockey