

# David Claffey

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## EDUCATION

### Georgia Institute of Technology – GPA: 3.92

- B.S. Mechanical Engineering
- Computer Science Minor, Intelligence and AI
- M.S. Computer Science

Atlanta, Georgia  
August 2020 – December 2024

January 2025 – TBD

## EXPERIENCE

### Tormach

Software Development Engineer Intern

Madison, Wisconsin

May – August 2024

- Developed **automation framework** software using QML, GDK, HAL, LCEC, NC, ROS, and Docker. Conducted **root cause analysis** for bugs and feature additions, including new probing routines and hardware IO expansions.
- Outcomes: Product proof of concept, new **Pathpilot** features, embedded hardware, IO expansions.

### Formlabs

SLA Print Process R&D Intern

Somerville, Massachusetts

January – August 2023

- Designed and performed experiments studying **polymerization dynamics**, **energy accumulation**, **optical stack design**, and new material **chemistry**. Developed **Form4** recoater/wiper, tank film, **LCD design**, and algorithms for print optimization.
- Outcomes: Studies on Thermal Fluids, Optics, & Adhesion models. Form4 hardware and software.

### Tosoh SMD

Mechanical Engineering Intern

Columbus, Ohio

May – August 2021

- Investigated **electrical phase anomalies** throttling manufacturing volume. Used **FEA** to assess 7000 Ton **Cold Forges**.
- Outcomes: Recommendation on press apparatus lifetime. FMEA and Workflow for new manufacturing cell layouts.

## RESEARCH

### GA-AIM / Beam Team Labs

AI Manufacturing Researcher – AMPF

Atlanta, Georgia

September 2022 – Current

- Used CV and PID to **automate argon flow control** on the Optomec DED (Directed Energy Deposition) Hybrid machine.
- Developing Magnetic Computed Tomography **reconstruction algorithms** for in-situ void/annihilation detection.
- Outcomes: PID control and automation for mass delivery, novel MCT scanning technology, CT backpropagation.

### DART Labs

ML & Bio-kinematics/kinetics Researcher

Atlanta, Georgia

August 2021 – August 2023

- Developed a multi-software pipeline for EMG **motion primitive classification** models on a wearable Hip Exoskeleton.
- Created XGBoost trees and TCNs for predicting motion intent, tracking model metrics with WANDB and Confusion Matrices. Conducted Forward Feature Selection and Hyperparameter tuning based on OSIM data.
- Outcomes: Subject-Independent model with **95%** accuracy motion intent prediction using just 3 Inertial Measurement Units.

## LEADERSHIP

### Coffee Company Co-founder

Fluid Chilling Technical Lead

Atlanta, Georgia

July 2024 – Current

- Modeling and Simulation of **Thermoelectrics** and Vortex **Compressed Air chilling** mechanisms for rapid fluid heat transfer.

### Flowers Invention Studio

Metal CNC Master

Atlanta, Georgia

July 2022 – Current

- Responsible for EMCO E350, Tormach PCNC1100, PocketNC, Manual Mill, and CamMaster **machines training** and **manufacturing** for campus **competition teams and research labs**.
- Outcomes: Streamlined CAM training. Knowledge of 4<sup>th</sup> axis indexing, workholding, NC Gcode, tool wear, manufacturing.

## SKILLS

**Software:** Python, C++, MATLAB, Java, ROS, Docker, PyTorch, tf, webots, XGBoost, Wandb, OpenSim, SQL, LCEC, HAL

**Analytics:** FEA, CAD, Topology, Physics Simulation, Machine Learning, Data Acquisition, Visualization and Exp Design

**Manufacturing:** CNC, Industrial Robotics, SLA, SLS, Waterjet, Laser, Fiber, Ink-jetting, Metal additive, Thin Film

**Mechanical:** Fluid Dynamics, Heat Transfer, Solid Mechanics, Control Systems, Magnetics, Machine Design, Hardware