

# David Jinher Zhu

CHEMICAL AND PROCESS ENGINEERING PHD CANDIDATE

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## Education

### The University of Western Australia

Crawley, Western Australia

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Jan. 2020 - Present

- Supervisors: Prof. Zachary M. Aman, Prof. Eric F. May, Dr. Bruce W.E. Norris;
- Focus on thermophysical modelling in context of gas hydrate phase equilibria;
- One of four core developers for ThermoFAST, a thermodynamic property calculator for natural gas, LNG, ammonia and hydrogen with the ability to perform vapour-liquid-solid equilibrium calculations;
- Developed and implemented novel description of hydrate phase equilibrium model in ThermoFAST, with draft journal paper under review;
- Implemented the Cubic Plus Association Equation of State in ThermoFAST for equilibrium calculations;
- Working on pseudocomponent handling in ThermoFAST to extend hydrate model to model complex reservoir fluids

### The University of Western Australia

Crawley, Western Australia

MASTER OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING: CHEMICAL ENGINEERING

Jul. 2017 - Dec. 2019

- GPA: 7.000; WAM: 92.0
- Final year design project on an ammonia synthesis plant with a natural gas feedstock located in Onslow, Western Australia

### The University of Western Australia

Crawley, Western Australia

BACHELOR OF PHILOSOPHY (HONS)

Feb. 2014 - Jul. 2018

- First Class Honours in Engineering Science (Chemical Engineering); Second Major in Mandarin Chinese (Beginner)
- Thesis: The effect of Mono-ethylene Glycol on Hydrocarbon Cloud Points via Differential Scanning Calorimetry, with Prof. Zachary Aman (83%)

## Experience

### Academic Tutor / Facilitator

Crawley, Western Australia

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Feb. 2019 - Present

- Designed new laboratory demonstrations and accompanying assignments for ENSC3006 (3 labs) and ENSC3019 (4 labs) in (2020 - Present), ensuring flexibility for hybrid-learning mode.
- Led weekly open hybrid-consultations for students, assisting them with laboratory-related conceptual queries and/or technical assistance with engineering software (MultiFlash, AspenHYSYS); and
- Enabled students to develop an understanding of how the theoretical concepts introduced in lectures and labs are linked to the implementation of technical solutions in industrial contexts.
- 2019: Tutor for GENG4402: Control Engineering, CHPR5521: Flow Assurance and Gathering, and CHPR5522: Treating and LNG Production.

### Research Assistant

Crawley, Western Australia

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Dec. 2018 - Jan. 2020

- Full-time summer vacation student transitioned into casual work Chevron-Woodside established Centre for Long Subsea Tiebacks
- Created a database consolidating over 8,000 selected experimental hydrate phase equilibrium data points from published literature;
- Analysed trends in error margins from the experimental data against software predictions using the created database to highlight areas of model inaccuracy and data sparsity;
- Active participant in weekly reading group meetings, where two papers in the field of "Hydrates Interfacial Science" are presented weekly; and
- Presented four critical review presentations in aforementioned reading group meetings, which were received well by senior academics.

### Project Team Member

Perth, Western Australia

UWA YOUNG ENGINEERS

Jun 2017 - Present

- UWA Young Engineers is the student chapter of Engineers Australia and our mission is to aid in the professional development of all our club members through the organisation of various events;
- Facilitated club's transition from Google services to Microsoft 365 (email and cloud storage) in 2021;
- Involved as an usher for UWAYE's Industry Analysis Night, directing >150 people to and from auditorium at scheduled timing;
- Created marketing posts for Facebook and printing and distribution of posters for multiple hackathon events (2018 - WorleyParsons, 2022 - Accenture)

### Visual-Audio Coordinator | Pianist

Perth, Western Australia

THE REVIVAL FELLOWSHIP

January 2019 - Present

- Team Coordinator for Visual/Audio requirements in Church services, including streaming live Zoom meetings. Also includes organising weekly rosters and training new volunteers.
- Active pianist for church band. Rostered on Sundays and Wednesdays weekly.

## Postgraduate UniMentor

Crawley, Western Australia

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Jun. 2018 - May. 2019

- Facilitating and supporting transition of commencing postgraduate students by drawing on experience and knowledge of Perth and UWA;
- Facilitating weekly correspondence with mentees online or in-person to assist in transition during mentees' first semester;
- Applying active listening and problem solving skills to assist with mentee's queries and problems, redirecting mentees to appropriate university services and facilities;
- Lead a walking tour group of ten international students around the Perth CBD;
- Mentored three commencing international chemical engineering students.

## Maintenance Research Intern

Perth, Western Australia

DOWNER GROUP

Sep. 2016 - Mar. 2017

- Researched and developed a holistic understanding of maintenance strategies, namely how predictive maintenance is used in conjunction with condition monitoring and other maintenance strategies;
- Researched examples of common failure modes in equipment, and respective common condition monitoring techniques used in context of electric motors;
- Researched wireless technology use, namely sensors, and compiled information about costs, availability, benefits and drawbacks in condition monitoring applications; and
- Submitted a short report (30 pages) and gave a 20 minute presentation on key findings and lessons learned to senior management.

## Technical Skills

### Proficient

Python, Microsoft Office, Fortran, VBA, MATLAB, AspenHYSYS, OLGA, E<sub>2</sub>X, ANSYS Fluent

### Limited

R, C#

## Publications

### Summary

- 1 Q4 2022 Journal Publication
- 5 Conference Proceedings
- Full details of journal publications and conference proceedings can be provided on request

## Honors & Awards

### Nominee

UWA School of Engineering Teaching Award - Citation for Outstanding Contributions to Student Learning (Facilitator): ENSC3019

2021

### Prize Winner

BCG GAMMA Prize in Introduction to Data Science - Top student in CITS4009: Exploratory Data Analysis

2020

### Prize Winner

Chevron Woodside Chair in Subsea Tieback Engineering Prize- Gas Processing - Top 5 in CHPR5521 Gas Processing 1: Flow Assurance and Gathering and CHPR5522 Gas Processing 2: Treating and LNG Production

2018

### Prize Winner

Chevron Chair Prize in Gas Process Engineering - Top 5 in ENSC3005 Mass and Energy Balances

2017

### Prize Winner

Dr Wang Yi Prize in Chinese - Top student in Beginners Stream Mandarin Chinese Major

2016

### Prize winner

Convocation of UWA Graduates Prize - Top student in ENSC1001 Global Challenges in an Engineering World

2014

## Professional Memberships

### Student Member

Engineers Australia

2018 - Present

### Student Member

Society of Petroleum Engineers

2018 - Present

### Student Member

Golden Key Society

2019 - Present