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Daniel Teal

Research interests: nanomanufacturing, self-assembly, computation.

Education

2015–2019 University of Texas at Austin.

Mechanical Engineering & Mathematics, 3.88/4.00. nanopatterning, nanoenergy, materials science, dynamic systems, thermodynamics, organic chemistry, heat transfer, numerical analysis

2011–2015 Liberal Arts and Science Academy High School.

Experience

8/17-now Fan Nanomaterial Innovation Lab, research assistant.

Automating nanowire assembly. Implemented computer vision-based detection of nanowires at ≈ 1 kHz and a custom FPGA-based programmable 4-channel arbitrary function generator for vastly improved electric tweezers control.

- 5/18-8/18 NNCI iREU: Nano Functionality Integration Group, research intern. Studied neuromorphic computation in random PVP@Ag nanowire networks via computer simulations and physical experiment. Learned international research culture in Tsukuba, Japan.
- 6/17–8/17 **REU: Cornell NanoScale Facility**, research intern.

 Created low power voltage rectifiers in the CNF fab. Performed mask design, photolithography, evaporation, graphene application, automated 200 MHz electrical tests, and UHF vibrometry.
- 9/15-now UT Longhorn Maker Studios, student assistant.

Trained students for and maintained laser cutters and 3D printers. Attained proficiency in rapid prototyping equipment. Proposed and ran large student hardware hackathon in collaboration with ME Undergraduate Advisory Board.

- 9/15—now UT IEEE Robotics & Automation Society, Robotathon & webmaster. Organized the annual RAS introductory student robotics competition, Robotathon, while rewriting and maintaining the club website. Also built assorted small robots and large robotic couch.
- 8/17-now UT ME Undergraduate Advisory Board, member.

Proposed, designed, and ran the first UT engineering Createathon hardware hackathon with ≈ 50 students and multiple corporate sponsors in collaboration with the UT makerspace.

- 11/16–5/17 **Zheng Research Group**, research assistant. Reviewed plasmonic nanostructures.
- 11/15–11/16 UT Advanced Manufacturing Center, research assistant.

 Designed and fabricated head impact metrology equipment for future research.

 Mounted 30 psi baseball air cannon to steel frame and SLS nylon dummy head.

 Automated measurements and tested high-speed camera.
 - 6/15–8/15 UT Applied Research Laboratories, intern.

 Acoustically detected unmanned aerial vehicles. Used digital signal processing to estimate range of common Phantom 3 pro quadcopter from analysis of its ultrasonic altitude finder and propeller noise under laboratory conditions.
 - 9/11–6/15 **FIRST Tech Challenge Robotics Team**, design & build lead.

 Lead team to become 2014-2015 world competition finalists. Designed in

 CAD and fabricated most of unorthodox leafblower-based wooden structure.
 - 6/11–8/15 **DIY 3D Printer Design & Construction**, hobbyist. Self-taught mechatronics by evolving generations of FDM machines.

Honors & Affiliations

- 3/16–5/17 UT Longhorn Maker Studios Club, president.
- 9/15–5/16 **512 Hyperloop**, member.
 - 2015 **ASME**, student member.
 - 2017 **IEEE**, student member.
 - 2016 Tau Beta Pi, engineering honor society member.
 - 2016 Pi Tau Sigma, mechanical engineering honor society member.
 - 2015 National Merit Finalist, recipient.
 - 2013 National Honor Society, member.

Skills

- Tooling Laser cutter, FDM 3D printer, cleanroom (var.), measurement (var.).
- Domains Mechanics, electronics, computation.
 - CAD SolidWorks, Fusion 360.
- Languages Python; some Verilog, C/C++, LabVIEW, Java, HTML/CSS, TI-BASIC.
 - Software Linux, Windows, Excel, MATLAB, Word, LATEX.