EMILY WILLIAMS

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EDUCATION

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Doctor of Philosophy in Aeronautics and Astronautics Specialization in Computational Science and Engineering Sep 2021 - Present

GPA: TBD

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Bachelor of Science in Aerospace Engineering Minor in Atmospheric Sciences, Concentration in Computational Science and Engineering Aug 2017 - May 2021

GPA: 3.95 / 4.00

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

ALD Research Group

Advisor: Adrián Lozano-Durán, PhD

Fall 2021 - Present

Cambridge, MA

- Employing quantum computing for numerical simulations of hypersonic flows
- Using machine learning to predict and model the dynamics of turbulence

Numerics and Unsteady Flows (NUF) Group

Advisor: Andres Goza, PhD

Summer 2020 - Spring 2021

Champaign, IL

- Optimized higher order method using immersed boundary smooth extension
- · Used extended forcing for continuous boundary solution for the fluid-structure interface

Center for Hypersonics & Entry Systems Studies (CHESS)

Advisor: Marco Panesi, PhD

Spring 2020 - Spring 2021

Champaign, IL

- Used neural networks to fit potential energy surfaces and acquire chemical reaction rates
- Performed optimization and regularization techniques for uncertainty quantification
- First recipient of the Scott R. White AE Visionary Scholarship for excelling in undergraduate research

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Head Engineering Learning Assistant

ENG 100: Engineering Orientation

Spring 2019 - Spring 2021

- Instructed two ENG 100 sections of 20+ first-year aerospace undergraduate students each
- Oversaw all ENG 100 course activities for the college while providing direction, guidance, and mentorship

Course Developer & Instructor

Spring 2020

Champaign, IL

AE 199 SAT: Introduction to CubeSat Design & Development

Champaign, IL

- Created engineering technical elective to introduce underclassmen to satellite development
- Served as primary instructor and wrote course curriculum for 25+ undergraduate students

Course Developer & Teaching Assistant

Spring 2020 - Spring 2021

ENG 177: Grainger Engineering First-Year Experience (GFX) Leadership Scholars

Champaign, IL

- Provided a forum for strengthening leadership skills for underrepresented minorities in engineering
- Led in restructuring course to align with learning and leadership objectives

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

The Boeing Company

Space Electronics Product Design Automation Intern

Summer 2020, Summer 2021 El Segundo, CA (Remote)

- Hired through the Engineering Accelerated Hiring Initiative (EAHI) program
- Automated process to interface between integrated PCB layout application and ANSYS for thermal analysis
- Streamlined data forensics of thermal parameters for product design and defect origins for mitigating risk

GE Aviation Summer 2018
Product Operations Intern Cincinnati, OH

- Hired through the Early Identification (EID) program
- Executed technical solutions for changes in design of turbofan jet engine hardware
- Reallocated 300+ fan blades for product development, expediting the development of 20 affected engines
- Proactively identified maintenance, repair, and overhaul issues through tracking forecasted commits

CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT

Lead Tutor Fall 2019 – Spring 2021

Center for Academic Resources in Engineering

Champaign, IL

- Developed curriculum and led exam review sessions and tutoring hours for undergraduate students
- Led recruitment efforts for new tutors and administrative logistics for walk-in tutoring and interactive portal
- Nominated and awarded Tutor of the Year for the University of Illinois

Women in Aerospace

Fall 2017 - Spring 2021

Department of Aerospace Engineering

Champaign, IL

- Planned agendas and allocated funds for week-long professional development trips and conferences
- Expanded executive board from 5 to 10+ to focus on fundraising, outreach, and networking
- Awarded Dale Margerum Memorial Award for exemplifying outstanding leadership qualities

HONORS & AWARDS

AIAA Aviation Week Network 20 Twenties	2021	Boeing Women in Engineering Scholarship	2018
James Scholar Honors Program	2017 - 2021	Illinois Space Grant (ISGC) Scholarship	2018
University of Illinois Dean's List	2017 - 2021	GE Women's Network Scholarship	2018
Grainger Engineering Knight of St. Patrick	2021	AE Dept Academic Scholarship	2018
University of Illinois Tutor of the Year	2021	Hayward Tau Beta Pi Scholarship	2018
Senior 100 Honorary	2021	Grainger Scholarship for Continuing Students	2018
NSF GRFP Honorable Mention	2021	H.S. Stillwell Memorial Scholarship	2018
Scott R. White AE Visionary Scholarship	2020	Illinois Engineering Achievement Scholarship	2017
Dale Margerum Memorial Award	2020	Turley Scholarship	2017
Philip Lazzara Memorial Scholarship	2020	MSCI Central States Chapter Scholarship	2017