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Education

B.S. Chemistry & General Engineering

California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, CA

PhD Pre-Candidate in Physical Chemistry
University of Oregon, Eugene, OR
Advisor: Geraldine L. Richmond

Honors and Fellowships

Calpoly Dept. of Chem. and Biochem., San Luis Obispo, CA

- Calpoly President's Honor List & Dean's List
- Physical Chemistry Student Award 2004
- Hypercube Scholar 2004

National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersberg, MD

- Summer Undergraduate Research Fellow 2004

Teaching Experience

University of Oregon, Dept. of Chemistry

- Chemistry tutoring for undergraduate general chemistry
- Teaching Assistant undergraduate advanced general chemistry laboratory

Research Interests

Physical chemistry, water surfaces, sum frequency generation spectroscopy, computational chemistry, molecular dynamics, optics and spectroscopy.

Experience

Channel Islands Opto-Mechanical Engineering, Inc. Quality Assurance Manager

12/2004-Present

- Rebuilt and Operated a vacuum chamber for optical and infrared coating deposition.
- Designed and assembled an infrared spectrophotometer for optical coating analysis. Implemented a computer interface system for data acquisition and analysis using the LabVIEW programming environment.
- Designed several mechanical subsystems for equipment construction and interfacing using the AutoCAD and Solid Works software systems.
- Designed and implemented the company quality assurance system, manuals, procedures, and forms. Performed quality control tasks on manufactured mechanical parts and optics.

National Institute of Standards and Technology Summer Undergraduate Research Fellow

6/2004 - 8/2004

- Developed and implemented a database and web-based front-end for real-fuels combustion models researched at NIST. Also developed several tools for polyaromatic hydrocarbon specie nomenclature, and substituted hydrocarbon specie relational identification.
- Utilized a combination of software tools including PERL, Apache, Java, MySQL.
- Presented research and application results in a final colloquium to NIST faculty and researchers, as well as other undergraduate fellows.

Chemistry Dept. California Polytechnic State University Research Assistant

6/2003 - 6/2004

- Involved in an ongoing research effort in polyelectrolyte multilayer formation.

 Observed the adsorption of water vapor as a function of relative humidity, number of polymer layers, and deposition solution ionic strength.
- Operated an atomic force microscope for topographical polymer characterization
- Used quartz crystal microbalance gravimetric techniques to monitor humidity adsorption into polyelectrolyte multilayers.
- Presented preliminary research results in the Spring 2004 ACS regional convention in Anaheim, CA in the poster session.

Invensys-Triconex, Irvine, CA

6/2001 - 10/2001

Engineering and Technical Communications Internship

- Internship with a leading producer of industrial digital safety controllers
- Assumed full responsibility for the research, editing, production, and release of several in-house documents including:
 - Design requirements for an automated fault-insertion system's software front-end.
 - Operations manual for fault insertion test system.
 - Procedural manual documenting the use of an EPROM programming system.
- Performed various computer and network maintenance tasks including webpage design and system installation.
- R/D labwork including fault-insertion robot component maintenance and design.

Sierra Instruments, Monterey, CA Engineering Internship

6/2000 - 9/2000

- Internship with an industrial mass-flow meter manufacturing company.
- Labview programming of a front-end for clean-gas data acquisition and mass-flow meter calibration loops.
- Computer aided drafting using AutoCAD 2000 to fulfill engineering action requests.
- R/D labwork including documentation of calibration procedures and software training.

California Polytechnic State University Laboratory Experience

1/2000 - Current

- Performed a rigorous series of exploratory experiments in organic, physical, biochemical, inorganic chemistry, and instrumental analysis using state of the art laboratory equipment.
- Frequently used GC, NMR, MS, HPLC, and FT-IR for trace chemical characterization and analysis (qualitative and quantitative).
- Carried out experimentation with standard laboratory glassware including distillations, refluxing, purification by sublimation and recrystalization, and column chromatography.