# Gerardo Andrés Mazzei Capote

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# **OBJECTIVE**

Full time employment in Mechanical or Manufacturing Engineering.

Strong interest in polymer processing and polymer-based additive manufacturing technologies.

### **EDUCATION**

- University of Wisconsin-Madison Madison, WI, U.S.A ongoing
  - PhD: Mechanical Engineering.
  - MSc: Mechanical Engineering.
  - GPA: 3.813 / 4.
- Universidad Simón Bolívar- Caracas, Venezuela
  - Bachelor of Science: Materials Engineering.
  - GPA: 3.9375 / 5.

### **ENGINEERING EXPERIENCE**

Graduate Student un

under Prof. Tim Osswald, UW-Madison August 2016 - Present

- Extruded a customized ABS filament with tight dimensional tolerances to achieve high precision volumetric output during 3D printing.
- Used a 6-axis robotic printer to produce and test FFF coupons with unusual bead orientations.
- Added custom geometries to "SciSlice"- an open source, research focused slicing engine.
- Used a novel criterion to develop a failure surface for FFF parts.
- Taught "ME370- Energy Systems Laboratory" to senior undergraduate students.
- Manager of the Additive Manufacturing Laboratory of the Polymer Engineering Center since August 2017.

## **SKILLS**

#### Languages:

•Spanish: *Native language* 

• Portuguese and English: Advanced, near-native level

#### Computer skills:

•Solidworks - Proficient

• EES - Intermediate

•Origin - *Intermediate* 

ullet MATLAB - Proficient

• Microsoft Office - *Intermediate* 

ullet R - Basic

• Rep-Rap G-code - Proficient

• Adobe Animate - Intermediate

AutoCAD - Basic

#### **OTHER EXPERIENCE**

**Chemistry Tutor** Grupo Escalera, Universidad Simón Bolívar

**August 2012 - August 2013** 

• Taught inorganic and organic chemistry to senior high school students aiming to apply to higher education studies in a venezuelan institution.

President Asociación de Estudiantes de Ingeniería de Materiales- USB September 2014- July 2015

- Organized the event "V Convención Ingeniería de Materiales" where industry partners and experts presented on current topics related to Materials Engineering.
- Organized multiple events aimed at obtaining sponsorships or funding for the student organization.
- Organized industry visits where students could see manufacturing processes at work.
- Excelled at delegating and working with a team of like-minded individuals.

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# **PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

SPE ANTEC Anaheim, CA 2017

• Extrudate Mass Flow Rate Analysis in Fused Filament Fabrication (FFF): A Cursory Investigation of the Effects of Printer Parameters. Co-author.

**SFF 2017** Austin, TX **2017** 

• Towards a Robust Production of FFF End-User Parts with Improved Tensile Properties. Principal author and presenter.

SPE ANTEC Indianapolis, IN 2016

• *Optimization of the FDM*<sup>TM</sup> *Additive Manufacturing Process.* Co-author.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- Society of Plastics Engineers (SPE) member.
- Exchange student through the Rotary Youth Exchange Program (August 2008 to June 2009).
- Venezuelan and Italian citizenship.
- Holder of Brazilian permanent resident visa.