# Gerardo Andrés Mazzei Capote

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## **OBJECTIVE**

Full time employment in Mechanical or Manufacturing Engineering. Strong interest in plastic additive manufacturing technologies.

#### **EDUCATION**

- University of Wisconsin-Madison Madison, WI, U.S.A ongoing
  - Master of Science: Mechanical Engineering. Estimated graduation: August 2018.
  - GPA: 3.813 on a scale of 4.
- Universidad Simón Bolívar- Caracas, Venezuela:
  - Bachelor of Science: Materials Engineering. *Graduated on June 2016*.
  - GPA: 3.9375 on a scale of 5.

#### **SKILLS**

# Languages:

•Spanish: *Native language* 

• Portuguese and English: Advanced, near-native level

### Computer skills:

•Solidworks - Proficient

•EES - *Intermediate* 

•Origin - *Intermediate* 

• MATLAB - Proficient

• Microsoft Office - *Intermediate* 

•R - Basic

• Rep-Rap G-code - Proficient

• Adobe Animate - Intermediate

• AutoCAD - Basic

#### **RELEVANT EXPERIENCE**

#### **Graduate Student**

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 customized 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. <sup>1</sup>
- Used a novel criterion to develop a failure surface for FFF parts.
- Taught "ME370- Energy Systems Laboratory" to senior undergraduate students.
- Managed the Additive Manufacturing Laboratory of the Polymer Engineering Center from August 2017 to May 2018.

## Chemistry tutor Grupo Escalera, Universidad Simón Bolívar August 2012 - August 2015

- Implemented a variety of turnkey machining and automation solutions for both high-mix/low volume and high volume single product lines including automotive OEMs
- Provided customers with on-site 3, 4, and 5 axis CNC operations training
- Produced machine demonstrations and promotional videos
- Demonstrated a strong ability to troubleshoot complex problems in the field and over the phone

## Manufacturing Engineer short term contract Tempco Electric Heater Corp April 2012 - August 2012

- Upgraded permanent mold maintenance program
- Reduced lead times for cast-in heaters by creating efficient mold changeover procedures
- Performed root cause analysis on manufacturing defects

**Manufacturing Engineering Intern** 

Lexion Medical

May 2009 - September 2009

- Designed automated equipment to increase in house production volumes
- Fabricated, programmed, and implemented various automated machines
- Provided employee training on new equipment
- Installed, retooled, and performed initial operation of our first plastic extrusion line

## **Laboratory Supervisor**

UW-Stout Machining and CAM labs

School Year 2006-2010

- Developed jigs and fixtures for classes and specialty projects
- Trained students on machining equipment and computer software
- Supervised laboratory facilities to maintain a safe working environment
- Produced specialized parts for instructors and laboratory equipment

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#### **OTHER EXPERIENCE**

**Air Transportation Specialist** 

Raytheon Polar Services, Antarctica

Oct-Feb 2010 - 2011

- Operated a variety of heavy equipment to load/unload aircraft and transport cargo
- Assisted team members in safely and efficiently palletizing cargo
- Maintained a positive attitude while working in harsh environmental conditions

Machinist

Advance Industrial Machine

May 2010 - September 2010

- Programmed and operated Mazak mills and lathes
- Manufactured custom and short run parts from a variety of materials

Treasurer/Secretary

American Foundry Society UW-Stout Student Chapter

2008-2010

- Designed patterns and core boxes to produce castings for other organizations
- Researched materials and heat treating schedules to enhance mechanical properties

**Assistant Foreman** 

Outagamie Co. Highway Department

Summers 2005-2008

- Coordinated labor and equipment for several multimillion dollar projects
- Negotiated with customers to maintain positive relationships with the highway department
- Communicated with sub-contractors to keep everyone informed of their duties
- Consulted with independent inspectors to maintain quality workmanship

### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Society of Plastics Engineers (SPE)
- Society of Manufacturing Engineers
- American Foundry Society Student Chapter (AFS) Treasurer/Secretary
- Technology Education Collegiate Association (TECA) President
- Eagle Scout, Boy Scouts of America

## **LINKS**

<sup>1</sup>GitHub repository for Python tool path program - https://github.com/VanHulleOne/SciSlice LinkedIn profile - www.linkedin.com/in/luke-van-hulle