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## OBJECTIVE

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Full time employment in Mechanical or Manufacturing Engineering.

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

## EDUCATION

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- **University of Wisconsin-Madison** - *Madison, WI, U.S.A*
  - **PhD:** Mechanical Engineering (ongoing).
  - **MSc:** Mechanical Engineering (2018).
- **Universidad Simón Bolívar** - *Caracas, Venezuela*
  - **Bachelor of Science:** Materials Engineering (2016).

## ENGINEERING EXPERIENCE

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- PhD Candidate** 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.
  - Predicted part failure of 3D printed parts using a novel failure criterion.
  - Developed and produced 3D printed coupons with unusual bead orientations using a customized 6-axis robotic printer.
  - Worked closely with a company to develop a 3D printer with in-line sensors that allow capturing processing parameter data in real time.

## SKILLS

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**Polymer processing techniques:** Extrusion, Injection Molding

**Analysis techniques:** TGA, DSC, LFA, DMA,  $\mu$ CT

**Programming languages:** MATLAB, Python, R, RAPID, G-code

**Engineering software:** Solidworks, EES, Origin, Jupyter Notebooks

**Other software:** Microsoft Office Suite, Adobe Animate

**Languages:** English, Spanish, Portuguese

## OTHER EXPERIENCE

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**Teaching Assistant** University of Wisconsin-Madison **August 2017 - Present**  
Responsible for teaching and grading duties for 'ME370 - Energy Systems Lab', 'ME514 - Additive Manufacturing', and 'ME418 - Engineering Design with Polymers', all offered by the Mechanical Engineering Department.

**Vice President** Society of Plastic Engineers - Madison Chapter **August 2018- May 2020**  
Coordinated industry visits and outreach activities aimed at increasing the interest of engineering students in the field of polymer processing.

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## TECHNICAL PRESENTATIONS

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AMUG	Chicago, IL	2019
• <i>A novel failure criterion applied for Fused Filament Fabrication parts.</i>		
RAPID+TCT	Fort Worth, TX	2018
• <i>A Tensor Based Failure Criterion for FFF Manufactured Parts.</i>		
SFF	Austin, TX	2017
• <i>Towards a Robust Production of FFF End-User Parts with Improved Tensile Properties.</i>		

## PUBLICATIONS

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1. Gerardo A. Mazzei Capote et al. "Towards a Robust Production of FFF End-User Parts with Improved Tensile Properties". In: *Proceedings of the 28th Annual International Solid Freeform Fabrication Symposium – An Additive Manufacturing Conference*. Austin, TX, 2017, pp. 507–518
2. Gerardo A. Mazzei Capote et al. "Failure surface development for ABS fused filament fabrication parts". In: *Additive Manufacturing* 28.April (2019), pp. 169–175. ISSN: 22148604. DOI: [10.1016/j.addma.2019.05.005](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.addma.2019.05.005). URL: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.addma.2019.05.005>
3. Gerardo A. Mazzei Capote, Alec Redmann, and Tim A. Osswald. "Validating a Failure Surface Developed for ABS Fused Filament Fabrication Parts through Complex Loading Experiments". In: *Journal of Composites Science* 3.2 (2019). DOI: <https://doi.org/10.3390/jcs3020049>

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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