

# Hamza Dugmag *Electrical and Computer Engineering Student*

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## 🧠 SKILLS

### Hardware

Soldering, Oscilloscope, LTspice, KiCad, Synopsys VCS, Raspberry Pi, Arduino, Vector Network Analyzer, Fusion 360, 3D Printing

### Software

Python (NumPy, Pandas, PyPlot, SciPy, PyTorch), C, C++, ROS, SystemVerilog, MATLAB, Assembly, Git, Docker, Unreal Engine

## 📁 PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### RTL Design Engineer — PEY Intern, Intel Corporation — Programmable Solutions Group

May 2023 – present  
San Jose, CA, United States

- Explored microarchitectural logic design, timing analysis, verification, and benchmarking of Nios V, Intel's next-generation RISC-V embedded processor IP family for FPGAs.
- Optimized instruction pipelining via register balancing, control-based logic reuse, and FPGA primitive instantiation, improving area utilization by 20%, maximum frequency by 20%, and instructions per cycle by 5%.

### Robot Navigation Research Intern, UTIAS Autonomous Space Robotics Laboratory

May 2022 – Aug 2022  
Mississauga, ON, Canada

- Conducted field tests at various lakes to validate mapping, localization, and stochastic navigation of a Clearpath Heron autonomous surface vehicle.
- Generated satellite-informed water masks of Canadian lakes using GISs to create a Python-based simulation platform for evaluating different route-planning algorithms.
- Developed a graphical user interface using ROS and ReactJS to track the robot and visualize its navigation policy in real time.

### Engineering Academic Review Mentor, U of T Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering

Aug 2021 – Apr 2022  
Toronto, ON, Canada

- Hosted drop-in sessions to advise and support first-year Engineering Science students with their academic, professional, and personal development goals as they adjust to university.

### Machine Learning Research Intern, U of T Forcolab Group

May 2021 – Aug 2021  
Toronto, ON, Canada

- Conducted a literature review analyzing the potential of collaborative Stack Overflow posts to organize knowledge for improved searching and learning experiences.
- Investigated code clone detection models to compare educational code snippets to programming language documentation.
- Optimized parameters for hierarchical density-based clustering of Stack Overflow posts using Python, increasing precision by 11%.

## 🔍 RESEARCH

Yizhou Huang, **Hamza Dugmag**, Timothy D. Barfoot, and Florian Shkurti, "Stochastic Planning for ASV Navigation Using Satellite Images", 2023 IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA 2023) [paper] [📄](#) [website] [🌐](#)

Jul 2023

**Hamza Dugmag**, Arjun Sridharkumar, Iftekhar Ahmed, and Shurui Zhou, "Analyzing Stack Overflow Community Posts to Automate Knowledge Organization", 2021 University of Toronto Undergraduate Engineering Research Day Conference (UnERD 2021) [presentation] [📄](#)

Aug 2021

## 🎓 EDUCATION

**BASc in Engineering Science (Major in Electrical and Computer Engineering, PEY Co-op), Certificate in Engineering Business, University of Toronto (St. George)**

Sep 2020 – Jun 2025  
Toronto, ON, Canada

- 3.96/4.00 cGPA, 92% average, Dean's Honours List in all semesters.
- Courses: Electronic Circuits, Semiconductor Physics, Electromagnetic Waves, Computer Organization, Systems Software, Systems Control, Energy Systems, Design and Ethics.

## 🧩 PROJECTS

### University of Toronto Aerospace Team — Rocketry Division

#### Liquid Rocket Chief Engineer

Jun 2022 – Sep 2023

- Coordinated the design, analysis, fabrication, and testing of a high-altitude liquid-propellant rocket with 19.25 kNs of total impulse.
- Created the design requirements, concept of operations, and mass budget for avionics, propulsion, aerodynamics, airframe, recovery, and GSE subsystems.

- Organized a preliminary design review with advisors and communicated the project at onboarding sessions and team meetings to 50+ members.

#### Avionics Subsystem Lead

Jun 2021 – May 2022

- Managed a team to integrate flight and ground systems for wireless communication, power, sensors, actuators, and control in an award-winning hybrid-propellant rocket. [🔗](#)
- Designed surge-protected relay circuits to control DC motors with a *Raspberry Pi*, increasing power rating by a factor of 20.
- Formalized data acquisition methods to calibrate load cells and pressure transducers from a custom graphical user interface with 95% accuracy.

#### Electric Guitar Pedals

Dec 2022 – Jan 2023

- Designed a guitar distortion pedal based on a common-emitter NPN Darlington pair.
- Built a guitar tremolo pedal with true bypass switching using a phase shift oscillator.
- Soldered the electronics and packaged the boards in custom 3D-printed enclosures.



#### AWARDS

##### (C\$4984) Christina and Logan Martin Scholarship in Engineering,

Aug 2023

*U of T Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering*

Awarded on the basis of academic merit.

##### (C\$8942) Kenneth Carless Smith Award in Engineering Science,

Aug 2023

*U of T Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering*

Awarded by the chair on the basis of interest and aptitude in the area of electronics.

##### (C\$2676) Peter Sands Award in Engineering Science,

Aug 2022

*U of T Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering*

Awarded by the chair on the basis of academic merit, qualities of character, leadership, and commitment to the engineering profession.

##### (C\$9000) Undergraduate Student Research Award,

Mar 2022

*Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada*

Awarded on the basis of academic merit and research potential.

##### (C\$27000) Fessenden-Trott Scholarship, Universities Canada

Sep 2021

Selected among nominees across Ontario universities on the basis of academic merit, leadership, extracurricular involvement, and reference letters.

##### (C\$5000) Dean's Summer Undergraduate Research Pivot Award,

Sep 2021

*U of T Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering*

Participated in the *Undergraduate Summer Research Program*.

##### Amateur Radio Operator Certificate (Basic with Honours),

Jul 2021

*Innovation, Science, and Economic Development Canada*

VA3UFT call sign, 100% exam score.

##### (C\$2000) May Court Education Award, May Court Club of Oakville

Jun 2020

Awarded on the basis of extracurricular involvement and reference letter.

##### (C\$2000) Rotary Education Award, Rotary Club of Oakville

Jun 2020

Awarded on the basis of academic merit and community service.

##### (C\$2000) Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering Award,

May 2020

*U of T Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering*

Awarded on the basis of academic merit.

##### (C\$5000) Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering Admission Scholarship,

May 2020

*U of T Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering*

Awarded on the basis of academic merit and extracurricular involvement.