

# Helen Cho

## 2B MECHATRONICS ENGINEERING

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**Summary:** Goal driven mechatronics major having a broad experience in programming, automation and research with a passion for technology

### KEY SKILLS

Windows/Mac OS  
MS Office  
PCBs and Soldering  
AutoCAD/SolidWorks  
Metal/Wood Shop  
Alpha 5 Database

### PROGRAMMING

C++, C and C#  
HTML/CSS  
MATLAB  
XBasic

### KEY STRENGTHS

Innovative Thinking  
Self-motivation  
Quick Learner  
Organization  
Diligence

### AWARDS

Dean's Honours List  
President Research Award  
Scholarship of Distinction

### RESEARCH CONTRIBUTIONS

Abstract at International Tri-biology Conference Tokyo, 2015  
❖ Estimating Fluid Film Thickness in a Hydromechanical Stimulator for Chondrocytes in Agarose

Poster at International Conference of Biotribology Toronto, 2014

❖ Static Friction Forces for PSCA Against Simulated and Bovine Trabecular Bone

### CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

#### DESIGN ENGINEERING STUDENT May – Aug 2015 Automation Engineering Associates Ltd • Toronto, ON

- + Established relational database for storing HVAC system data using Alpha 5
- + Designed and developed a desktop application that allowed methodical entry of data into the database and that automatically generated required approval documents for different job sites
- + Gained significant knowledge in HVAC automation by having hands on experience with HVAC equipment and controllers
- + Improved ability to make decisions and solve problems by planning and executing the database project independently

#### SOFTWARE QUALITY ANALYST Sept – Dec 2014 Infrastructures for Information i4i • Toronto, ON

- + Tested i4i's custom products in a detail-oriented manner while actively interacting with developers to maintain high level of quality assurance
- + Developed an application in C# that converts Excel files into XML to automate annual reporting of client information

#### BIOMECHANICS RESEARCH ASSISTANT Jan – May 2014 University of Waterloo • Waterloo, ON

- + Implemented experimental procedures for bio-tribological analysis of porous surfaced cobalt alloys knee implants and trabecular bones
- + Performed data analysis using MS Excel and produced 3D models of the test apparatus using SolidWorks

### PROJECTS

#### SILENT SCHEDULE Sept – Present 2015

- + Initiated the development of an Android application that automatically silences user's phone according to calendar schedule and/or location

#### ARDUINO CALIPER April 2015

- + Designed and built a measurement device controlled by Arduino that uses a stepper motor and rack & pinion gears to measure dimensions of objects

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## ACTIVITIES

### EXECUTIVE

Aug – Present 2015

#### The Association of Korean-Canadian Scientists and Engineers ▪ Waterloo, ON

- + Founded the Waterloo division of the nation-wide association, AKCSE, to provide networking opportunities for the University of Waterloo science and engineering students
- + Organized events and prepared presentations for first year science and engineering students

### BIOTRIBOLOGY RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Jan – Present 2015

#### University of Waterloo ▪ Waterloo, ON

- + Investigated lubrication mechanics of hydrostatic bearing indenters used in an elaborate hydromechanical stimulation of chondrocytes in agarose construct
- + Demonstrated high level of initiative by constantly seeking for additional tasks and alternative analytical approaches

### CONTESTANT

Aug 2015

#### Hack the North ▪ Waterloo, ON

- + A 36 hour hackathon hosted at the University of Waterloo for selected individuals
- + Strived to develop a web application that allows efficient delivery system through one's network of friends

### TAEKWONDO INSTRUCTOR

Dec 2011 - Feb 2013

#### Kwang Lee TaeKwonDo ▪ Mississauga, ON

- + Certified 3<sup>rd</sup> degree black belt with several competition experiences
- + Motivated students aged from 5 to 18 to improve their physical strength, endurance and discipline

## EDUCATION

### CANDIDATE FOR BACHELOR OF APPLIED SCIENCE IN MECHATRONICS ENGINEERING

#### University of Waterloo

Sept 2013 – Present

### RELEVANT COURSES

- + **Real-Time Systems** – Gained knowledge in design, implementation and testing of real-time systems
- + **Sensors and Instrumentation** – Designed and built signal conditioning circuits for robot sensors and actuators
- + **Microprocessors and Digital Logic** – Provided an understanding of computer, architecture, and microprocessor design with hands-on experience in simulation of FPGAs and PLCs
- + **Data Structures and Algorithms** – Practiced effective software development by learning how to build efficient data structures and algorithms in C++
- + **Mechanics of Deformable Solids** – Analyzed mechanical response of materials and stress-strain relationships
- + **Structure and Properties of Materials** – Studied relevance of materials to engineering practice