# **Brandon Le**

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#### **Education**

#### MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Cambridge, MA

GPA: 4.40/5.00

Candidate for Bachelors of Science in Aerospace Engineering

June 2015

• Related Coursework: Classical Mechanics, Electricity and Magnetism, Solid-State Chemistry, Differential Equations, Computer and Engineering Problem Solving, Statistics and Probability, Numerical Simulations (G)

### EL CAMINO HIGH SCHOOL

Oceanside, CA

GPA: 4.44/5.00 June 2011

## **Experience**

#### **DYNAMO MICROPOWER, Intern**

Boston, MA June-Aug. 2012

- Designed compressor and turbine blade geometries to maximize efficiency of portable turbine generator
- Performed computational fluid dynamics analysis for compressor and turbine blades

# MIT SPACE SYSTEMS LABORATORY, Intern

Cambridge, MA Oct. 2011-May 2012

- Designed, machined, and assembled new air-carriage test stands for satellite docking
- Tested autonomous satellite docking and close-proximity interactions by programming and altering hardware to improve guidance

# NASA GODDARD SPACE FLIGHT CENTER, Intern

Greenbelt, MD

- Designed and modeled the High Inertial Loads Mount (HILM), created to attach instruments Jan-Feb. 2012 to aircraft for flight testing
- Analyzed the structural integrity of the HILM and presented the design concept to engineers for fabrication

### NASA AMES RESEARCH CENTER, Intern

Moffett Field, CA

- Worked with engineers to locate malfunctioning UH-60 Helicopter sensors by analyzing transducer outputs for pressure anomalies
- Verified new computational fluid dynamics program performance by cross-referencing body-pressure outputs with wind tunnel data
- Constructed and analyzed grids for design-concept commercial large-civil-tiltrotor interaction with airport terminal in order to determine optimal helipad placement

# NASA DRYDEN FLIGHT RESEARCH CENTER, Intern

Edwards, CA

- Conducted flight testing on Dryden's Remotely Operated Integrated Drone (DROID)

  June-Aug. 2010

  on lake bed and collected performance data such as efficiency, thrust, and drag
- · Analyzed flight data for aerodynamic characteristics and baselined drone for future use as experimental aircraft

# Leadership and

#### EL CAMINO ENGINEERING CLUB, Founder, President

Aug-June 2009-2011

- Activities
- Created Engineering Club to apply school subjects to projects
- Organized 20+ students' visits to local college engineering labs by contacting lab director and coordinating transportation
- Built model rocket and contacted certified launchsite for launch event

# INTERACT CLUB (High school club sponsored by Rotary for community service)

Aug-June 2009-2011

Treasurer, Leadership Committee

- Managed funds from fundraisers by allocating donations to charities, water projects, etc.
- Coordinated school-wide food and clothes drives by advertising event, distributing donation boxes, and sorting items for pick-up
- Organized community projects; river/beach cleanup, soup kitchen help, community beautification, etc.

Honors and Awards

# NATIONAL AP SCHOLAR, AP SCHOLAR WITH DISTINCTION

2011 2011

JACK CASSAN FLIGHT SCHOLARSHIP, Awarded to assist obtain a private pilot's license ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARD, Award for community service and leadership

SIMON SCHOLARS SCHOLARSHIP, Awarded based on financial need

2010 2009

**COMPUTER**: Windows, Java, Microsoft Office, Adobe Photoshop, Solidworks, AutoCAD, ANSYS **LANGUAGES**: Basic familiarity with French and Vietnamese