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EDUCATION

CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY Master of Science in Computational Design May 2026

Pittsburgh, PA, USA

Relevant Courses: Java for Application Programmers, Data Structures for Application

Programmers, Generative Modeling, Fundamentals of Programming & Computer Science

TSINGHUA UNIVERSITY

June 2024

Beijing, China

Bachelor of Architecture Relevant Courses: Calculus A(1), Computer Aided Architectural Design Method, C++ Programming, Architectural Mathematics, Structural Engineering and Building Structure

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Architectural Robotics Research Assistant

School of Architecture, Carnegie Mellon University

September 2024–December 2024

Pittsburgh, PA, USA

Designed a customized 3D binder jet printer with robotic arms specifically for processing construction and demolition (C&D) fines, optimizing printing efficiency under the guidance of Professor Joshua Bard.

Dec 2023-May 2024

Department of Building Science and Technology, Tsinghua University

Beijing, China

- Explored human-centered design approaches and advanced automated systems development, including Python-based optimization algorithms and automation machines for complex digital fabrication installations.
- Developed a C++ program to control and manage serial communication between electronic components (Inkjet Printhead Controller, Arduino, stepper motors, encoders, etc.) and built an automated rod labeling machine from scratch, reducing installation time by over 33% in real-world weaving structure installation.
- Engineered a pipeline for woven structures using Kangaroo, Grasshopper, and Python, enabling efficient prototyping and mass simulations. Achieved the transformation of 2D metal pipes into irregular 3D-curved forms, successfully applied in complex digital fabrication installations.

Intern Architect May 2023-August 2023

MAD Architects

AEON Labs

Beijing, China

Collaborated on parametric design and detailed construction tasks at *industrial level*, rationalizing non-uniform surfaces and parameterizing paneling on irregular geometries with Rhino and Grasshopper. Facilitated the practical implementation of complex parametric 3D models for construction.

Virtual Space Designer

July 2022-Feb 2023

Beijing, China

Created virtual spaces based on Web 3.0 context, including an interactive VR showroom for a commercial brand, using Unreal Engine and Blender for model creation.

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Research on 3D-printed Standardized Small-Scale Architectural Model Joints

July 2023

School of Architecture, Tsinghua University, Advisor: Professor Ning Zhu

Co-authored paper pending publication and presented at Symbiotic Intelligence: Proceedings of 6th International Conference on Computational Design and Robotic Fabrication (CDRF 2024).

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIP

Carnegie Mellon University Architecture Merit Scholarship

2024-2025

Tsinghua University-Malaysia Outstanding Undergraduate Students Scholarship

2018-2023

SKILLS

Programming language: Python, C++, Java

Frameworks & Tools: Adobe Creative Suite, Blender, Arduino, AutoCAD, Rhinoceros 3D, Grasshopper 3D, Kangaroo,

Unity, SketchUp, OpenCV

Expertise: Digital fabrication, automation, 3D printing, Computational Design, 3D Modeling

Languages: English (IELTS 7.5), Chinese, Malay, Cantonese