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EDUCATION

CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY Master of Science in Computational Design

May 2026

June 2024

Beijing, China

Pittsburgh, PA, USA

Relevant Courses: Inquiry into Computational Design, Data Structures for Application

Programmers, Introduction to Deep Learning, Web Applications Development

TSINGHUA UNIVERSITY 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

September 2024–December 2024

Pittsburgh, PA, USA

School of Architecture, Carnegie Mellon University

Research and proposed design for customized 3D binder jet printer with robotic arms, combining Arduino and industrial printhead for processing construction and demolition (C&D) fines, optimizing print efficiency.

Research Assistant December 2023-May 2024

Department of Building Science and Technology, Tsinghua University

Beijing, China

- Developed a computational pipeline for woven structures using Kangaroo, Grasshopper, and Python, enabling efficient prototyping and transforming 2D metal pipes into complex 3D-curved forms for large-scale fabrication.
- Bridged computational design with real-world fabrication, collaborating with teams to optimize installation processes and integrate 3D-twisted metal rods and metal pipe systems into 4m × 4m × 3m installations.

Intern Architect May 2023-August 2023

MAD Architects

Beijing, China

Optimized parametric design and industrial-scale construction by computerizing paneling workflow for irregular geometries in Rhino + Grasshopper 3d, reducing material waste and construction complexity by eliminating intricate edge panels while enhancing visual coherence.

Virtual Space Designer

July 2022-February 2023

AEON Labs

Beijing, China

Developed Web 3.0-related content, including an interactive VR showroom for commercial brands, using Unreal Engine and Blender for model creation.

PROJECT EXPERIENCE

Build by Motion | Carnegie Mellon University

January 2025

- Developed an interactive design experiment leveraging the Model-View-Controller (MVC) framework, plus *OpenCV for* gesture capture and recognition. Engineered custom 3D-to-2D projection algorithm by deriving mathematical formulas.
- Implemented the *Catmull-Clark subdivision algorithm* to generate smooth geometry, enhancing interaction quality.

Weaving Structure Optimization | Tsinghua University

January 2025

- Applied human-centered design principles from firsthand installation experience to identify inefficiencies in weaving structure assembly, leading the development of automated fabrication solutions that enhanced scalability, precision, and streamlined complex workflows.
- Developed automated fabrication system using *Python-based data-driven structural analysis* to optimize the installation sequence of bending-active weaving structures. Implemented C++-based serial communication to control Inkjet Printhead Controllers, Arduino, stepper motors, and encoders, reducing installation time by over 33% in real-world applications.

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIP

Carnegie Mellon University Architecture Merit Scholarship

2024-2025

Tsinghua University-Malaysia Outstanding Undergraduate Students Scholarship

2018-2023

SKILLS

Programming language: Python, Java, HTML, CSS, JavaScript

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

Unity, SketchUp, OpenCV, Django, Pytorch

Expertise: Digital Fabrication, Automation, 3D printing, Computational Design, 3D Modeling, Generative Modeling

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