

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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### EDUCATION

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**Washington University in St. Louis**, *St. Louis, MO* *Expected: May 2025*  
B.S. Mechanical Engineering GPA: 4.00/4.00

**Truman State University**, *Kirksville, MO* *Expected: May 2024*  
B.A. Physics, Mathematics minor GPA: 3.91/4.00

- Physics/Engineering Dual-Degree Program with Washington University in St. Louis

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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**Brookhaven National Laboratory** - *Student Collaborator*, Upton, NY *Sum 2023*

- Supplementary Undergraduate Research Program (SURP) (see: *Resonance Capture Widths for the Bayesian Resonance Reclassifier*)
- Wrote a detailed research report and presented my summer work to a laboratory audience
- Assisted new interns with learning Git and understanding the BRR code base

**Brookhaven National Laboratory** - *Student Collaborator*, Upton, NY *Sum 2022*

- Science Undergraduate Laboratory Internship (SULI) program. A 10 week internship at the National Nuclear Data Center (NNDC) researching machine learning in nuclear physics. (see: *Accuracy Correlation in Neutron Resonance Reclassification*)
- Wrote a detailed research report and presented my summer work to a laboratory audience

### RESEARCH

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**[Resonance Capture Widths for the Bayesian Resonance Reclassifier](#)** *Sum 2023*  
Faculty mentor: Gustavo Nobre - *NNDC, Brookhaven National Laboratory*

- Used Python machine learning methods to train an algorithm for reclassifying Pb-206 neutron resonances
- Sampled capture widths from a Porter-Thomas distribution to create more realistic synthetic training data for the Bayesian Resonance Reclassifier.

**Accuracy Correlation in Neutron Resonance Reclassification***Sum 2022*Faculty mentor: Gustavo Nobre - *NNDC, Brookhaven National Laboratory*

- Used machine learning to train an algorithm for correcting neutron resonances
- Explored Python machine learning methods
- Learned how properties of isotopes were reflected in an algorithm's success
- Developed an iterative learning method for incrementally improving the success of an algorithm

**Interface for Starlink Satellite Observations***August 2021 - March 2022*Faculty mentor: Vayujeet Gokhale - *Dept. of Physics, Truman State University*

- Developed a user interface with Python for planning satellite observations

**SKILLS**

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- **Coding Languages:** Python, C, C++, Shell scripting, LaTeX, HTML, Octave, Mathematica, MATLAB
- **Processing/Editors:** Microsoft Office, Vim
- **Technical/Laboratory:** Technical writing, basic analog & digital electronics
- **Other:** Solidworks, Linux command line, Computer clusters, OnShape, Git

**RELEVANT COURSEWORK**

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- **Physics:** Physics I & II, Vibrations & Waves, Intermediate Laboratory, Modern Physics I & II, Electronics, Mathematical Physics, Classical Mechanics, Electricity & Magnetism
- **Engineering:** Statics and Mechanics of Materials, Computer Aided Design, Thermodynamics, Fluid Mechanics, Solid Mechanics, Vibrations
- **Mathematics:** Calculus I, II, & III, Foundations of Mathematics, Linear Algebra, Ordinary Differential Equations, Statistics, Methods of Optimization
- **Computer Science:** Foundations of Computer Science I & II (C++), Computing Structures

- **Other:** Chemical Principles 1

## ACTIVITIES

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### WashU Robotics - *MATE ROV team member*

*2023 - present*

- Member on the MATE ROV underwater robotics team
- Designed a vertical profiling buoyancy engine

### Society of Physics Students - *Demo Chair*

*2020 - 2023*

- Organize, develop, and perform physics demos
- Inform/encourage students to engage in research activities
- Weekly commitment to volunteer physics tutoring
- Wrote and proctored exams for 2022 & 2023 Science Olympiads (“Crave the Wave” and “Remote Sensing”)

### Dark Sky TSU

*Fall 2021 - Spring 2022*

- Group at Truman State University dedicated to light pollution education and outreach

### Competitive Math

*December 2022*

- Participated in the 2022 Putnam competition

## PROJECTS OF NOTE

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### [TerminalGraphingCalculator](#)

*2023*

- A 3D graphing calculator that runs in the terminal. 3D parametrized equations are projected onto a 2D plane (the screen) and each “pixel” is represented using an ASCII character

## CONFERENCES

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- American Physical Society - Division of Nuclear Physics and Japan Physical Society joint Fall 2023 meeting. Hilton Waikoloa Village, The Big Island, HI, Nov 27-Dec 1.
- American Physical Society - Division of Nuclear Physics Fall 2022 meeting. Hyatt Regency Hotel, New Orleans, LA, October 29-31.

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**AWARDS & HONORS**

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**Conference Experience for Undergraduates 2023***September 2023*

- Competitive research abstract award and invitation to the APS Division of Nuclear Physics and The Physical Society of Japan joint Fall 2023 meeting on the Big Island, Hawaii.

**Conference Experience for Undergraduates 2022***August 2022*

- Competitive research abstract award. An invitation to the poster presentation at the APS DNP Fall 2022 meeting in New Orleans, LA.

**Sigma Pi Sigma Honor Society***May 2022*

- Recognized for service and academic scholarship in physics.