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## Experience

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### United States Air Force

*Military Officer*

**May 2023 - Present**

*Columbus, MS*

- Oversee planning, design, and maintenance of base infrastructure and facilities to ensure operational readiness.

### Virginia Tech

*Graduate Research Assistant*

**August 2023 - December 2024**

*Blacksburg, VA*

- **Thesis:** Retrofit of Reinforced Concrete Beams using Externally Bonded and Unbonded Fiber Metal Laminate
- Conducted four-point bending tests on concrete beams retrofitted with advanced fiber metal laminate composites.
- Created predictive models for various laminate layups and anchorage configurations to predict structural performance.
- Publication: [Virginia Tech Digital Repository](#)

### Virginia Military Institute

*Undergraduate Research Assistant*

**May 2022 - May 2023**

*Lexington, VA*

- **Thesis:** Aggregate Optimization of High Strength Fiber-Reinforced Concrete
- Tested various local aggregate gradations to develop Ultra High Performance Concrete (UHPC) specimens.
- Presented research findings at Marshall University ASCE Conference and ACI Convention in San Francisco.

### Virginia Military Institute

*Tutor*

**May 2021 - May 2023**

*Lexington, VA*

- Provided one-on-one tutoring in calculus, differential equations, and probability to 15+ students weekly.
- Taught material mechanics and statics concepts to 20+ students weekly in a classroom setting.

## Education

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### Virginia Tech

*M.S. in Civil Engineering (Structural Engineering and Materials)*

**August 2023 - December 2024**

*Blacksburg, VA*

- GPA: 3.64/4.0
- Air Force Institute of Technology Graduate Scholarship Recipient

### Virginia Military Institute

*B.S. in Civil and Environmental Engineering*

**August 2019 - May 2023**

*Lexington, VA*

- GPA: 3.80/4.0
- Institute Honors Program Graduate
- Leadership: Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honor Society (Vice President), ASCE Student Chapter
- Four-Year Air Force ROTC Scholarship Recipient

## Skills & Certifications

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**Technical Skills:** Structural Analysis, Concrete Design, FEA Modeling, Materials Testing, Composite Materials

**Engineering Software:** AutoCAD, RISA, MASTAN, MathCAD, Microsoft Excel

**Finite Element Analysis:** ATENA, Abaqus

**Programming:** MATLAB, Python, LaTeX, Javascript

**Professional:** Engineer in Training (EIT) Certification, Secret Security Clearance (Adjudicated January 2022)