JOSHUA DONALDSON

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CHEMICAL ENGINEER | PROCESS ENGINEER

Delivering insights into engineering processes that drive continuous success for the organization

Proactive and solutions-driven professional with strong career interests in the areas of chemical and process engineering. Highly adept at leading engineering projects from conception through to production. Provides on-going recommendations for efficiencies that cut costs, save on resources and improve bottom line profits. Offers a strong willingness to go above and beyond while providing creative solutions that enhance daily operations. Currently seeking to leverage such skills to support plant and manufacturing operations within the oil & gas, mineral processing or chemical industries.

- Chemical Engineering
- Process Engineering & Design
- > Contractor Relations

- Process Control & Design
- Data Analysis & Reporting
- Client Relationship Management

- Project Management
- > Teamwork & Collaboration
- Public Speaking & Presentations

Technical Proficiencies: ASPEN Plus, HYSYS, PI Process Book, Microsoft Office Suite, SAP, Python, Golang, Java, MATLAB, SolidWorks

Professional Experience

2019 to Present • UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA | CYANARA CAPSTONE DESIGN • Vancouver, BC, Canada The University of British Columbia is a global public research institution ranked among the top three for performance in Canada.

Team Member (2019 to Present)

In this engineering design and controls-oriented role, participate in the development of a new plant to address and treat cyanide leaching in gold mines using pure Sulphur dioxide.

- Design the control scheme and narrative surrounding the combustion of Sulphur using pure oxygen.
- Accurately size equipment to include reactors, melting tanks, pumps, and filters.
- Create Process Flow Diagrams (PFDs), Piping and Instrumentation Diagrams (P&IDs) and other drawings vital to the plant's design.
- Conducted a hazard and operability study (HAZOP) on P&IDs to reveal areas of improvement.

Project Captain | Advisor (2017 to Present)

Lead a design team comprised of 15 students within the UBC Envision Brewing Project. Oversee the continuous development of innovative technology for the home brewing industry.

- Manage daily project activities to include team leadership, research, quality control, and data analysis.
- Cultivate relationships with sponsors, acquire funding and author standard operating procedures to support ongoing development activities.
- Presented the objectives of the project to 100+ constituents during the 2017 Annual American Institute of Chemical Engineering Conference.
- **Noteworthy Accomplishment** Designed an automated brewing system with Raspberry Pi based pH, temperature and gravity sensors with the ability to sync application information in real-time.
- Noteworthy Accomplishment Project received formal recognition and press within the Globe and Mail newspaper.

2019 • RIO TINTO ALCAN • Kitimat, BC, Canada

Rio Tinto Alcan is a global mining and exploration company that processes natural mineral sources.

Carbon Process Co-op | Process Engineer

Reported directly to the Carbon Process Coordinator and maintained responsibility for ensuring high-quality production and carbon processing. Supervised and motivated operators across four work shifts. Monitored process performance and presented findings, including KPI results, to senior leaders and technical team members.

- Identified areas of improvement within daily workflows; created automated Smart data sheets to report on process parameter data, streamlining processes.
- Provided equipment and process troubleshooting support, took accurate induction furnace refractory measurements, made cast iron recipe and chemical adjustments, and initiated start-up anode inspections.

- Successfully coordinated the largest cost savings initiative of the year—the Alumina Recycling Program—saving the company an estimated \$4.5MM over four years.
- Led further cost savings of \$300K per year by implementing a steel recycling program in the induction furnaces.
- Noteworthy Accomplishment Served as Project Manager for the Contaminated Alumina Recycling project; leveraged knowledge of Kaizen and Black Belt methodologies to review existing equipment, identify improvement opportunities to support recycling activities and achieve cost savings.

2018 • CRAFT METRICS • Vancouver, BC, Canada

Craft Metrics specializes in sensor analytics and data mining to support a wide portfolio of craft beverage industry clients.

Quality Control Engineer

Onboarded to support the engineering domain within a start-up environment. Provided technical support, subject matter expertise and insights that quickly moved the company to achieve profitable performance.

- Successfully pitched products and services to acquire new clients in the academic and industrial domains; provided support to a portfolio comprised of 30+ customers.
- Contributed to DevOps processes by ensuring the seamless implementation and quality control of newly developed software systems.
- Created a new data cleaning and batching algorithm resulting in increased customer adherence and revenue generation; further developed an algorithm to model fermentation systems using reaction kinetics in industrial breweries.
- **Noteworthy Accomplishment** Lent expertise as a Project Coordinator and Inventor during the FermTools research project; leveraged Python to analyze and compare fermentation batches resulting in the development of a machine learning algorithm that improved the accuracy of time-series data streams during batch processing.

Volunteerism

KELOWNA ACTORS STUDIO, KELOWNA, BC, VANCOUVER • Stage Manager (2012-2014) | In this leadership role, ensured seamless operations within a fast-paced theatre setting. Led a team of cast and crew members through a successful run, addressed challenges during the run, reported on findings to owners and directors, and implemented changes to achieve a successful show.

Education & Training

UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA • Bachelor of Science - Chemical Engineering (Process Specialty) (Expected May 2020)

RELEVANT COURSES • TensorFlow, DevOps, Process Control, Chemical Engineering Laboratory, Chemical Engineering Thermodynamics, Fluid Mechanics, Heat Transfer, Interfacial Phenomena, Electrochemistry, Chemical Engineering Process Design, Process Synthesis

Professional Affiliations

ENGINEERS AND GEOSCIENTISTS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA (EGBC) • Student Member

AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF CHEMICAL ENGINEERING (AICHE) • Student Member

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF BREWING CHEMISTS • Member