# James D. Rosenthal

	Education	
2018-Present	University of Washington	Seattle, WA
	Ph.D. in Electrical & Computer Engineering, Certificate in Neural Engineering	
	Focus Area: Ultra-Low Power Wireless Communications	
2016-2018	University of Washington	Seattle, WA
	Master's of Science in Electrical & Computer Engineering	
2008-2013	University of Minnesota-Twin Cities	Minneapolis, MN
	Bachelor's of Science in Electrical Engineering	
	Teaching Experience	
2016-2021	University of Washington	Seattle, WA
W'2021	Instructor of Record: EE417 Modern Wireless Communications	
W'2020	Instructor of Record: EE417 Modern Wireless Communications	
S'2018	TA: EE595 Advanced Topics in Communications	
W'2018	TA: EE393 Technical Writing & Communication	
F'2017	TA: EE393 Technical Writing & Communication	
S'2017	TA: EE393 Technical Writing & Communication	
W'2017	TA: EE271 Intro to Digital Design	
F'2016	TA: EE271 Intro to Digital Design	
	Professional Experience	
2016-2020	University of Washington	Seattle, WA
	Research assistant developing embedded systems for biomedical applications	
2019	ViaSat	Tempe, AZ
	RF Design/Simulation Engineering Intern	
2013-2017	NASA Langley Research Center	Hampton, VA
	GPX-2 Nanosatellite Avionics Lead	
	RaD-X High-Altitude Balloon Avionics Lead	
	OAAN Nanosatellite Avionics Lead	
	Autonomy Incubator Drone Hardware Engineer	
2013	Synapse Product Development	Seattle, WA
	Consumer Product Electrical Engineering Intern	
2012	Airbus	Toulouse, France
	Digital Wireless Modem Electrical Engineering Intern	
2011-2012	University of Minnesota UAV Research Group	Minneapolis, MN
	Research Assistant/UAV Test Pilot	
2010	University of Arizona Neurorobotics Laboratory	Tucson, AZ
	Embedded Electronics Research Assistant	
2009-2010	University of Minnesota UAV Research Group	Minneapolis, MN
	Research Assistant/UAV Test Pilot	

# Grants & Scholarships

- 2019 Bergstrom Award for Art & Science, Co-Investigator with Afroditi Psarra
- 2018 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellow (NSF GRFP)
- 2018 NASA Space Technology Research Fellowship (declined for NSF GRFP)
- 2011 Roger M. Nordby Engineering Scholarship
- 2009 New Look Laser Technologies Essay Scholarship Winner
- 2008 Academy of Model Aeronautics Student Achievement Scholarship
- 2008-2012 University of Minnesota Gopher Gold Scholarship

#### Honors

- 2020 **UW ECE Research Showcase Winner**A 25 Mbps, 12.4 pJ/bit Backscatter Data Uplink for the NeuroDisc BCI (J2)
- 2019 **IEEE Wireless Sensor Networks Conference** Student Paper Award Finalist (C5 & C6)
- 2017 NASA Group Achievement Award Autonomy Incubator
- 2016 NASA Group Achievement Award Radiation Dosimetry Experiment (C3)

#### Publications Under Review

1. **J. Rosenthal**, A. Pike, S. Reyes, and M.S. Reynolds, "Electronic Mode Stirring for Improved Backscatter Communication Link Margin in a Reverberant Cavity Animal Cage Environment," *IEEE Trans. on Antennas and Propagation*, submitted Jan. 2021.

# Peer-Reviewed Publications (J-journal, C-conference)

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- J4. J. Rosenthal and M.S. Reynolds, "Hardware-Efficient All-Digital Architectures for OFDM Backscatter Modulators," IEEE Trans. on Microwave Theory and Techniques, vol. 69, no. 1, pp. 803-811, lan. 2021
- **J3**. **Rosenthal** and M.S. Reynolds, "A 1.0 Mbps 198 pJ/bit Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) Compatible Single Sideband Backscatter Uplink for the NeuroDisc Brain-Computer Interface," *IEEE Trans. on Microwave Theory and Techniques*, vol. 67, no. 10, pp. 4015–4022, Oct. 2019.
- **J2**. **J. Rosenthal**, A. Sharma, E. Kampianakis, M.S. Reynolds, "A 25 Mbps, 12.4 pJ/bit Backscatter Data Uplink for the NeuroDisc Brain Computer Interface," *IEEE Trans. on Biomedical Circuits and Systems*, vol. 13, no. 5, pp. 858–867, Oct. 2019.
- J1. A. Sharma, E. Kampianakis, J. Rosenthal, A. Pike, A. Dadkhah, and M.S. Reynolds, "Wideband UHF DQPSK Backscatter Communications in Reverberant Cavity Animal Cage Environments," *IEEE Trans. on Antennas and Propagation*, vol. 67, no. 8, pp. 5002–5011, 2019.
- **C12**. **J. Rosenthal** and M.S. Reynolds, "On-the-fly Adaptation of Backscatter Modulator Impedances Using Digitally-Tuned Capacitors," *IEEE Topical Conference on Wireless Sensors and Sensor Networks (WiSNet)*, January 2021.
- **C11**. T. Petrie, **J. Rosenthal**, and M.S. Reynolds, "A Low-Cost 1 Mbps Frequency Shift Keying Backscatter Receiver and Carrier Wave Generator System for Wireless Neural Recording," *IEEE Conference on RFID*, Virtual, 2020.
- **C10**. **J. Rosenthal** and M.S. Reynolds, "A Dual-Band Shared-Hardware 900 MHz 6.25 Mbps DQPSK and 2.4 GHz 1.0 Mbps Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) Backscatter Uplink for Wireless Brain-Computer Interfaces," *IEEE Conference on RFID*, Virtual, 2020.
- **C9**. **J. Rosenthal** and M.S. Reynolds, "All-Digital Single Sideband (SSB) Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) Backscatter with an Inductor-free, Digitally-Tuned Capacitance Modulator," *IEEE International Microwave Symposium*, Virtual, 2020.

- **C8**. L. Arjona, **J. Rosenthal**, J.R. Smith, and C.T. Moritz, "High Performance Flexible Protocol for Backscattered-based Neural Implants," *2019 IEEE-APS Topical Conference on Antennas and Propagation in Wireless Communications (APWC)*, Granada, Spain, 2019, pp. 276-280.
- C7. J. Rosenthal, A. Pike, and M.S. Reynolds, "A 1 Mbps 158 pJ/bit Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) Compatible Backscatter Communication Uplink for Wireless Neural Recording in an Animal Cage Environment," *IEEE Conference on RFID*, 2019, pp. 1-6.
- **C6**. **J. Rosenthal** and M.S. Reynolds, "A 158 pJ/bit 1.0 Mbps Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) Compatible Backscatter Communication System for Wireless Sensing," *IEEE Topical Conference on Wireless Sensors and Sensor Networks (WiSNet*), Orlando, FL, USA, 2019, pp. 1-3.
- **C5**. A. Dadkhah, **J. Rosenthal**, and M.S. Reynolds, "ZeroScatter: Zero-Added-Component Backscatter Communication using Existing Digital I/O Pins," *2019 IEEE Topical Conference on Wireless Sensors and Sensor Networks (WiSNet)*, Orlando, FL, USA, 2019, pp. 1-3.
- **C4**. **J. Rosenthal**, A. Sharma, E. Kampianakis, and M.S. Reynolds, "A 6.25 Mbps, 12.4 pJ/bit DQPSK Backscatter Wireless Uplink for the NeuroDisc Brain-Computer Interface," *2018 IEEE Biomedical Circuits and Systems Conference (BioCAS)*, Cleveland, OH, 2018, pp. 1-4.
- **C3**. **J. Rosenthal**, B. Hayes, and C. Mertens. "A Silicon Micro Dosimeter for High-Altitude Measurements of Cosmic Radiation," *2018 IEEE Aerospace Conference*, Big Sky, MT, 2018, pp. 1-7.
- **C2**. J. Pei, L. Murchison, A. Ben Shabat, V. Stewart, **J. Rosenthal**, et al. "Ground Demonstration on the Autonomous Docking of Two 3U Cubesats using a Novel Permanent-Magnet Docking Mechanism." *55th AIAA Aerospace Sciences Meeting*, 2017.
- **C1**. J. Pei, L. Murchison, A. Ben Shabat, V. Stewart, **J. Rosenthal**, et al. "Autonomous Rendezvous and Docking of Two 3U Cubesats Using a Novel Permanent-Magnet Docking Mechanism." *54th AIAA Aerospace Sciences Meeting*, 2016.

#### Posters, Presentations, and Demos

- Presentation "On-the-fly Adaptation of Backscatter Modulator Impedances Using Digitally-Tuned Capacitors,"", *IEEE WiSNet*, 2021.
  - Poster "Electronic Mode Stirring for Improved Backscatter Communication Link Margin in a Reverberant Cavity Animal Cage Environment," *IEEE RFID*, 2020. (Presented by Sara Reyes)
- Presentation + "A Dual-Band Shared-Hardware 900 MHz 6.25 Mbps DQPSK and 2.4 GHz 1.0 Mbps Bluetooth Poster Low Energy (BLE) Backscatter Uplink for Wireless Brain-Computer Interfaces," *IEEE RFID*, 2020.
  - Presentation "A 25 Mbps, 12.4 pJ/bit Backscatter Data Uplink for the NeuroDisc BCI", *UW ECE Research Showcase*, 2020.
- Presentation "A 1 Mbps 158 pJ/bit Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) Compatible Backscatter Communication Uplink for Wireless Neural Recording in an Animal Cage Environment," *IEEE Conference on RFID*, 2019.
- Presentation + "A 158 pJ/bit 1.0 Mbps Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) Compatible Backscatter Communication Poster System for Wireless Sensing," *IEEE WiSNet*, 2019.
- Presentation + "A 6.25 Mbps, 12.4 pJ/bit DQPSK Backscatter Wireless Uplink for the NeuroDisc Brain-Computer Poster Interface." *IEEE BioCAS*, 2018.
  - Presentation "A Silicon Micro Dosimeter for High-Altitude Measurements of Cosmic Radiation." *IEEE Aerospace Conference*, 2018.
    - Poster "Fully Wireless Instrumentation for a Bi-Direction BCI," NeuroFutures Conference, 2018.
    - Demo "IBPoet: An Interactive & Biosensitive Poetry Composition Device," in *ACM UbiComp Conference*, 2017.
    - Poster "Aerodynamic Characterization of the Mini Ultra Stick Airframe." *National Conference for Undergraduate Research*, 2012.
    - Demos Numerous demos and informal presentations for fundraising, lab visitors, and outreach guests.

#### Student & Professional Mentoring

Summer 2014 NASA Taylor Dayton, Grad Intern, Additive Manufacturing for Nanosatellites

- 2013-2015 NASA University of Virginia Small Satellite Team
- Summer 2015 NASA Renee Hernandez, Undergrad Intern, Low-cost Total Ionizing Dose Sensing System
  - 2018-2019 **UW** Alexandra Pike, NSF Research Experience for Teachers, *Analysis of the Wireless Channel Inside* a Metal Animal Cage (J1, C7)
  - 2018-2019 **UW** Anissa Dadkhah, UW Undergrad, *Analysis of the Wireless Channel Inside a Metal Animal Cage* and *ZeroScatter* (J1, C5)
  - 2019-2020 UW Tyler Petrie, UW Undergrad, Low-cost Receivers for Wireless Brain-Computer Interfaces (C11)
- 2019-Present UW Sara Reyes, UW Undergrad, Analysis of the Wireless Channel Inside a Metal Animal Cage
- 2020-Present **UW** Tyan Trinh, UW Undergrad, Bit and Packet Error Rate Measurements for the NeuroDisc Wireless Brain-Computer Interface
- 2020-Present UW Anand Sekar, UW Undergrad, Bi-Directional Communication Protocols for Wireless Brain-Computer Interfaces. UW Dept. of Computer Science & Engineering's Honorable Mention for Best Senior Thesis Award

## Volunteering & Outreach

- 2018-2020 Paperboys Podcast Scicomm Podcast Co-host
  - 2020 UW UW STEM Upward Bound, Summer Research Section Instructor
  - 2018 UW Summer Youth Electronics Design, Instructor
  - 2018 UW GEARUP, Outreach Presenter
- 2017-Present UW Engineering Days, Outreach Presenter
- 2018-Present UW Graduate and Professional Student Senate, Senator
  - 2016-2018 UW EE Graduate Student Association, President
    - 2017 UW EE Soldering Workshop, Instructor
  - 2016-2018 Washington State Opportunities Scholar Program, Mentor
    - 2016 Big Brothers Big Sisters, Mentor
  - 2013-2016 **NASA** *HUNCH* Outreach Mentor, providing hands-on experience to students building space-flight hardware
    - 2015 NASA Virtual Career Fair, Speaker
    - 2018 NASA RaD-X Outreach, Presenter
  - 2013-2016 NASA Speaker's Bureau, Volunteer speaker at local schools and libraries
  - 2014-2016 NASA College of William & Mary's Focus on the Future, Volunteer speaker
    - 2013 International Rescue Committee, Refugee Resettlement, Volunteer

# Training & Professional Development

- 2020 UW Promoting Safe Interactions with Youth
- 2020 UW Reporting Abuse and Neglect
- 2020 UW Empowering Prevention & Inclusive Communities
- 2020 **UW** Center for Neurotechnology: Creating an Inclusive Culture
- 2018 **UW** Green Dot Bystander Training
- 2014 NASA Requirements Development & Management
- 2014 **NASA** Proposal Development
- 2014 NASA Project Cost & Schedule Management
- 2014 NASA Crucial Conversations: Tools for Talking When Stakes Are High
- 2013 NASA Altium Designer: Schematic & PCB Layout

#### Reviewer

IEEE Transactions on Industrial Electronics

IEEE Journal of Radio Frequency Identification (RFID)

## Technical Experience

Programming Matlab (proficient), Verilog, Embedded C (basic), Python (basic), BASH (basic)

Software Altium Designer, Eagle CAD, LTSpice, HFSS, ADS, GNU Radio Companion, CST (basic)

Protocols Bluetooth Low Energy, UART, SPI, I2C, CAN, USB

Modulations OOK, ASK, M-ary PSK, FSK, OFDM

Lab Proficient with circuit prototyping and debugging, Network Analyzers, Spectrum Analyzers, Oscillo-

Equipment scopes, Multimeters, Soldering (through-hole, surface-mount), Software-Defined Radios

Testing Thermal Vacuum Chamber, Burn-in, Radiation Beam Calibration, IACUC-approved Animal Testing

Experience

# Languages & Outside Interests

English Native Speaker

French Proficient (B2/C1)

Flying FAA Private Pilot Glider Certificate (Current)

HAM Radio FCC Technician Class License (KK4VMN)