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EDUCATION & ACADEMICS

Princeton University

Class of 2025

- B.S.E. Candidate, Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, GPA: (3.5)
 Certificate in Robotics and Intelligent Systems
- Relevant coursework:
 - Automatic Control Systems, Engineering Dynamics, Fundamentals of Materials Science, Differential Equations, Thermodynamics, Aerospace Structures, Fluid Dynamics, Space Flight, Engineering Design, Mechanical Design

WORK EXPERIENCE

Robotics Software Intern, Pliant Energy Systems

May 2024 - August 2024

- Worked on software stack for C-Ray, a robotics platform designed to traverse wet environments (sea, beach, ice) using undulating fins
- Projects I completed:
 - 3D sonar SLAM (Simultaneous Localization and Mapping) pipeline
 - MOOS driver integration for sonar sensor (MOOS is a robotics middleware analogous to ROS, developed by MIT for marine autonomy)
 - Communications pipeline to broadcast data to a satellite server
- Programmed with C++, MOOS, ROS, and Python

Undergraduate Researcher, Intelligent Robot Motion Lab

January 2023 - Present

- Built AgIRoM: a UAV research platform for agile autonomous vision-based flight based on UZH Robotics and Perception Group's Agilicious Platform
 - Uses visual-inertial odometry with stereo depth for localization and planning
- Implemented a depth-based motion planner pipeline with Agilicious' base platform, which was successfully demonstrated in action via integration with an existing planner method
- Interned Full-Time during Summer 2023

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND PROJECTS

Drone Team Lead, Princeton Robotics Club

September 2021 – May 2023

 Led a small team that successfully designed and built a modular autonomous vision-based quadcopter platform that is controlled via hand gestures picked up through computer vision

SKILLS & PERSONAL INTEREST

- Relevant Skills:
 - o Computer skills: Python, ROS, C++, Linux, Docker, PTC Creo, Fusion360, MATLAB, Simulink
 - Hardware: Flight Controllers, Jetson Orin, Motor Controllers, Stereo Depth, LiDAR, Sonar
 - o Rapid prototyping: Laser cutting, 3D printing, Soldering, Machine Shop
- Interpersonal:
 - Active Listener, Adaptable, Leadership, Proactive
- Languages:
 - English (fluent/native), Vietnamese (fluent/heritage)
- Personal Interests:
 - Captain of Princeton Men's Division Ultimate Frisbee, Rock Climbing