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EDUCATION & ACADEMICS

Princeton University Class of 2025

- B.S.E. Candidate, Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, GPA: (3.55)
- Certificate in Robotics and Intelligent Systems
- Relevant coursework:
 - Engineering Dynamics, Engineering Design, Mechanical Design, Differential Equations,
 Thermodynamics, Mechanics of Solids, Fluid Dynamics, Fundamentals of Materials Science,
 Automatic Control Systems, Space Flight

WORK EXPERIENCE

Undergraduate Researcher - Intelligent Robot Motion Lab

January 2023 - Present

- Successfully built a hardware research platform (AgIRoM) for agile vision-based autonomous flight based on UZH Robotics and Perception Group's Agilicious Platform
 - Platform integrates visual-inertial odometry with depth camera mapping to provide state estimation and localization to onboard Jetson Orin NX computer
- Working in a team to develop a real-time navigation policy for autonomous flight in unknown changing environments
- Interned Full-Time during Summer 2023

Assistant Workshop Engineer - Summer Intern, Seagull Models

Summer 2022

- Aided in assembling test planes and various component shipment orders for further testing by the pilot technicians
 - Gained experience working with hand tools, RC electronics, and CAD software

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND PROJECTS

Drone Team Lead, Princeton Robotics Club

September 2021 – Present

- Led a small team that successfully designed and built a modular autonomous vision-based quadcopter platform
 - Able to detect 'hand gestures' picked up by an onboard camera and interpret them as commands, such as taking off.
- The platform was built using PX4 Autopilot (open-source flight controller firmware), Raspberry Pi,
 OpenCV algorithms, designing and 3D printing various hardware mounts, and integrating optical flow and LiDAR sensors into the state estimation pipeline

SKILLS & PERSONAL INTEREST

- Relevant Skills:
 - Computer skills: Python, MATLAB, Simulink, ROS, Linux, PTC Creo, Fusion360
 - Electronics: Soldering, Flight Controllers (Betaflight, PX4), Raspberry Pi, Jetson Orin NX
 - Rapid prototyping: Laser cutting, 3D printing
- Interpersonal:
 - o Active Listener, Adaptable, Leadership, Proactive
- Languages:
 - English (fluent/native), Vietnamese (fluent/heritage), Mandarin (intermediate)
- Personal Interests:
 - Princeton Men's Division Ultimate Frisbee, Rock Climbing