# Kirsten Lim

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#### **EDUCATION**

# Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)

Bachelors of Science in Mechanical Engineering

**June 2015** GPA: 4.9/5.0

• Coursework: Mechanics and Materials, Dynamics and Controls, Thermodynamics, Design and Manufacturing, Robotics, Electronics for Mechanical Systems, Product Design

Cambridge University | Department of Engineering

Jan.-June 2014

· Coursework: Finite Element Analysis, Fracture Mechanics, Neuroscience, Operations Management

# **EXPERIENCE**

**Apple** | Product Quality Engineer

July 2015 - Present

- Developed and implemented product quality plan leading to launch of 2016 MacBook
- Coordinated early field analysis post-launch of 2015 27" iMac and 2016 MacBook
- Monitor factory and field performance data to target areas of improvement and drive design change among cross-functional team
- · Manage factory disposition and quality experiments when factory issues are discovered

**Euro-Pro** | Product Design Intern on Ninja Blender

June- Aug. 2014

- Diagnosed root causes of defects observed on engineering builds and prototypes of 100+ blenders
- Conducted culinary and lifetime testing on blenders to evaluate quality of blender production
- Improved blender performance by modeling and prototyping new components to reduce leakage

Johnson & Johnson - Ethicon Endo- Surgery | Engineering Intern

June - Aug. 2013

- Designed fixture for testing and verification of Hall effect sensors on endoscopic stapling device
- Organized and conducted gauge repeatability & reliability studies on device fixtures
- Investigated effect of tissue characteristics on performance of stapling devices and identified correlations in the data to create a model for estimating tissue characteristics

**MIT Ideation Lab** | *Undergraduate Researcher* 

June 2012 - Dec 2014

- Developed an experiment about prototyping in the design process and conducted 30+ trials
- Published a conference paper in ASME IDETC 2013: "Building Fast to Think Faster: Exploiting Rapid Prototyping to Accelerate Ideation"

MIT Admissions Office | Blogger | http://mitadmissions.org/blogs/author/kblim

Sept. 2011 - June 2015

#### **LEADERSHIP**

MIT Technique Yearbook & Design Club | Managing Editor, Contributing Ed

April 2013 - May 2015

- Established and managed 50K budget for the 2014 yearbook production and club operations
- Coordinated communication with MIT community and outside contractors on behalf of Technique

Discover Product Design Freshman Orientation Program | Mentor, Coordinator Aug. 2012 - May 2015

- Planned weeklong program of activities to introduce 24 freshmen to product design
- Scheduled trips to local companies and MIT shops to introduce freshmen to Boston and Cambridge

Class of 2015 Senior Week Committee | Coordinator

June 2014 - June 2015

• Managed and organized team of 5 to plan memorable group events for 1,200 graduating seniors

# **AWARDS**

**Wunch Foundation Silent Hoist and Crane Award** | MIT 2013

**BP Women in Research Innovation Award** | MIT 2014

For outstanding academic accomplishments in the study of engineering or innovative energy research

# **SKILLS**

**Software:** Solidworks, NX, Creo, Inventor, MS Suite, MiniTab, MATLAB, Photoshop, Illustrator, **Tools:** Lasercutter, Mill, Lathe, 3D printers, digital and film SLRs

# **ACTIVITIES**

MedLinks, Society of Women Engineers (*Marketing & Media Chair*), Alpha Chi Omega (*Fondue Committee*), MIT Art Scholar, Tau Beta Pi, Phi Beta Kappa