# LILLIAN CHU

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## **EDUCATION**

## **Northwestern University**

Evanston, Illinois

Bachelor of Science in Manufacturing and Design Engineering

Expected June 2022

Minor in Environmental Policy & Culture

• **GPA**: 3.4

• Major GPA: 3.7

Honors: Dean's List

 Relevant Coursework: Human-Centered Product Design, UX Design, Industrial Design, Electronics Design, Mechanical Design & Manufacturing, Design for Manufacturing, Design for Assembly, Operations Engineering & Management, CAD/CAM

## **Technical Skills**

Software: SolidWorks, Siemens NX CAD/CAM, Autodesk Inventor, Figma, Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop, Keyshot

Rendering, Microsoft Excel, Squarespace, AirTable

Programming: Proficient in MATLAB, Python, HTML/CSS, AMPL

# RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

# **Capstone Project on Personal Safety Devices**

Evanston, IL

Project Manager

September 2021 – June 2022

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  products, Intellectual Property analyses, and user interviews to find unmet needs and opportunity areas
- (second phase) Conducted thorough research and conjoint analysis and created low-fidelity mockups with various human-centered design iterations. Currently developing a works-like prototype and a looks-like prototype.
- Planned quarterly project schedule with Gantt Chart; delegated and organized individual team member responsibilities with Responsibility Assignment Matrix

## Injection Molding and Mold Design Manufacturing

CAD/CAM Lead

Evanston, IL

January 2022 - March 2022

- Manufacturing plastic toy from start to finish; designed part using CAD software, transferred part geometry to core and cavity mold for the part, and rendered the manufacturing program for parts.
- Machined mold halves from mold blanks on CNC Machine using generated G-Code from CAM program; utilized design for manufacturing and design for assembly after injection molding with a snap fit of parts.

MagneShade Evanston, IL

Prototyping Lead

September 2020 - March 2020

- Partnered with a 5-person team to conduct thorough research, user testing and prototype development with a human-centered design focus for a removable blackout window shade
- Conducted patent searches on Derwent World Patents Index, user testing with benchmark products, journey maps to identify stakeholders, and business models to further develop the product
- Created an efficient value chain by optimizing materials and decreasing lead time by 67% and developed business model

## **LEADERSHIP**

## Northwestern Crew Team

Evanston, IL

Racing Coordinator and Coxswain

September 2018 - June 2022

- Organized competitions and travel throughout the United States for 50+ rowers. Planned cost-effective lodging arrangements and detailed daily itineraries
- Practiced 6 days a week: developed strong leadership and decision-making skills; act as coach, motivator, and
  race strategist performing under competitive and high-pressure situations; competed across U.S., gold medalist at
  the Illinois Collegiate Rowing Invitational, Chicago Sprints Regatta, bronze medalist at the Midwest American Collegiate
  Rowing Association

# **ADDITIONAL**

Activities: Society of Women Engineers, Tennis, Trivia, Crossword Puzzles

Interests: Plant Keeping, Drums, Space, Reading

Provisional Patent: 63337124 Patent Pending (Operator Presence Control Safety Switch)