

# Laura K. Smith

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## Education

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### Texas A&M University – 3.93 GPA

College Station, TX

- Estimated Graduation Date: May 2022
- Major: Mechanical Engineering
- Completed Hours: 102

## Internship Experience

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### Industrial Assessment Center – Student Intern

Texas A&M University, College Station, TX

January 2021 – Present, Part-time

- visited industrial centers and identified opportunities for them to reduce energy usage
- calculated energy and monetary savings of assessment recommendations

### Naval Research Laboratory – Engineering Intern

Naval Research Laboratory, Stennis, MS

May 2020 – August 2020 & May 2019 – August 2019, Full-time

- upgraded video processing to improve the results of bathymetry and river flow models
- built a tool to distinguish river from land in video footage with 99.49% accuracy (2020)
- created a machine learning algorithm to retrieve good video footage with ~80% accuracy (2019)

## Other Employment

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### Freshman Engineering Peer Teacher

Texas A&M University, College Station, TX

August 2019 – November 2020, Part-Time

- hosted office hours and assisted with in-class activities
- graded homework and labs

## Extracurricular Activities

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### Autonomous Underwater Vehicle Project Team

September 2018 – Present

- competed in annual Robosub competition
- designed, prototyped, and fabricated vehicle components using CAD

### Brazilian Jiu Jitsu Club Officer

January 2020 – Present

- participated in meetings about key club operations
- managed a “cohort” to facilitate contact tracing and safely allow the club to practice

## Publications

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Smith, L.K. & Michael, C.J.; MIST: an interactive machine learning application for video segmentation. U.S. Naval Research Laboratory Memorandum Report. NRL/7340/MR--2021/1. 2021.  
[apps.dtic.mil/sti/pdfs/AD1123739.pdf](https://apps.dtic.mil/sti/pdfs/AD1123739.pdf)

## Honors and Awards

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Lou and C.C. Burton '42 Scholarship, Texas A&M Department of Mechanical Engineering, 2020

Anders Tjellström Scholarship Recipient, Cochlear, 2019

## Technical Skills

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Machine Learning  
Python & MATLAB  
CAD

## Soft Skills

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Independent Learning  
Communication  
Creativity

References available upon request