Michael Elliot King — Curriculum Vitæ

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Summary

I am a recent graduate of McGill University passionate about engineering design, specifically robotics and human computer interaction. I am currently looking for full time employment.

Education

2009 - 2014 B.Eng., Mechanical Engineering

McGill University - Montreal, Quebec

Relevant Experience

8/2013 - 8/2014 Co-Founder & Mechanical Engineering Lead

McGill Robotics – A.U.V. Design Team – Montreal, Quebec

3rd place static, 10th place overall – AUVSI International RoboSub Competition in San Diego Judges Award – Best Branding and Business Development (\$500)

- Created and implemented a comprehensive structure, brand, environment, and management system from scratch for a student organization with 98 members
- Lead all mechanical design, manufacturing and testing for the team of 60 creating an autonomous underwater vehicle
- Delegated work to and solved problems with 16 members of the mechanical division
- Designed the vehicle assembly with Inventor for FEA, dynamic modeling, 3D printing, machine drawings and simulations

9/2013 - 7/2014 Development of a Variable-Friction Shoe-Surface Mechanism

Interdisciplinary Design Project - Montreal, Quebec

Independent 7-month design & manufacturing project

Supervised by Professor Jeremy Cooperstock, McGill Centre for Intelligent Machines

- Created from scratch a mechanism to fit in the sole of a shoe and dynamically simulate the friction of a full range of surfaces
- Designed the mechanical, electrical and software systems using Autodesk Inventor and Arduino
- Manufactured complete functioning prototype of mechanism to 0.05mm tolerances using conventional milling & turning, CNCing, and welding
- Implemented a PD controller to actuate two compact braking pads using a stepper motor, gear system, and lead screws
- Verified full functionality through a series of static and kinetic friction tests

9/2013 - 5/2014 Development of the Propulsion & Control System for an A.U.V.

Mechanical Engineering Senior Capstone Project - Montreal, Quebec

Collaborative 7-month design $\dot{\sigma}$ implementation project

Client: McGill Robotics | Supervisor: Professor Meyer Nahon

- Designed a 5-DOF propulsion $\mathring{\sigma}$ control system using C++ and ROS
- · Arranged 6 thrusters around the COG for surge, sway, heave, pitch, and yaw control
- Simulated the controls with dummy sensor data in a 3D environment within Gazebo
- Implemented the system by interfacing with the autonomous planner, computer vision and motor control
- Created test platforms and wet-tested the full system in a pool, for both tethered and autonomous missions

Summer 2013 CONTROL SYSTEMS & ENGINEERING INTERNSHIP

T. Davlin Glass – Cambridge, Massachusetts

Designer gold-leaf glass tiles and glass products

- Designed, manufactured, and wired systems to control the temperature of custom-built, high-powered glass kilns
- · Aided in the design and construction of additional kilns

8/2012 - 8/2013 MATERIAL COLLECTION SYSTEM LEADER | MARKETING & MEDIA DIRECTOR

McGill LunarEx Robotics Design Team - Montreal, Quebec

12th place out of 50 international teams at NASA's Lunabotics Mining Competition – Orlando, Florida Supervised by Professor Peter Henry Radziszewski

- Member of a team of 40 students creating an autonomous mining lunar robot
- Lead the efforts of a five person group responsible for designing, constructing and assembling the mechanism that collects and dumps lunar regolith simulant
- Brought original concepts to realization through sketching, CADing, machining, assembly, and testing
- Machined & CNCed aluminum, molded composites, 3D printed new materials, and fabricated sheet metal parts
- Developed rebranding strategies to increase interest and team credibility
- Enhanced project marketing and sponsorship visibility through media exposure
- Documented each step of the design process, meetings, outreach, and competition with my photography
- Shot, directed and edited a promotional film that was sent to all sponsors and shared on social media outlets

Summer 2012 & Engineering Internship

Summer 2013

Robies Heating & Cooling HVAC - Hyannis, Massachusetts

- Developed and implemented automated programs for generating project estimates
- Calculated thermal loads
- · Developed a work flow and integrated inventory management system
- · Recorded and analyzed inside climate data
- Provided company-wide technical support
- · Prepared reports for clients and staff
- Analyzed sales trends and provided detailed reports

1/2013 - 8/2013 Front End & Usability Lead

Braille University iPhone Application - Montreal, Quebec

Tool to aid in teaching Braille to blind children using an electronic medium

Supervised by Professor Jeremy Cooperstock, McGill Center for Intelligent Machines

- Created a mobile application focusing on usability and the user interface
- Using a user-centered design approach, created prototypes, conducted user-tests, and coded the application to be easy to use, even without the use of vision
- Collaborated with Braille education professionals to create an authentic curriculum and legitimate learning tool (Anne Jarry, Nathalie Martiniello: *Université de Montréal*)

Software & Programming Skills

Computer Aided Design: Inventor, Solidworks, AutoCAD

Data Analysis: MATLAB, Excel

Programming Languages: Python, C, C++, Objective-C, ROS

Version Control Systems: Git, Autodesk 360

Web Development: HTML5, CSS, Markdown, Jekyll, Google Analytics, SEO

Digital Typesetting: ETeX, X7ETeX

Media & Graphics: Illustrator, Lightroom, Photoshop, InDesign, Final Cut Pro

Activities & Interests

2010 - Present	Photography - www.michaelelliotphotography.com
2009 - 2014	McGill University Intramural Ultimate Frisbee (1st Place 2010, 2011)
2012 - 2013	Photo Contributor - The McGill Tribune
2011 - 2012	McGill Engineering Undergraduate Society Website Committee
2010 - 2011	McGill University International Student BUDDY Mentor Program