# MIRANDA BALTAXE

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#### **EDUCATION**

**BSE in Computer Engineering** (Embedded Systems Concentration) | Summa Cum Laude University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

3.89 GPA

#### **SKILLS**

C/C++, Embedded Systems, Firmware Development, PCB Layout & Design (KiCad), MATLAB, Python, CAD (SolidWorks, Fusion 360, OnShape), Spanish (advanced), Project Management, Technical Communication

#### RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

### Motion Metrics Ltd. (Carv) — Hardware Intern (Electrical)

London, UK | June 2025 - Present

- Designed and laid out PCB motherboards and daughterboards in KiCad, integrating IMUs, microcontrollers, ADCs, and peripheral components for prototype skis.
- Developed custom firmware and drivers enabling smart skis to track boot pressure distribution and motion for balance-metric research supporting Carv's mobile app.
- Built a test device and firmware for coulomb counting to characterize battery performance and provide more accurate state-of-charge estimation in production devices.
- Performed hardware bring-up, debugging, and verification using oscilloscopes, JTAG tools, and custom test protocols, ensuring reliable operation across prototypes.
- Investigated and repaired warranty-returned devices, documenting root causes and proposing hardware and firmware improvements to increase long-term product reliability.

# **NewHaptics** — Engineering Intern

Ann Arbor, MI | June 2023 - Aug. 2024

- Prototyped a refreshable braille display with non-metal components for fMRI compatibility; deployed to Johns Hopkins researchers
- Developed MATLAB/Python scripts for client research applications, enhancing usability and adoption
- Coordinated directly with clients to define requirements and delivered a packaged device under tight deadlines
- Incorporated blind user feedback into iterative design improvements and documented modifications for future development

#### **Arruda Lab** — **Research Assistant**

Ann Arbor, MI | May - Aug. 2023

- Designed and manufactured a modular imaging rig for ACL ligament research using SolidWorks and Form 3 printing
- Presented design reviews to Mechanical Engineering dept. chair and implemented feedback into prototypes

## **ROAHM Lab** — Research Assistant

Ann Arbor, MI | Aug. 2020 - Dec. 2022

- Researched hydraulically amplified self-healing electrostatic (HASEL) actuators for a soft robotic hand.
- Designed actuators with varying geometries, collected performance data, and developed MATLAB analysis methods.

#### ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

### **Big Wheel Bikes** — **Bicycle Mechanic**

Arlington, VA | Jan. - June 2025

- Repaired hydraulic brakes, drivetrains, and electronic shifting systems on road, mountain, and e-bikes.
- Assembled and tuned custom bike builds for optimal rider performance.

### **General Motors** — **Manufacturing Mechanical Engineering Intern**

Romulus, MI | May - July 2021

- Supported troubleshooting and process improvement on the High Feature V6 engine block line.
- Managed the engineering team for one week, coordinating mechanics and electricians to ensure on-spec production.

# Leadership

- Captain, University of Michigan Flywheel Ultimate (2019–2025): Managed operations for 50+ athletes and six coaches, including scheduling, training, recruiting, and executive board leadership.
- **Regional Director, USA Ultimate Great Lakes (2022–2023):** Directed logistics, compliance, and competition management for DI/DIII sectional and regional tournaments.