

# CHRISTINE ZHOU

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## EDUCATION

### Brown University

Sc.B. Mechanical Engineering | A.B. Visual Art

May 2023

GPA: 3.88/4.00

**Relevant Coursework:** Sculpture: Conceptual Propositions; Dynamics and Vibrations; Electricity and Magnetism; Fluid Mechanics; Mechanics of Solids/Structures; Structural Analysis; Computer Aided Visualization/Design; Electrical Circuits

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## WORK EXPERIENCE & RESEARCH

### Hasbro, Inc. (NERF Department)

Design Engineer Intern

July 2021 – Present

Pawtucket, Rhode Island

### Temple Allen Industries

Mechanical Engineer Intern

May 2021 – July 2021

Rockville, Maryland

- Spearheaded all phases of product development cycle: designing custom parts, procuring parts, supporting production/assembly
- Collaborated with a team of 10 engineers to write, perform, and document 15+ testing procedures for smart automation system
- Calculated numerical parameters for pneumatic cylinder force and drivetrain wheel torque using moment analysis and part specs
- Designed custom sensor window mount with part tolerancing, improving waterproof rating and assembly time of sensor system

### Breuer Lab at Brown University

Mechanical Engineer Research Assistant

January 2021 – Present

Providence, Rhode Island

- Oversaw repair of mechanical bat wing robot with 4 degrees of freedom, 10+ moving parts, and a motor-powered cam system
- Designed and implemented 3D-printed bat wing modeled in SolidWorks, dimensioned according to bat wingspan research data
- Wrote specification and documentation of robot for the lab to access in future experiments involving installation and testing

### USC Space Engineering Research Center (SERC)

Manufacturing Research Intern

June 2020 – September 2020

Los Angeles, California

- Iterated 5+ designs of Horizon Drive cavity to optimize generated thrust and make the design manufacturable with CNC
- Manufactured Horizon Drive cavity using SolidWorks CAM and CNC machining, in compliance with OSHA safety regulations
- Outsourced electroless silver plating of cavity, contacting 10+ LA-based metal plating companies with technical documentation

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## LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

### Brown Student Agencies (BSA)

Marketing Manager and Graphic Designer

February 2020 – Present

Providence, Rhode Island

- Design and create marketing materials (flyers, posters, banners, signage, brochures) with Photoshop, InDesign, and Lightroom
- Handle interactions between Brown University and local businesses including OCM Linens, Knead Donuts, Kaplan Test Prep
- Manage BSA Instagram (500+ followers), Facebook page, and website while communicating with BSA Marketing Director

### Brown Space Engineering (BSE)

Manufacturing Team Member

January 2021 – Present

Providence, Rhode Island

- PVDX satellite utilizes novel solar cells and increases aerospace accessibility by allowing anyone to control PVDX from ground
- Brainstorm PVDX satellite's robotic arm design and mechanism, collaborating with a team of 8 to satisfy NASA requirements

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## PROJECTS

### Apple Design Test: iPod Battery Door Mechanism (<https://www.christinezhou.info/engineering/apple/>)

April 2021

- Innovated latch and spring door mechanisms, modeled in SolidWorks assembly with 10+ dynamic components and 5+ springs
- Composed a bill of materials, performing cost analysis with cost of direct labor, direct materials, and manufacturing overhead
- Simulated applied forces and displacements for finite element analysis in Fusion 360, analyzing stresses and safety factors

### UtiliTool: A Touchless Keychain Tool (<https://www.christinezhou.info/design/utilitool/>)

August 2020

- 3D modeled 10+ prototypes and 5+ design iterations of a multifunctional touchless keychain tool, the UtiliTool, in SolidWorks
- Performed primary market research with 10+ people, financial modeling, competitive landscape research, market size evaluation
- Analyzed various flexible materials (TPA, TPE, TPU) and their mechanical properties to determine ideal tool dimensions

### Lunar Impact Mission: MATLAB Simulation

April 2020

- Programmed optimal satellite orbital trajectory functions, using MATLAB Symbolic Toolbox and writing differential equations

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## SKILLS AND INTERESTS

**Programs:** Adobe Creative Suite: Photoshop, InDesign, Lightroom, Illustrator, Acrobat, After Effects, Premiere, Dimension, Xd.

**Microsoft Office:** Word, Excel, PowerPoint. **Technical:** MATLAB, SolidWorks, NX, Fusion 360, Blender, Arduino.

**Machining:** 3D Printer, Laser cutter, CNC, Mill, Lathe, Drill press, Circular saw, Bandsaw, Spot welding, Plasma welding, Soldering

**Interests:** Drawing storybook-style illustrations, Badminton, Photography (Nikon D3500), Gardening, Animation, Museums, 1010!