

# Matthew Rana

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Call Sign: KM4THW

**OBJECTIVE:** To use my education and prior work experience to grow with a dynamic organization through creative problem solving and varied tasks. Particular area of interest in embedded design.

**EDUCATION:** Bachelors of Science in Electrical Engineering, Clemson University, Clemson, SC Spring 2016

## RELEVANT SKILLS: Proficient in

HTML/CSS, C, C++, Matlab, LabVIEW languages and UNIX environments      Power Supply Design  
Microcontroller/FPGA Programming      Circuit Design & Simulation suites      Digital Driver Programming  
Oral Communication & Presentation Skills      Microsoft Office Suite      Through-Hole & SMT Soldering

## WORK EXPERIENCE

Co-op, Z-Axis/Bear Power Supplies, Phelps, NY May -August 2017

- Performed failure analysis and revised layouts for commercial and medical-grade products
- Constructed test fixtures & prototypes in-house to guarantee finished product would pass necessary client requirements
- Designed equipment to monitor production floor equipment operating conditions

Chief Engineer, WSBF-FM Clemson 88.1, Clemson, SC Spring 2013-Spring 2016

- Inherited aging FM transmitter and related broadcast equipment. Devised process to design and rebuild legacy infrastructure (RDS, Backup Automation, Show Archiving) to modern specifications as allowed by time and budget.
- Responded to problem areas in default user interface; modified equipment and controls to accommodate DJs with disabilities
- Prepared and presented seminars on technical operations of Station equipment for audiences of over 100 people, drawing from all University majors and backgrounds.

## DESIGN/BUILD PROJECTS

Oscillating Transducer, Z-Axis Inc Summer 2017

- Took charge of unique challenge that had been placed on backburner
- Designed and fabricated control board to oscillate a medical fixture to a specific resonance frequency
- Tuned finished product to range of several kilohertz with step resolution of less than ten hertz

2016 KEMET Engineering award winner: Electrical Engineering Senior Design Project Spring 2016

- Designed and constructed custom acoustic guitar auto-tuner incorporated into a guitar case
- Fabricated components via PCB design software and 3D printing
- Designed, printed, and populated circuit board for selecting and individually driving six stepper motors

Program Interruption Manager ('Cough & Dump Panel'), WSBF-FM Clemson 88.1 Spring 2015

- Identified need for real-time on-air censor; designed and built direct mixing board interface for improper audio interruption (aka 'Cough and Dump' function). Modified available stock design with integrated lighted status controls
- Reconfigured Sound Board layout, using input from DJ's to optimize intuitive function and features layout

## AWARDS AND HONORS

KEMET Engineering Award Spring 2016  
Ham Radio Operator, Technician Class March 2016  
Eagle Scout, Boy Scouts of America Troop 451, Durham NC Spring 2011