# SUSANNA WEBER

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# **EDUCATION**

**Columbia University** 

Expected December 2024

Master of Science, Biomedical Engineering

University of California, Berkeley

May 2023

Bachelor of Arts, Physics | Minor, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science (EECS)

**Relevant Coursework:** Principles of MRI, Principles of MRS, Deep Learning in Biomedical Imaging, Deep Learning for Signal Processing, PCB Engineering, Biostatistics, Data Structures, Thermodynamics, Quantum Mechanics

# **SKILLS**

• Languages: Python, MATLAB, Java, C++

• Libraries: PyTorch, TensorFlow, NiBabel, Pydicom, Magpylib, OpenCV, Pandas

• Other skills: KiCad, Autodesk Fusion, Arduino, Git, LaTeX

# RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

# **Electromagnetics Lab at NYU**

Research Associate

September 2024 - Present

- Designed and implemented an amplifier using KiCad to power a low-field active shimming system
- Optimized shim array design using a genetic algorithm for coil number and placement in Python
- Designed a phantom for MR thermometry in Fusion360

# MR SCIENCE Lab at Columbia University

Graduate Student Researcher

August 2023 - September 2024

- Modeled B<sub>0</sub> inhomogeneities in the heart and resulting image artifacts
- Designed multi-coil arrays for active shimming in MATLAB
- Simulated effect of different active shimming configurations on field homogeneity in the heart

# **GE Healthcare**

Medical Imaging Al Intern

May 2022 – August 2022

- Built generative adversarial networks for paired and unpaired MR to CT scan translation in TensorFlow
- Implemented vision transformers for segmentation and identification of anatomical structures in MR

#### Hellman Lab at UC Berkeley

Undergraduate Student Researcher

January 2021 – December 2022

- Fabricated amorphous, multi-layer, ultra-thin films using magnetron sputtering
- Built **Python** interface to control closed-cycle system to cool samples to 3K in order to measure resistivity

#### **Max Planck Institute for Physics**

Summer Research Intern

May 2021 - July 2021

- Worked with the MAGIC Telescope Group to expedite the assessment of atmospheric conditions
- Automated photometric filter system for the Magic Atmospheric Minion (MAM) in **Python**
- Collaborated with graduate students to integrate new photometric filtering into the MAM codebase

## Garcia Lab at UC Berkeley

Undergraduate Student Researcher

July 2020 - January 2021

- Simulated live imaging of gene transcription rates in fruit fly development using MATLAB
- Quantified number of active, transcribing cells in fruit fly embryos
- Compared simulated transcription to experimental data to identify false positives

## HONORS AND AWARDS

# Berkeley Physics-and-Astronomy Undergraduate Research Scholar

Spring 2021, Fall 2021, Fall 2022

- Scholarship awarded to students for research proposals submitted in conjunction with a faculty member
- Presented results to 200+ faculty and students at the Berkeley Physics Undergraduate Poster Session

#### MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

Weber S., Verghese G., Ianello C., *et al.* "Active Shimming for Low-Field Halbach Arrays – Initial Results". Submitted to: ISMRM & ISMRT Annual Meeting & Exhibition; 2025 May 10–15; Honolulu, Hawai'i.

Huang S. et al., "ezyMRI: How to build an MRI machine from scratch - Experience from a four-day hackathon". Preprint at https://arxiv.org/abs/2411.11365 (2024).

#### SELECTED PROJECTS

## Cardiac MRI Segmentation

Columbia University - Deep Learning for Biomedical Imaging

March 2024 - May 2024

- Implemented attention U-Net in **Pytorch** for whole heart and ventricle segmentation
- Worked with NIFTI and DICOM image formats using NiBabel, PyDicom, and OpenCV
- Achieved accuracy scores on par with leading models for the Right Ventricle Segmentation Challenge

## **Liquid Engine Rocket Flight Computer**

Space Technologies and Rocketry at Berkeley

August 2021 - May 2023

- Designed, assembled, and tested PCBs using KiCad and Arduino/C++
- Wrote live telemetry and data analysis software for control and monitoring of combustion during hot fire
- As avionics team lead, oversaw recruiting and training of new members as well as successful hot fire

#### **Robotic Foosball Table**

UC Berkeley - Introduction to Robotics

October 2021 - December 2021

- Used **open-cv** to track ball and **pyserial** to interface with microcontroller and move goalie correspondingly
- Implemented signed bang-bang control algorithm in **Python** for actuation

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

#### Lab Assistant - Basic Semiconductor Circuits

Berkeley Student Learning Center

August 2022 - May 2023

## Physics Tutor – Introductory Electromagnetism, Waves, and Optics

Berkeley Student Learning Center

January 2022 – May 2022

# Physics Tutor – Introductory Physics

Berkeley Student Learning Center

August 2021 – December 2022

## SERVICE

# **Undergraduate Mentor**

Berkeley Society of Physics Students

September 2021 - January 2022

Organized info sessions, socials, and study sessions for mentorship group of first-year and transfer students

# **Sustainability Commission Co-Chair**

Associated Students of the University of California

May 2020 - May 2021

Organized sustainability-focused initiatives on campus in collaboration with the student government

#### **Assistant Debate Coach**

Oakland Military Institute

May 2019 - November 2019

Assisted coaches in setting up and administering the school's new debate team