# Taha Arif

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## **EDUCATION**

North Carolina Central University, Durham NC

Jazz Studies, Drumset, August 2020 - Jan 2022

North Carolina State University, Raleigh NC

Electrical Engineering, Renewable Electric Energy Systems, June 2013 - May 2017, GPA: 3.49/4.00

## **SKILLS**

**Technology**: **Wordpress**, Full Stack WebDev (NodeJS, express, React), AT Protocol, php, python, javascript, SPA **Language**: Music, **Urdu/Hindi**, Seraiki, **Spanish**, English. Currently Studying Arabic, Mandarin, and French. **Awards:** 2017 Sustainability Make-a-thon winner, NAE Grand Challenge Scholar, IEEE PEES Plus Scholar

## **ACHIEVEMENTS AND INTERESTS**

- Full Stack WebDev (NodeJS, express, React), Wordpress, AT Protocol, php, python, javascript
- Passions involve music, movement, and meditation, and service.
- Designed and installed a 5KVA photovoltaic power system in Gilgit-Baltistan, Pakistan after NCSU Graduation.

# RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

## Goodroads.io

Hardware Engineer July 2018- January 2019

• Designed, developed, embedded linux system to capture road data running on Python and Pandas

## **PowerSecure**

Engineer DI Products

**November 2017- May 2018** 

- Trained in CPR.
- Program microgrid operating modes into PLCs, RTACs inverters, for distributed Energy Devices
- Configure communication of our devices through DNP, Modbus TCP, and serial protocols.
- Produce preliminary drawings in AutoCAD Electrical.

# Windlift, LLC, Raleigh NC

Electrical Systems Engineer

**January 2016- July 2016** 

- Led PMSM motor control testing and packaging. Tuned and fixed inverter control boards.
- Worked with AC/DC converters and three phase inverters in order to drive selected motors, loaded by battery bank.

## Freedm Systems, Raleigh NC

Undergraduate Research Scholar

August 2015- May 2016

- Assembled a Modular Energy Generator to be implemented in the Dominican Republic's distribution system.
- Evaluated capabilities of Toshiba batteries using Arbin Battery Analyzer.
- Ran capacity, thermal, and load tests on lithium Ion batteries
- Worked on modular energy products promoting micro-grid implementation in the Dominican Republic

# International Future Energy Challenge, Sheffield UK

Award winner

**January 2015- July 2015** 

- 5 man team working on a Bidirectional Autonomous Inverter for operation between grid, solar, and batteries. Capable of Autonomous Control.
- Chief Hardware Technician- Responsible for planar transformer design, PCB layout, and assembled system.
- Won award for most efficient system, achieved 94% efficiency using GaN Devices.
- Developed proof of concept for a lightweight bike share program that uses existing bikes and bike racks.

## LIFE EXPERIENCE

## Wage/Tipped Labor

Server, Bike/Car Delivery, Busboy

• Outback Steakhouse, Player's Retreat (restaurant), Jimmy John's, Nancy's Pizzeria, Cracker Barrel, Drummer

# **Lyft Driver**

- My favorite service job thus far!
- Self employed whilst learning how to play music, how to listen, and how to support a conversation.