


# Tristan Laidlow

## Robotics Researcher

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### EXPERIENCE

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#### Dyson Research Fellow

Oct. 2019 – Present

#### Dyson Robotics Lab

Imperial College London, UK

Supervisor: Prof. Andrew Davison

Lead research projects developing state-of-the-art vision algorithms for robotic applications.

#### Graduate Teaching Assistant

Jan. 2016 – Apr. 2021

#### C333: Robotics

Imperial College London, UK

Assisted students in implementing filter-based navigation algorithms for mobile robotics.

#### Research Assistant

Apr. 2013 – Aug. 2015

#### Dynamic Systems Lab

University of Toronto Institute for Aerospace Studies, Canada

Established the foundations for a new aerial robotics research testbed and implemented a stabilizing controller for an aerial robotic platform using vision-based localization.

#### Research Assistant

Apr. 2012 – Aug. 2012

#### Technologies for Aging Gracefully Lab

University of Toronto, Canada

Developed a user interface for the Accessible, Large-Print, Listening and Talking (ALLT) e-Book Project for people with low vision or mobility impairments.

#### Strategic Information Analyst

Jan. 2009 – Aug. 2011

#### Interior Health Authority

Kelowna, British Columbia, Canada

Developed solutions for smoothing the use of hospital resources, reducing surgical cancellations, and lowering patient wait times by examining scheduling practices, analyzing patient data, and creating simulation models.

### EDUCATION

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2015 - 2019

#### Doctor of Philosophy (Computer Science)

Imperial College London, UK

Thesis: *Robust Multimodal Dense SLAM*

Supervisor: Dr. Stefan Leutenegger

2011 – 2015

#### Bachelor of Applied Science (Engineering Science)

Major: Aerospace Engineering, Minor: Robotics & Mechatronics

University of Toronto, Canada

Thesis: *Real-Time Motion Generation for Aerial Vehicles in Response to Musical Signals*

Supervisor: Prof. Angela Schoellig

2007 – 2008

#### Master of Science (Management Science)

Queen's University, Canada

Thesis: *An Adaptive Algorithm for the Optimal Order Quantity in the Non-Stationary Newsvendor Problem with Censored Demand*

Supervisor: Prof. Jeffrey McGill

2002 – 2007

#### Bachelor of Science (Economics)

University of Victoria, Canada

Thesis: *Using a Discrete-Event Simulation to Examine Emergency Department Congestion at Royal Inland Hospital*

Supervisor: Prof. Joseph Schaafsma

### SKILLS

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Programming

**Python, C++, CUDA**  
**PyTorch, TensorFlow**

Computer Vision  
& Robotics

**SLAM:** Dense SLAM, Visual-Inertial SLAM, 3D Reconstruction, Parametric Shape Models  
**Deep Learning:** Neural Volume Rendering, Dense Depth Priors, Reinforcement Learning  
**Scene Understanding:** Semantic Labelling, Human Pose Estimation, Pile Decomposition