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Education

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Bachelor of Science in Aerospace Engineering

Expected Graduation Date: May 2022

GPA: 3.48/4.00

Skills

Software: CFD (Fluent) and FEA, ANSYS, CAD (Siemens NX, AutoCAD, SolidWorks), 3D Printing (built printer from spare parts)

Mechanical: DMLS Additive Manufacturing

Programming: MATLAB, Python, Controls, Numerical Methods

Other: Byzantine Chanting, Modern Greek (fluent), Bouzouki (Greek Instrument), Amateur Astrophotography

Work Experience

Relativity Space

Long Beach CA

Additive Development Engineer I

June 2022-

Additive Manufacturing Intern

May-August 2021

- Printed Aeon 1 engine components to support Terran Mission 1
- Owned post printing quality inspection process for Aeon 1 Thrust Chamber Assembly hardware

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

Chicago IL

Mechanical Design Intern

June-August 2019

- Designed a modernized Central Boiler Facility to replace an aging facility using AutoCAD MEP
- Used data analysis to project the Hanover Plant's daily energy consumption to determine optimal boiler configuration
- Ensured new boilers will enable full capacity sewage treatment (22 million gallons/day) in worst case scenarios

Project Highlights

THRUST

Champaign, IL

Technical President

May 2021-May 2022

- Principal Engineer of all club vehicles, systems, and engines and responsible for testing, safety, and launch procedures and approvals

Director of Structures

May 2020-May 2021

- Developed a manufacturing process to produce 1/16th inch aluminum 6061-T6 bulkheads for cryogenic propellant tanks pressurized to 90 psi

Project Manager of Engine Integration

August 2018-August 2021

- Led a multidisciplinary team of engineers in design and fabrication of flight worthy fuel and oxidizer tanks for a reusable liquid fueled rocket capable of reaching the Karman Line (100 km altitude)
- Utilized Siemens NX for design and ANSYS Static Structural for structural analysis and to validate hand calculations on LOX and RP-1 propellant tanks

American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics

Champaign, IL

JetCat Co-lead

May 2020-May 2022 (Member since August 2018)

- Designed high efficiency converging-diverging nozzles in Solidworks and used ANSYS Fluent to do CFD analysis
- Attained supersonic flow rate of 755 m/s and eliminated shocks in nozzle throat to stabilize flow

New Space Chicago Mars City State Team

Chicago, IL

Technical Team Report Crafter

April-June 2020

- Generated a Master System Diagram of a Martian settlement capable of supporting 1,000,000 people for the Mars Society's Mars City State Competition
- Authored technical sections of final competition report with collaboration from several team members