

Personal Philosophy Statement

I have always been an advocate for finding my “true north”, which is the set of ideas and beliefs that guide me throughout my life. Along with this statement of guidance, I believe that understanding my motivations is key to achieving my vision.

My vision is to be an impactful member of society by contributing to advancements in the areas that interest me: airplanes, leadership development, and youth development. While I can't pinpoint exactly where I will be working and what steps I will take to achieving this vision, I know that achieving this vision will involve continuing my education and earning a master's degree in Engineering and working on Youth Development Programs through Scouting.

I believe that the aerospace industry, especially the work involving aircraft, has the unique ability to connect our increasingly globalized world. If anything, innovation in this industry is one of the drivers in the rapid globalization. Understanding this motivates me to be a globally and culturally conscious engineer because of the global impact of the industry I am entering. Additionally, my multicultural background and frequent international travels have instilled a strong sense of open-mindedness, which I plan to integrate into my career and passions.

The “true north” that I believe will guide me was based of my experiences in school, and Scouting, with a strong emphasis on preparedness and service. I hope to incorporate these values into my career and future, while still emphasizing the global mindset and initiative to learn that the University of Michigan gave me.