CHARMAINE GUO

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EDUCATION

Northwestern University

June 2028 B.S. in Materials Science & Engineering Overall GPA: 3.25/4.00

SKILLS

Computer Languages

Soft Skills **Hard Skills**

Organizational Tools

Python, Java, MATLAB, HTML, CSS

Project Management, Teamwork , Time-Management, Adaptability Lab Safety, Capillary Rheometer, SEM, Spectrometer, ICP

Microsoft Excel, Google Drive

EXPERIENCE

Undergraduate Researcher

Northwestern University

October 2024 - Present Evanston, IL

- Collaborating with a PhD candidate on cellulose crystalline research, focusing on color formation without dyes.
- Studying how UV light cures acrylic acid, solidifying cellulose crystals and creating structural colors
- Analyzing using MATLAB how varying cellulose concentrations affect crystal arrangements and resulting colors.

Engineer Intern

Weston Department of Public Works

June 2024 - August 2024 Weston, MA

- Transferred water pipe data from hand-drawn maps into a GIS-based system, improving online access and organization.
- Identified five roads with lead pipes, leading to successful excavation and replacement.
- Assisted with water treatment operations, gaining hands-on infrastructure experience

Architectural Intern Maple Hill Architects

June 2022 - Feb 2023

Wayland, MA

- Created 3D models in SketchUp for active and future residential projects, enabling clients to better visualize architectural concepts and design plans.
- Contributed to interior design layouts and space planning, providing practical and aesthetic insights to ongoing projects.
- Modeled a full renovation plan for a residential property, including an energy-efficient greenhouse extension.

PROJECTS

Purrfect Care

Desktop (WildHacks) March 2025

Python, PyQt5, Gemini API

- Built a PyQt5 desktop app with wellness reminders, to-do list, and animated notifications.
- Integrated Gemini API for contextual chat with a virtual assistant cat.

Skynet System

Team Project (Design Thinking & Communication)

Jan - March 2025

Onshape, Arduino IDE, ESP32

- Designed solutions for remote zoo access, with protoypes including an interactive online tour prototype built with web technologies and a Hexbug like design.
- · Final deliverable: a zipline-mounted camera system enabling live video feed controlled remotely by users.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Finance Lead

January 2025 – Present

Society of Asian Scientists and Engineers (SASE)

- Organizing fundraisers and managing financial operations, budgeting, and expense tracking.
- Writing grants and collaborating with the club to ensure efficient financial planning and resource allocation.

Power Distribution Management Northwestern Formula SAE (NUFSAE)

October 2024 - Present

- Working on the electrical systems team to design the back box harness and build the top hoop harness.
- Collaborating with the accumulator team to design the low voltage battery box.
- Learning and applying software like Altium, SolidWorks, and RapidHarness.