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Education

University of Toronto

Toronto, ON, Canada

Doctor of Philosophy - Materials Science and Engineering (GPA 4.0/4.0)

May 2021 - Present

McGill University

Montréal, QC, Canada

Master of Science – Mechanical Engineering (GPA 4.0/4.0)

Sep. 2015 – Sep. 2017

South China University of Technology

Guangzhou, China

Bachelor of Engineering – Mechanical Engineering (GPA 3.8/4.0)

Sep. 2011 - June 2015

Research Experience

Lab for extreme mechanics & additive manufacturing, University of Toronto

Toronto, ON, Canada

Graduate Research Assistant (Supervised by Dr. Yu Zou)

Design and additive manufacture of high performing metallic functionally graded materials via microstructure modification

May 2021 - Present

- Project 1: designed and built a full directed energy deposition (DED) system.
- Project 2: created a deep-learning and genetic algorithm framework that can tailor the mechanical properties of 3D material microstructures.
- Project 3: predict the cross sections of resultant melt track, surface, and bulk material shapes via machine-learning methods to realize DED printing parameter optimization.
- Project 4: design and manufacture metallic functionally graded materials by the addition of external magnetic and/or ultrasonic vibration fields.

Architected materials and advanced structures group, McGill University

Montréal, QC, Canada

Graduate Research Assistant (Supervised by Dr. Damiano Pasini)

Durable bistable auxetics made of rigid solids

Sep. 2015 – Sep. 2017

- Designed a novel metamaterial, the rigid bistable auxetic metamaterials (BAM).
- Performed static and fatigue tensile tests on BAM.
- Investigated BAM properties with various material characterization techniques.

Micro engineering, dynamics and automation lab, University of Calgary

Calgary, Canada

Mitacs Globalink research intern (Supervised by Dr. Simon Park)

June 2014 – Oct. 2014

- Studied the effects different sand-blasted patterns have on the performance of sapphire cutting tools experimentally on a CNC machine center.

Publications and Awards

Selected publications (3 of 6)

Adhikari G., ..., Shang X., et al. (2021). nEXO: neutrinoless double beta decay search beyond 10^{28} year half-life sensitivity. *Journal of Physics G: Nuclear and Particle Physics*, 49(1), 015104. 2021

Yin, Z., ... Shang X., et al. (2021). Young martlets: Exploring the world of academia and beyond. *Matter*, 4(5), 1434-1436. 2021

Shang, X., Liu, L., Rafsanjani, A., & Pasini, D. (2018). Durable bistable auxetics made of rigid solids. *Journal of Materials Research*, 33(3), 300-308. 2018

Selected Patents

“Bistable Auxetics” (US20170362414). U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. 2020

Selected Awards

NSERC Canada Graduate Scholarships – Doctoral (CGS D), national award 2023

Ontario Graduate Scholarship, provincial award 2021 and 2022

MITACS Globalink Graduate Fellowship, international award 2015

MITACS Globalink Research Intern Scholarship, international award 2014

Chinese National Scholarship, national award 2013

Teaching Experience

MSE403 – Data Sciences and Analytics for Materials Engineers Winter 2023
University of Toronto | Teaching Assistant

MSE1065 – Application of Artificial Intelligence in Materials Design Winter 2021 and Fall 2022
University of Toronto | Teaching Assistant

Subatomic Physics Summer Lecture Series 2020-2022
McGill University | Guest Lecturer

Work Experience

McGill University Montréal, QC, Canada
Research Engineer (Supervised by Dr. Thomas Brunner) July. 2018 – May 2021

- Designed a \$150k vacuum cryogenic photon sensor testing setup to support the next- Enriched Xenon Observatory (nEXO) experiment.
- Worked intensively with 3D printing technologies including FDM, SLA, and SLM for testing and prototyping.

Lumenwerx Inc. Montréal, QC, Canada
Mechanical Engineer Sept. 2017 – June 2018

Extracurricular Experience

Materials Science and Engineering Graduate Students' Association

University of Toronto / President

2021 – 2022

- Responsible for the direction and actions of the association and represent our graduate students at the Department, Faculty, and University level Councils.
- Coordinate and supervise the other members of the Executive Board within the association.

The Martlets Society

[Website](#) | Organizer and Editor-in-chief

2020 - Present

- Work as the editor and event organizer for the Martlets Society, a non-profit academical organization. Our guest speakers are mainly professors and researchers from top Universities such as MIT, Oxford University, U of T etc.

Skills and Hobbies

Skills and software

- FEA, Mechanical design, Mechanics of materials, 3D printing, Conventional and advanced machining.
- Abaqus, COMSOL Multiphysics, Altair Inspire, Ansys, SolidWorks, AutoCAD.
- Python, Jupyter Notebook, MATLAB, C, C++, Tensorflow, Keras, Scikit-learn, Pytorch, Spyder.

Hobbies

- DIY projects, building and improving 3D printers, CNC machines and laser cutters.
- Snowboarding, hiking, music, and basketball.

Languages

- English, French, Mandarin.