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EDUCATION

University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA
Bachelor of Science, Biomedical-Mechanical Engineering
Presidential Scholar (Half Tuition)

May 2024
GPA 4.00

ACADEMIC PROJECTS

HEDCO Neuroscience (USC), Los Angeles, CA
Neuron Modeling Programmer

Jan 2022–Present

- Developed a compartmentalized layer 5 pyramidal dendrite model using NEURON module in **Python**
- Characterized nonlinear relationships of action potential firing under gamma rhythm background stimulus

Senior Design (USC), Los Angeles, CA

Aug 2023–Dec 2023

Team Lead for Rhythmia Holter Monitor

- Built software for monitoring EKG activity and detecting heart arrhythmias using **Arduino** and **LabVIEW**
- Created 3D-printed housing unit and silicon mold in **SolidWorks** to reduce device size and attach to heart region

USC MEDesign, Los Angeles, CA

Jan 2023–May 2023

Mechanical Design Lead

- Fabricated 3D-printed cassettes for peanut-detecting lateral flow assays in **SolidWorks**
 - Optimized capillary flow and product cost through material selection and computational stress analysis
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WORK EXPERIENCE

University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA

Aug 2022–Dec 2023

Teaching Assistant for Communications in the Nervous System

- Led guest lectures and instructed weekly discussion sections using **MATLAB** and **Excel** to simulate dynamic action potential firing of a neuron (10 hr/week)
- Provided supplemental instruction and facilitated all exam and assignment creation and grading

AesculaTech, Los Angeles, CA

May 2023–Aug 2023

Product Development Intern for Humidifeye

- Created a qualified clinical database for OUS pilot study data via **Excel VBA** programming featuring dynamic user and data validation with responsive UI
- Devised and performed cadaveric rabbit study for biocompatibility protocol of hydrogel punctal plug
- Implemented and modified test methods for design and process V&V of hydrogel-applicator system
- Iterated on manufacturing fixturing in **SolidWorks** for hydrogel microdispensing process

Terasaki Institute for Biomedical Innovation, Los Angeles, CA

May 2022–Jan 2023

Glioblastoma-on-Chip Researcher

- Synthesized novel gelatin- and hyaluronic acid-based hydrogels to mimic brain rheology
- Fabricated microfluidic glioblastoma spheroids-on-chip for chemotherapy drug screening
- Performed tensile testing, cell culture, immunocytochemistry, LDH assays, and cell viability quantification

Mount Sinai Hospital, New York City, NY

Jun 2018–Dec 2019

Diabetic Neuroendocrine Researcher

- Developed novel ECI tissue clearing protocols in murine pancreatic and pituitary tissue
 - Profiled neuroendocrine pathways disrupted by repeated hypoglycemia in diabetic mice
 - Utilized immunohistochemistry, murine models, confocal microscopy, ImageJ, and Prism8 analyses
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COLLEGIATE LEADERSHIP AND COURSEWORK

USC Associated Students of Biomedical Engineering (ASBME), Los Angeles, CA

Sep 2020–Present

Social Liaison

- Coordinate venues, guest outreach, and logistical planning of social events for ASBME students

Relevant Coursework: CAD for Biomechanical Systems, FDA Regulations of Medical Devices, Applied Python, Linear Circuits, Orthopedic Biomechanics, Dynamics of Fluids, Strength of Materials, Statistics

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Python • MATLAB • C++ • SolidWorks • SQL • R • QSR • DV&V • ImageJ • Excel • HTML • CSS • Adobe Suite • LabVIEW