

# Brianna Gopaul *Electrical Engineering Internship*

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## Education

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**University of British Columbia, B.ASc Engineering Physics** [📄](#) 2021 – 2026

- Focus on upper-level mathematics and physics with a blend of Electrical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering and Software Engineering.
- Specializing in ELEC. Courses: ELEC401-Analog Integrated Circuits, ELEC341-Control Systems, ELEC462-Microelectromechanical systems

## Skills

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### Electrical Engineering

Altium, Debugging Tools (Oscilloscope, Multimeter), Reading Datasheets

### Mechanical

SolidWorks, Laser/Waterjet Cutting, Machining

### Software

Python, Java, Matlab, OpenCV, Tensorflow, Keras

### Misc

PCR, Gel Electrophoresis, UHV Vacuum Equipment

## Engineering Experience

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**Sensors & Comms Elec Aerodesign Member, UBC Aerodesign** 04/2024 – present

- Created schematics for Sensorboard PCB in **Altium**
  - Sensor board contains key electronics for collecting flight data and controlling plane's flight path: IMU (Gyroscope, Accelerometer, Magnetometer) STM32 Microcontroller, Pressure Sensor etc. and uses **I2C** and **CAN** protocols.
- Currently designing Sensorboard PCB in **Altium**

**Autonomous Overcooked Playing Robot, Altium, Solidworks, C++** 05/2024 – 08/2024

- Created schematic, designed PCB and soldered IR sensing board that detects an IR beacon using peak detection and various filtering circuits in **Altium**
- Designed and soldered H Bridge PCBs and optical tape following PCBs in **Altium** to enable robot to drive and follow black tape
- Debugged protoboards and PCBs using **oscilloscope** and multimeter
- Robot won fourth place in ENPH253 competition

**License Plate Scanning AI, Python, OpenCV, ROS, Gazebo, Tensorflow** 01/2024 – 04/2024

- Wrote **Python** scripts to generate and augment training data using OpenCV
- Programmed a CNN in Keras to enable robot to read and detect signs while driving. CNN achieved 94% accuracy on validation set

**R&D Engineering Intern, General Fusion** 05/2021 – 08/2021

- Conducted material science experiments to find suitable plasma-facing components for General Fusion's commercial fusion reactor involving UHV Vacuum systems, liquid lithium evaporation setups, and more
- Designed and assembled a functioning liquid lithium syringe in **Solidworks** to dispense controlled amounts of lithium

**Inertial Confinement Fusor, Vacuum, High Voltage, Soldering,** 09/2020 – 04/2021

- Self guided learning on how Inertial Electrostatic Confinement (IEC) Fusors work
- Sourced parts and created a vacuum system with a foreline pressure of 4 microns
- Designed a spherical tungsten cathode using hand tools
- Project halted due to undergraduate degree but created a video showcasing the progress: [Fusor Progress Video](#) [📄](#)

## Awards

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**Emergent Ventures Fellow, Mercatus Center** 2021

Grant program that supports entrepreneurs and brilliant minds with highly scalable, "zero to one" ideas for meaningfully improving society. Won \$10,000 CAD grant to source parts and fund IEC Fusor project