Tristan Bernard

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EDUCATION

Northeastern University

Boston, Massachusetts

Candidate for Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering

Expected May 2027

GPA: 3.7

Honors: Dean's List (Fall '23, Spring '23, Fall '24, Spring '24)

Awards: Deloitte Scholar, Gillman International Scholar, Ujima Global Scholar, Barnes Next Tech Scholar, AP Scholar

Relevant Coursework: Fluid Mechanics, Thermodynamics, Material Science, Mechanics of Materials, Statics, Probability and Statistics, Calculus 1-3, Physics 1&2, Chemistry for Engineers, Cornerstone of Engineering 1&2

EXPERIENCE

GE Aerospace

Lynn, MA

Engines Co-op - Value Stream Team

July 2025 - Present

- Led \$50,000+ in cost-saving process improvements by applying core engineering principles to take ideas from feasibility to completion.
- Analyzed data on 3,000+ team projects in Excel, identifying high-success workflows and adapting them across engine
 programs to improve efficiency and scalability.
- Collaborated with cross-functional teams to streamline manufacturing, enhancing delivery performance and operational efficiency

Northeastern College of Engineering

Boston, MA

Research Assistant

December 2023 - May 2024

- Conducted experiments in nanodiamond rotational movement, assisting Professor Paul Stevenson's Physics Lab
- Earned laser-safety certification and adhered to strict lab protocols to ensure safe experimentation.
- Analyzed data trends and contributed findings to ongoing research discussions.

Aero Northeastern

Boston, MA

Propulsion Team member

September 2023-April 2024

- Designed a regenerative rocket nozzle using SolidWorks and **NASA's CEA** (Chemical Equilibrium Analysis) to enhance propulsion efficiency.
- Collaborated with a multidisciplinary team in weekly meetings, applying aerospace engineering fundamentals to real-world projects.

LEADERSHIP & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

National Society of Black Engineers

Boston, MA

Treasurer

May 2024 – May 2025

- Spearheaded financial planning and budget management, securing sponsorships and leading fundraising events.
- Secured \$13,000+ in funding, enabling 30+ members to attend the NSBE National Conference in Chicago.
- Implemented financial tracking systems, enhancing efficiency in expenditure approvals and reimbursements.

Boeing Flight Competition

Atlanta, GA

Team Lead

February-March 2024

- Led a top-10 placing glider team, using laser cutting and SolidWorks to design, assemble, and test, multiple glider prototypes with material and load requirements
- Researched and applied aerodynamics principles, optimizing wing angle, fuselage shape, and stabilizer placement.
- Analyzed flight data to enhance performance, making data-driven adjustments for maximum glide distance.

SKILL & INTERESTS

Skills: SolidWorks, Fusion, Arduino, C++, MATLAB, AutoCAD, Laser cutting, 3D printing

Organizations: Caribbean Student Organization, Ujima Global Leaders, AeroNU, Black Engineering Student Society

Interests: Cooking, Marvel, Legos, Baseball, Aviation, Astronomy, Volunteering, Mentoring