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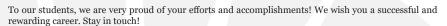
NOTE FROM THE CHAIR

We are very delighted about the 2023 Design and Manufacturing Expo. During this year's Expo, 41 groups will present their exciting projects, guided by our faculty. In addition, this event is a unique opportunity for our students to showcase their talent, innovation, ingenuity, teamwork, and engagement.

The Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering Department is a vibrant academic community offering three undergraduate degrees in Mechanical Engineering, Aerospace Engineering, and Applied Science (Packaging Engineering concentration). In addition, the Department offers graduate/advanced programs leading to M.S., M.Eng., and Ph.D. degrees.

Our close to 40 full-time faculty members educate more than 850 undergraduate and 150 graduate students. Our thriving community of students, faculty, alumni, and industry partners is devoted to collaborative work at the highest standards of research and innovation. Our faculty members are dedicated to enabling our students to achieve success and become problem solvers and innovators. Students have access to a wide range of classes that train them in the core principles of mechanical and aerospace engineering. In addition, they can participate in research projects as undergraduates, allowing them to gain experience in real-world applications comparable to research conducted by industry. Our faculty has achieved distinction among their peers and as fellows of professional engineering societies, including the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA), American Physical Society (APS), Acoustical Society of America (ASA), and American Academy of Mechanics (AAM). Our Department has an exciting and multidisciplinary research portfolio, which includes advancing scientific knowledge and technology in various areas, including nanostructures, hypersonics, autonomous robotics, electro-hydrodynamics, fluid interactions, energy science, and advanced materials, among many others.

We are grateful to all judges for their sustained commitment and participation in this event and our external Advisory Board for its dedicated support through the planning and execution. Thanks to all the faculty advisors, for leading and coordinating the entire Senior Project Experience. To our staff, particularly Dr. Basily Basily and Mr. Milan Simonovic, for their technical advice in reviewing designs and manufacturing project components.



Assimina A. Pelegri, Ph.D. Professor and Chair Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering

NOTE FROM THE COORDINATORS

Dear students, parents, and friends,

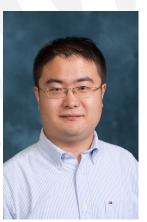
We would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to the Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering Department at Rutgers! In the following pages, you will find the Senior Design projects for AY 2022-23. During these projects, students have the opportunity to work with industry and faculty advisors, gaining experience in real-world engineering. Many of these projects can lead to new technologies or other innovations outside of academia, and they help our students transition to life after graduation.

To our seniors, we celebrate your accomplishments and appreciate your efforts. Your class achieved record numbers in engaging in professional and educational development activities, including internships and co-Ops, JJ Slade fellowships, and undergraduate research opportunities. You are now at the finishing line, ready to explore the many "tomorrows" to come. Many of you will continue your education in the BS/MS program at Rutgers or pursue higher degrees at other institutions, and many of you, at the time of this letter, have secured jobs. We are very proud of you and what you have accomplished in the last four years. We know that this was not easy for many of you, but again you raised to the occasion, and you showed how innovative, entrepreneur, and resourceful our young MAE engineers are. Use the inspiration and ingenuity you exhibited in your classes to propel you in the next chapters of your lives!

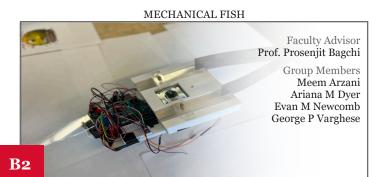
We would also like to express our gratitude to the course teaching assistants, Mr. Mohit Agarwal, George Gianoukakis, and Chengwei Zhao, whose hard work and dedication made senior design experience possible.

This brochure is a record of your achievements! Congratulations, Class of 2023!

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The Mechanical Fish is a robot that uses flexible metal to mimic the body undulations of fish to propagate forward. Biomimicry and sensors may allow for accurate data collection and wildlife observation.

SOLAR POWERED TERRAIN WALKER

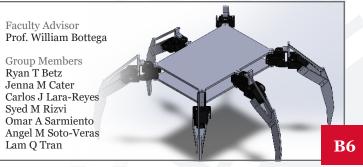


This project features a solar powered terrain walker, featuring independently controlled Klann linkage mechanisms as legs, a hinged body design for flexibility, and can navigate over or around uneven terrain.



Code and telemetry suite designed to measure and calculate the stability and control derivatives of an airplane midflight by flight dynamic equations and a multitude of sensors.

SOLAR POWERED HEXAPOD TERRAIN WALKER



Solar Powered Terrain Walker using a hexapod design capable of carrying a payload while traversing difficult terrains as well as negotiating direction changes, all while remaining within an 18-inch maximum height.



The autonomous Water Sampling Drone is an aerial drone capable of sampling water anywhere. This project is designed for the purpose of aiding people with the collection of water for various experiments.

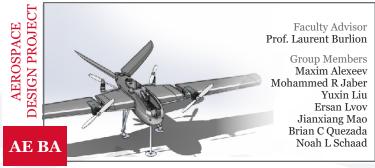
REACTION CONTROL SYSTEM FOR ROCKET NAVIGATION



A reaction control system and avionic system for rockets that will adjust fin rotation to reduce the effect of pitch and yaw moments to maximize apogee.

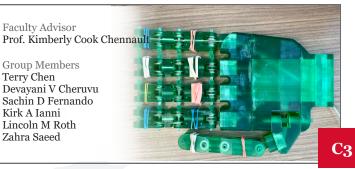


ENERGY EFFICIENT VTOL DRONE

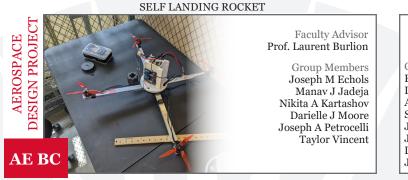


A drone that utilizes front tilting wing and rear tilting rotor mechanisms with hover capabilities. The drone has a shifting center of gravity to maximize lift and therefore ensures energy efficiency by maximizing flight time.

BLUETOOTH CONTROLLED AMBIDEXTROUS BIOMECHANICAL HAND



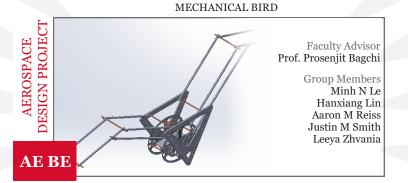
The objective of this Senior Design project is to design a biomechanical hand that will be Bluetooth controlled to hyperextend and hyperflex to become a right or left hand.



A compact Rocket payload that is using a builtin quad-copter drone to automatically stabilize the rocket during descent to carry and land the rocket back to the launch site.

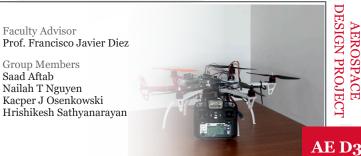


In collaboration with NASA, our group strives to integrate custombuilt, modular synthetic jet actuators into an RC plane for research purposes to encourage commercial integration of synthetic jets to improve aircraft performance.



We are building a mechanical bird which generates lift by flapping its wings - the design for the bird is based on a seagull.

DESIGN AND TESTING OF A LOW-COST WEATHER MONITORING DRONE



This project involves the development of a hexacopter drone capable of monitoring the weather by measuring atmospheric data, carbon emissions, and VOC gas emissions. Weather data will be analyzed jointly with the Rutgers Meteorological faculty.



BIO-INSPIRED FLAPPING WING ENERGY GENERATOR



This is a device that generates electrical energy using a mechanism based on the flapping motion of bird wings. Incoming wind causes the wings to flap, which are then connected to a generator.



VRACK is for those who may have suffered from strokes. Sensorized pedals attached to an exercise bike are used for rehabilitation and muscle coordination improvement. Feedback will be provided through a connected VR component.

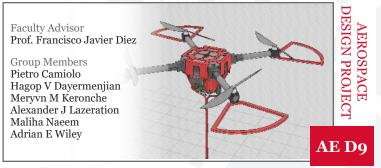
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BIO-INSPIRED FLAPPING WING ENERGY HARVESTER



An wing connected to a system and motor that utilizes wind and the motion of flapping to create a quiet, cost efficient, and easier way to harvest usuable energy.

TETHERED DRONE ATMOSPHERIC CONDITION MONITOR



The Tethered Drone Atmospheric Condition Monitor is used to measure atmospheric properties to ensure consistent communication in nonideal conditions. This can be used in military applications to foresee any communication interruption due to inclement weather.

POWERED PORTABLE SKATES Faculty Advisor Prof. German Drazer Group Members Yuliang Chiu Amit Epstain Ofek Sean C Piscetelli Konrad Zawadzki $\mathbf{D}_{\mathbf{7}}$

The electric skate project aims to turn a bothersome walk into a short adventure. The three-wheel design will allow any user to feel stable and secure while they get to where they need to go.

3D AUTOMATED GANTRY FOR SORTING AND ORGANIZATION

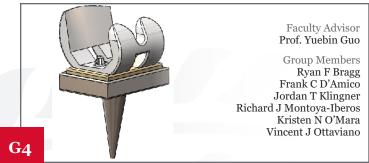
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A three axis automated gantry system used to sort items via color into similarly colored receptacles. A camera is used for object detection and the system will run autonomously.



HYBRID PRINTING - MACHINING OF CUSTOMIZABLE KNEE IMPLANT



The knee implant components can be customized through SolidWorks regarding size and features to be most applicable to a consumer. The assembly is then manufactured just from printing and machining.

WIND AND SOLAR POWERED WATER ELECTROLYSIS SYSTEM



Hybrid wind turbine and photovoltaic panel for energy harvesting plus electrolysis tank for hydrogen collection, integrated with electronics for system operation and data collection.

SOLAR-POWERED WATER PURIFIER

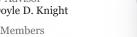


The Solar-Powered Water Purifier is a device which utilizes a fresnel lens to harness solar energy and in turn powers a water purification process that boils contaminated water to generate and condense purified steam.

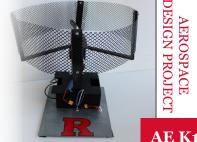
RUTGERS THRUST STAND (RTS)

Faculty Advisor Prof. Doyle D. Knight

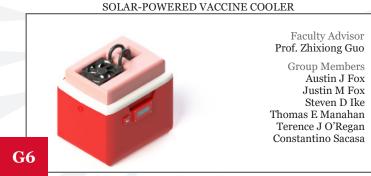
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The Rutgers Thrust Stand (RTS) is a tabletop thrust stand that displays the thrust, input electric power, and RPM produced by RC motors and propellers via LabVIEW. It measures thrusts between 5-20 Newtons.



A portable solar-powered cooler that will store vaccinations or other refrigerated medications by using a thermoelectric module powered by a solar panel and a long-life battery for consistent temperature control, day and night.

DESIGN OF MODEL AIRCRAFT ELECTRIC ENGINE THRUST STAND

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Tabletop Electric Engine Thrust Stand capable of measuring thrust, voltage, current and revolutions per minute of a motor and drone propeller.

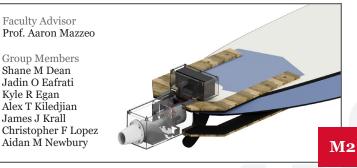


ELASTOMERIC COMPOSITE 3D PRINTER



The project goal is to modify a standard FDM 3D printer to be able to print elastomeric composites. This is accomplished by implementing a pump system that will transport the liquid elastomer material.

DETACHABLE PROPULSION UNIT FOR SURFBOARDS

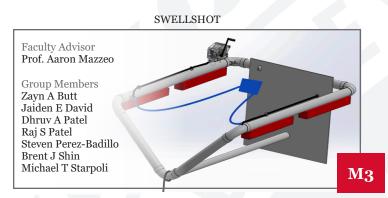


The goal of this project is to create a device that will allow a surfer to confidently catch waves without the limitations of an inadequate physical fitness required for paddling.

3D PRINTING OF THERMOPLASTIC PELLETS



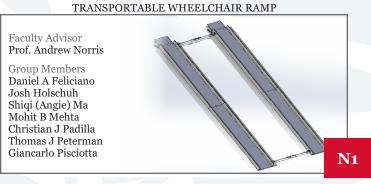
Building a custom extruder on a Lulzbot Mini capable of printing from thermoplastic pellets rather than filament. Allows for researchers to more easily test novel materials using the flexibility of 3D printing.



The SwellShot is a stationary floating surfboard propulsion system to help surfers of any proficiency to safely catch waves. This single-user mechanical system utilizes elastic cables to propel surfers to catch waves at different distances.

WIRELESS MOBILE 3D PRINTING ROBOT Faculty Advisor Prof. Rajiv Malhotra Group Members Kian Agrawala Sameer M Howe Arad Maghouli Evan A Nastarowicz Jonathan G Ramos Adeline N Ripberger

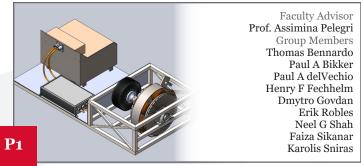
A small 3D printing system is mounted on a mobile base, which can be controlled wirelessly to print structures larger than itself. This robot is self-contained and compatible with popular robotics tools such as ROS.



The transportable wheelchair ramp is designed to be a lightweight, flexible, and user-friendly tool that allows those in wheelchairs to ascend steps up to 15" in height where permanent ramps are unavailable.

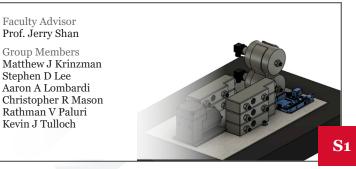


RFR POWERTRAIN DYNO



To increase the performance ceiling, the group is creating a dynamometer to measure the torque output for the Rutgers Formula Racing's motor the Emrax 208.

PRESSURE AND VACUUM DEVICE FOR DNA VACCINE DELIVERY



Design, build, and test a cuff which can alternately provide pressure and vacuum to spots on the arm. In order to enhance transdermal delivery of large molecules, including DNA vaccines, into cells.

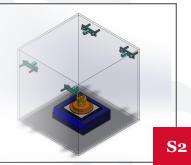


Analyzing issues of current dispense pump designs to redesign a pump that addresses issue such as clogging, product residue, and inconsistent product pumped.

SELF-LIMITING ELECTROSPRAY DEPOSITION CHAMBER

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Our system coats objects using Self-Limiting Electrospray Deposition, ensuring a uniform coating on even the most complex geometries. To improve the system, the spray holder and object platform, will be reworked.

SOLAR POWERED STEAM GENERATOR Faculty Advisor Prof. Todd Rossi Group Members Mark A Brenner Jeffrey S Brodhecker Jeremy L Christiansen Jianghong Gu Michael T Kirwan Ethan A Nobre Connor J O'Leary R1

The solar powered steam generator takes water inside a vacuum tube, introduces solar heat, causing the water to take on a gaseous state to power turbine.

PERSONAL PORTABLE AIR CONDITIONING UNIT



Design and build a functional personal portable AC unit that is battery powered and uses water as heat exhaustion. This product can be used in small spaces such as cubicles or student desks.

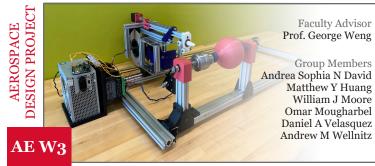


HIGH STRENGTH, LIGHT WEIGHT CYLINDAR PRESSURE VESSEL WITH FIBER REINFORCED COMPOSITES



Type 4 Carbon fiber cylindrical pressure vessel which is about 3.5 times lighter than that metallic tanks. Manufacture through the wet winding process prioritizing minimal thickness of carbon fiber layering.

HIGH STRENGTH, LIGHT WEIGHT SPHERICAL PRESSURE VESSEL WITH FIBER REINFORCED COMPOSITES



Our team designed a 4-axis filament winding machine to create high strength composite pressure vessels. The machine interfaces with a Matlab applet which helps users design and visualize the wrapping process based on their requirements.

THE C.H.A.D. BOT

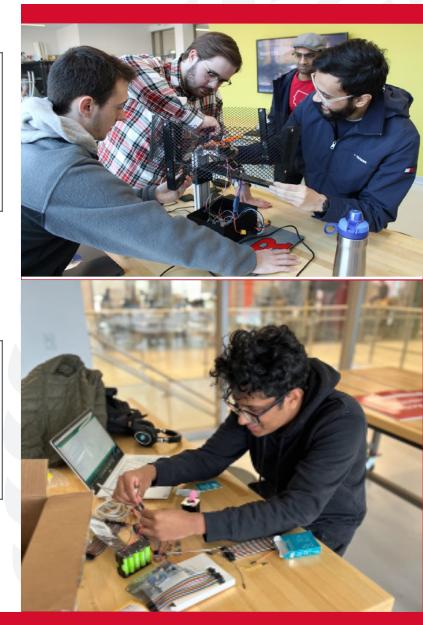


An autonomously navigating delivery customer service robot intended for settings such as a hospital or a restaurant to ease the workload of employees.

A MULTI-DIMENSIONAL FLEET OF INTELLIGENT MOBILE PLANTS FOR UNKNOWN TERRITORY EXPLORATION



The goal of this project is to provide an autonomous, communicative system consisting of multiple ground robots and a singular aerial drone that can locate, travel to, and confirm resources that are essential for survival.















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Mechanical & Aerospace Engineering at Rutgers

The Department of Mechanical Engineering at Rutgers was founded in 1908 with a focus on driving the country's industrial growth. Aerospace Engineering was added in 1965 as a certificate program with a full degree program established in 2015. It is now the only Aerospace Engineering degree offered among New Jersey's public universities. The Department is a vibrant academic community offering three undergraduate degrees in Mechanical Engineering, Aerospace Engineering, and Applied Science (Packaging Engineering concentration). The Department has state of the art laboratories used for research leading to M.S., M.Eng., and Ph.D. degrees. Undergraduate and graduate students participate in cutting edge research funded by federal and state agencies, and industrial partners. With close to 40 full-time faculty members, the Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering Department educates more than 850 undergraduate students and more than 150 graduate students. Excellence in both research and teaching is the top priority for our faculty.

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