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# NOTE FROM THE CHAIR

This is a very special year for all of us, we have been challenged by unprecedented circumstances at every level of our lives. The continuity of our Senior Projects at the most critical phase of fabrication were just one of these challenges. I am extremely proud of the collective and individual responses of students, faculty, and staff to overcome these unique conditions with ingenuity, passion, and sense of a community. We are also very grateful to all judges for their sustained commitment and participation in this event. We are all looking forward to the 2020 Virtual Expo to highlight the year-long effort of our Seniors in designing and manufacturing their capstone projects.

The Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering Department is a vibrant academic community offering two undergraduate degrees in Mechanical Engineering and Aerospace Engineering, in addition to graduate/advanced programs leading to MS, MEng and PhD degrees. Our 30+ full-time faculty members educate more than 750 undergraduate and 160 graduate students. Our Department is one of the largest and oldest units in the School of Engineering, having been founded in 1908. Today, our programs rank on the top 40 Graduate Engineering Programs in the nation, according to U.S. News and World Report. Our exciting and multidisciplinary research portfolio is advancing research in a variety of scientific and technological areas, including nanostructures, autonomous robotics, electro-hydrodynamics, fluid interactions, energy science, and advanced materials.

Our community of students, faculty, alumni, and industry partners is devoted to collaborative work at the highest standards of research and innovation. Every faculty member is dedicated to helping our students achieve success through teaching excellence and an exciting array of research projects. Students have access to a wide range of classes that train them in the core principles of mechanical and aerospace engineering. They have the opportunity to participate in research projects as undergraduates, allowing them to gain experience in real-world applications comparable to research conducted by industry.

Excellence in teaching is a priority for our faculty members who take seriously their role as educators, training students to be problem solvers and innovators. Our faculty has achieved distinction among their peers and as fellows of professional engineering societies, including the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), American Physical Society (APS), Acoustical Society of America (ASA), and the American Academy of Mechanics (AAM).

Our warm welcome to our 2020 Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering Expo!

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# NOTE FROM THE COORDINATOR

Dear students, parents, and friends,

I 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 2019-20. During these projects, students have the opportunity to work with industry members as well as faculty, 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. This year was different...

This year was marked by the Covid 19 pandemic. We had to stop the in-person teaching and start remote lecturing. The students had to leave campus and classrooms, the machine shop got deserted, and Weeks Hall design studios were empty with half-cooked projects on the benches. This year will never be forgotten. Although some of us got sick, depressed, and upset with the unfairness of the situation, we ALL pulled together, supported each other, finished the classes, shared our homes and rooms and studying corners, communicated, innovated, designed, build. We persevered!

My message this year is profoundly personal and addressed to you, OUR SENIORS. I have had the honor of knowing you all, spent time with you in the class, reviewed every single one of your grades, and heard your stories. I want to say that I am very proud of you and what you have accomplished under these difficult circumstances. I know that for a lot of you, this was not easy, but again you raised to the situation and you showed how innovative, entrepreneur, and resourceful our young MAE engineers are.

This brochure is a record of your achievements! Congratulations!

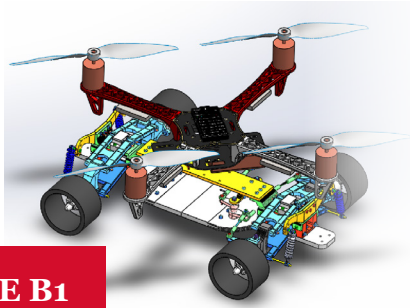
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# DESIGN AND MANUFACTURING PROJECTS

AEROSPACE DESIGN PROJECT

## LAND-AIR HYBRID VEHICLE



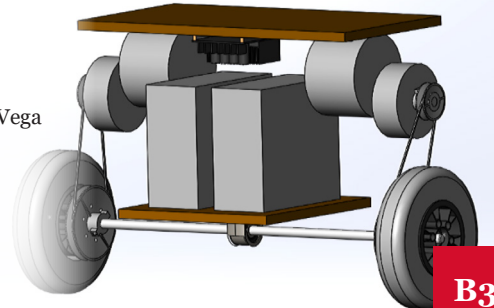
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**AE B1**

This drone is designed for air and ground travel. It is powerful enough to carry up to two kilograms of payload/equipment to use for missions involving traversal of complex spaces, such as caves.

## MOTORIZED WHEELCHAIR KIT



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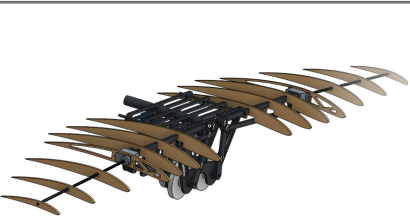
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**B3**

Our kit is a cheaper motorized wheelchair option when compared to the other products in the market. By creating a specialized pulley system, a wheelchair can be pushed with the kit still attached.

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## MECHANICAL BIRD



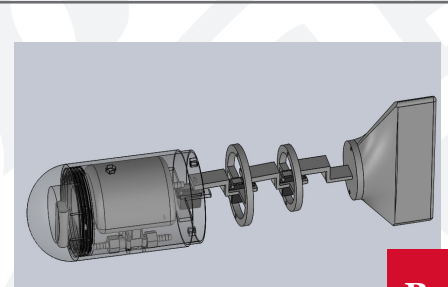
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**AE B2**

The goal of our project is to produce thrust and lift by the various motions of a bird wing. This includes the initial flapping, bending of the elbow, and tilting of the wing tips.

## BIOMECHANICAL FISH



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**B4**

A robot that mimics the movement of a real fish using undulatory forces created by torque from the tail and uses a dynamically changing density to rise and fall in the water.

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## DRONES IN TANDEM



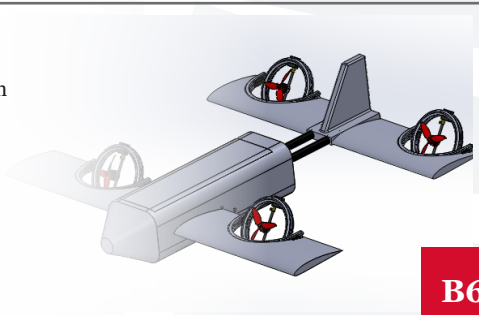
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**AE B3**

The goal is to have a secondary drone perform the same flight commands that a main drone, preferably remote controlled, is executing.

## SMALL-SCALE FLYING CAR



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**B6**

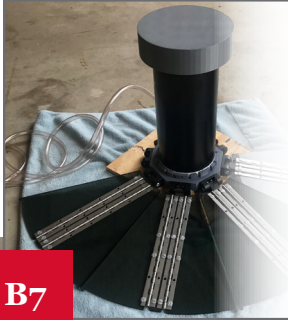
Our project is a small scale VTOL aircraft that is capable of transitioning from quadcopter-like takeoff to agile fixed-wing aircraft. The aircraft is controlled by thrust vectoring four biaxial gimbal motor mounts.



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## HYBRID LUNAR INFLATABLE STRUCTURE



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**AE B7**

A Hybrid Lunar Inflatable habitat designed to function as an early Lunar base in a series of Moon missions to develop a Lunar colony. The model built demonstrates the deployment of the structure, including inflation.

## DRONE HUNTER



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**AE BD**

A drone that navigates to a target drone autonomously and captures it, and then carries it to a designated location. The target drone is recognized using a thermal camera.

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## MULTI-MODE HYBRID DRONE DELIVERY SYSTEM



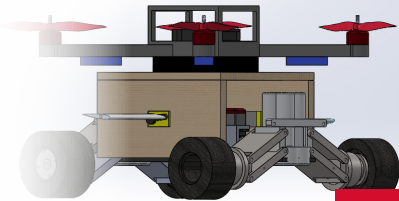
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**AE BA**

This project aims to create a collaborative multi-UAV system, powered by a multi-mode and novel navigation system, to enable power-efficient and automated last-mile package delivery.

## SMALL SCALE FLYING CAR



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**AE BE**

A small-scale, new-age flying car. It has VTOL capabilities for agility, and increased take off efficiency. It also has an attached wing to better perform on long-distance flights.

## ZERO-G DRONE



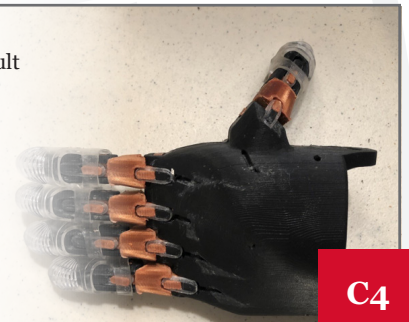
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**BB**

The Zero-G Drone creates a microgravity testing environment for a small payload. This is achieved with a custom designed drone and an accelerated free-fall flight profile.

## VOICE CONTROLLED PROSTHETIC HAND



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**C4**

The drone population is increasing with a need for a better way to maintain multiple drones in a single docking station. Drones will be able to be released and fly on command from docking station.

# DESIGN AND MANUFACTURING PROJECTS

## 3D-PRINTED PROSTHETIC HAND WITH ARCHERY ATTACHMENT MECHANISM



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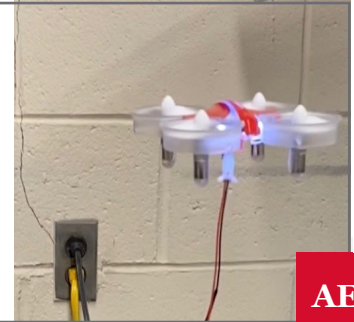
C5

A 3D-printed prosthetic hand based on the e-NABLE Phoenix Hand v2 model which has been modified to house a mechanism that allows the user to draw/release a bow & arrow.

## TETHERED DRONES

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AE D2

Our project sends high-voltage power through a very thin and lightweight tether to a drone. This tether has its length and tension carefully managed with a computerized base station.

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## IM TILTED



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AE D1

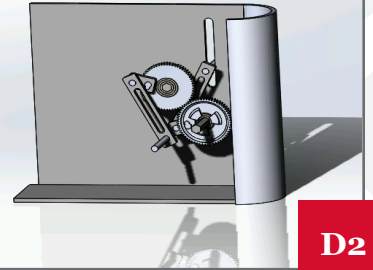
The electrical vertical take off and landing vehicle (eVTOLs) will be the future of delivery and continue pushing the technological advancement of delivery systems.

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## FLAPPING WING ENERGY HARVESTER

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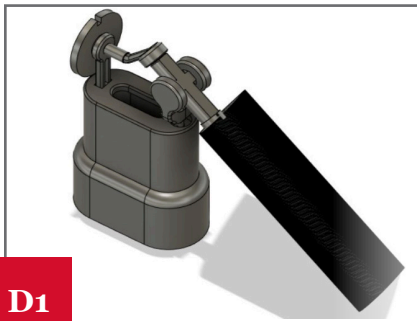
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D2

The two goals of the project are to design a more stable and easily calibrated schlieren system and to create a new control code in LabView that is clear and well commented.

## FLAPPING WING ENERGY HARVESTER



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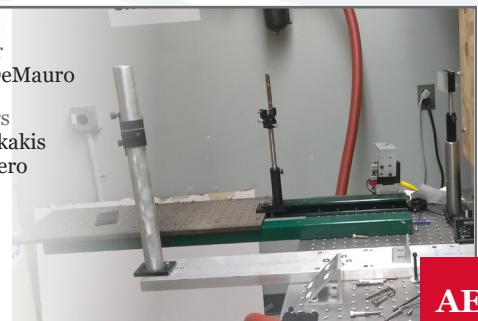
D1

Using mostly 3D printed parts, it is our goal to create a wing energy harvester that mimics the flapping motion of a bird to generate renewable energy.

## JET THRUST LABORATORY: DESIGN OF A NEW SCHLIEREN SYSTEM AND CONTROL CODE

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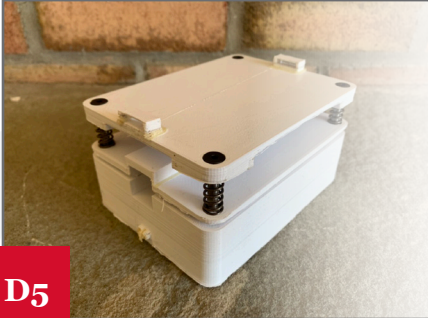
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# DESIGN AND MANUFACTURING PROJECTS

## BICYCLE THERAPY WITH VIRTUAL REALITY



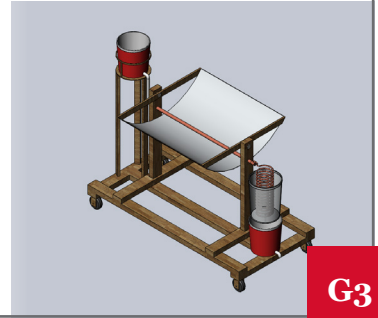
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Bicycle physiotherapy for patients suffering from leg, knee, or hip injuries with a virtual reality software displayed on a monitor to provide feedback to their movement.

## PORTABLE SOLAR DESALINATION DEVICE



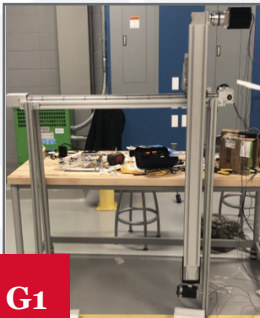
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This device uses a parabolic trough to reflect sunlight onto a pipe filled with sea or brackish water. This water then exits the pipe as steam and is condensed, leaving drinkable water.

## AUTOMATED GANTRY SYSTEM



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An automated gantry system operating from an ArduinoMEGA, allows for an electromagnet to pick and place objects with bi-directional output from two stainless steel actuators.

## FLEXIBLE SOLAR PANELS



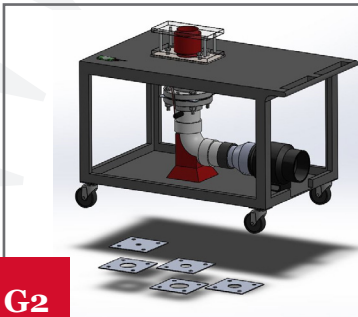
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Flexible solar panels provide a source of renewable energy for curved or uneven structures. The design encompasses high efficiency cells with latent heat cooling to ensure a thin flexible design does not sacrifice power efficiency.

## PORTABLE FLOW BENCH



G2

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Our project is a flow bench that can be moved easily. Orifice plates can be changed in a matter of minutes, and the discharge coefficient will be read out on LCD screen.

## 3D PRINTING OF A CUSTOMIZED KNEE IMPLANT



G5

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Implemented additive manufacturing techniques to determine the viability of a customized knee implant. Designed to optimize contact surface conformity and reduce material wear rate for the patient.



# DESIGN AND MANUFACTURING PROJECTS

## WIND BEANS



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This project features a hydroponic system which is powered by a team designed and built wind turbine. Any excess energy created by the turbine is recycled by means of a water wheel.

## DESIGN OF A TABLETOP ELECTRIC MOTOR THRUST STAND



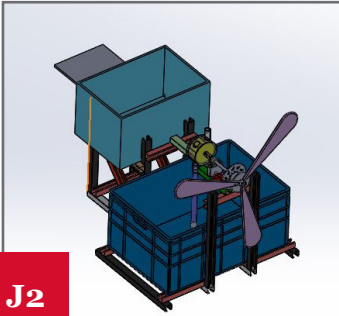
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We are designing and fabricating a tabletop test stand for electric motors to measure thrust, RPM, and power. A LabView interface houses the controls and displays captured data to be saved and exported.

## WIND ME OVER



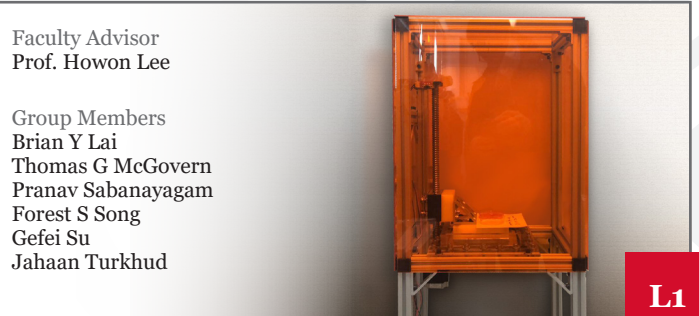
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Our project will utilize a wind turbine to directly drive a rotary water pump. The pump will store water in a tank and will be electronically controlled to flow through an irrigation system.

## CERAMIC DLP 3D PRINTER



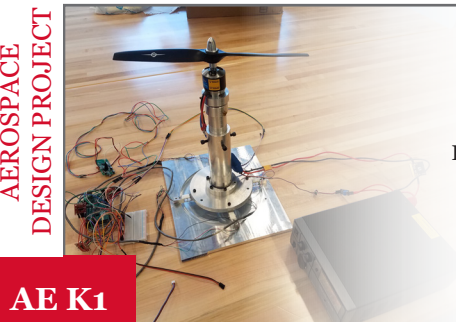
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Using digital light projection, our printer is capable of 3D printing ceramic parts with higher density than current commercial options, resulting in parts with less shrinkage and porosity post-sintering.

## RC MOTOR THRUST TEST STAND



AE K1

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Tabletop test stand to download real time thrust (in the range of 5 to 20 Nt), input electric power, and rpm data of an RC motor and propeller.

## RECYCLABLE PLASTIC 3D PRINTER



L2

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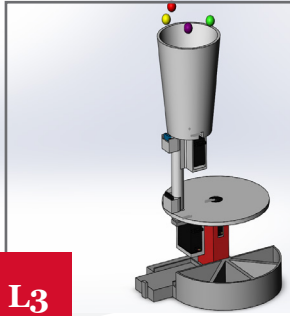
Three step design to create commercial grade 3D filament to be input to a 3D printer for demonstration, including shredder and heating chamber.



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## COLOR SORTER



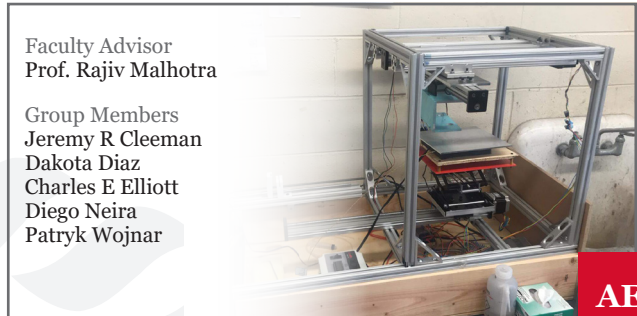
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An automated sorter that sorts candy by color using two Arduinos, three Servos, two RGB sensors, and multiple 3D prints.

## ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING OF SMART MATERIAL COMPOSITES WITH VARIABLE STIFFNESS



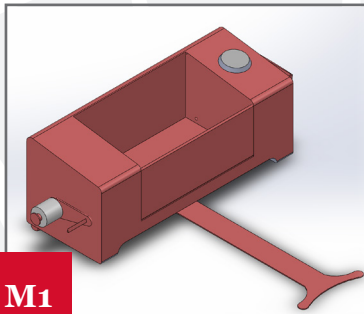
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A 3-D printer with capabilities to print, sinter, and cure circuits and structural components inside of PDMS to allow for flexible movement with varying stiffness inside of a robot.

## CUSTOM BANDAGE



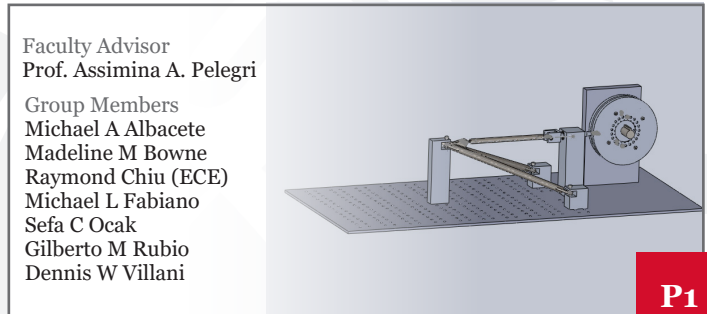
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This system is designed to import a smartphone image from the user and creates a bandage of custom size and shape that correlates to the dimensions and location of the wound.

## RUTGERS FORMULA RACING FATIGUE TESTER



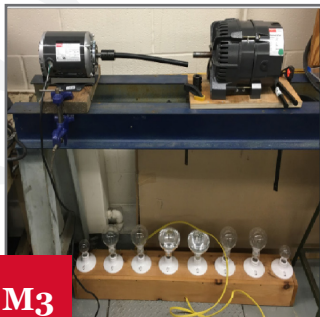
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P1

The RFR Fatigue Tester will help test, validate, and iterate designs of critical components that are exceedingly difficult to simulate. This data will be used to improve vehicle maintenance and the team's design score.

## OPTICAL TORQUE MEASURING DEVICE



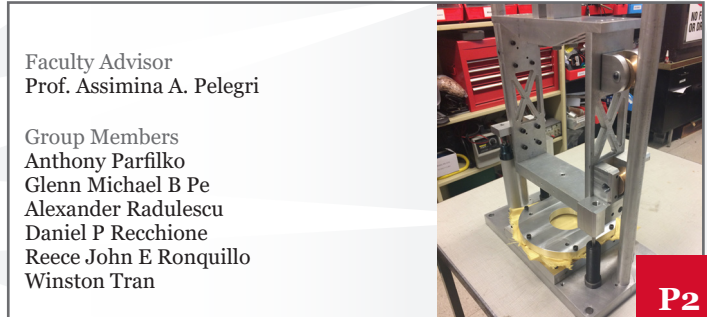
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Optical Torque Measuring Device that industries could put on their engines and motors to determine the efficiency to help prevent engine and motor failure.

## HIGH-SPEED DATA ACQUISITION



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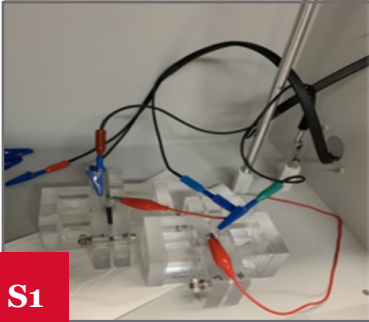
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P2

The impact tester will be able to record the force response of a test material under a high-speed impact using fine adjustments to the initial energy input, momentum, and force applied.

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## BLUE ENERGY



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The salinity gradient between freshwater and saltwater is an untapped source of renewable energy. Boron-nitride nanotube (BNNT) membranes double the energy created between this gradient. This project demonstrates the capabilities of BNNT-membranes to power devices.

## EQUINE SIMULATOR FOR HIPPO THERAPY AND RIDER TRAINING

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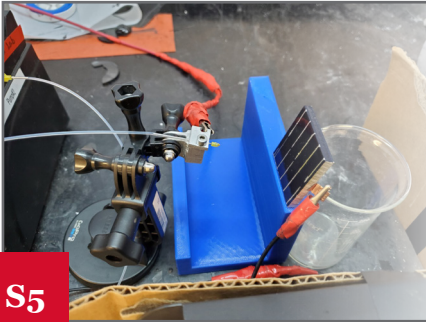
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T1

This project aims to create a system to recreate the movements of a horse such as the walk, trot, canter, and gallop. This mechanism can be used for hippotherapy and teaching new riders. baffle design

## SCRATCH REPAIR VIA ELECTROSPRAY DEPOSITION



S5

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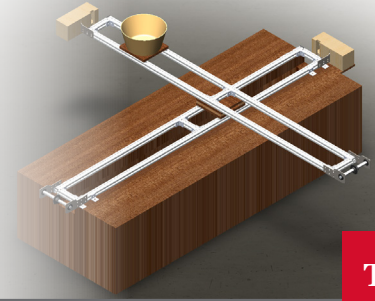
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This project aims to use the well-documented process of electro-spray deposition and apply it to automotive scratches as an improved scratch repair process, saving labor, time, and money.

## 2D BALL CATCHING ROBOT

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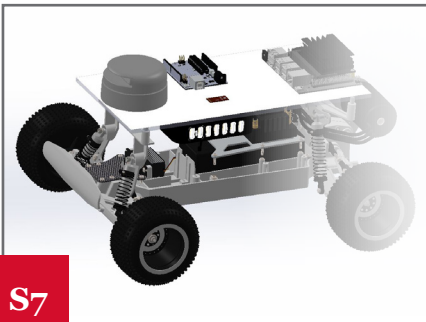
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T2

A catching system designed and outfitted to detect incoming projectiles and calculates its spatial coordinates and trajectory and sequentially moves a catching bucket to securely receive the object within its 2D catching range.

## AUTONOMOUS CAR



S7

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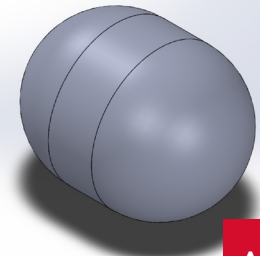
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Our project consists of designing and building a 1/10th scale autonomous racecar. The car will be able to complete a racetrack using no human input.

## LIGHTWEIGHT, HIGH-STRENGTH CYLINDRICAL PRESSURE VESSEL, REINFORCED WITH CARBON FIBER EPOXY FOR CRYOGENIC APPLICATIONS

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AEROSPACE  
DESIGN PROJECT

AE W2

A lightweight, high-strength, cylindrical pressure vessel containing a stainless steel inner wall, wrapped with a carbon fiber epoxy outlay to withstand cryogenic temperatures. Includes anti-slosh baffle design for rigidity.



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



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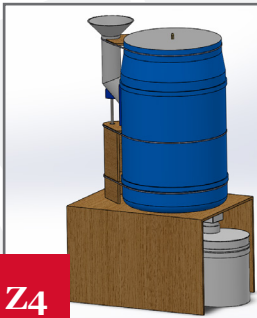
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Z3

A fleet of both drone and ground rovers built and programmed with the purpose of safely transporting plants through unexplored territories.



### AUTOMATED BIOGAS SOLUTION



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Z4

Automated anaerobic digestion system for commercial scale repurposing of food waste into fertilizer and biogas through the use of anaerobic digestion.



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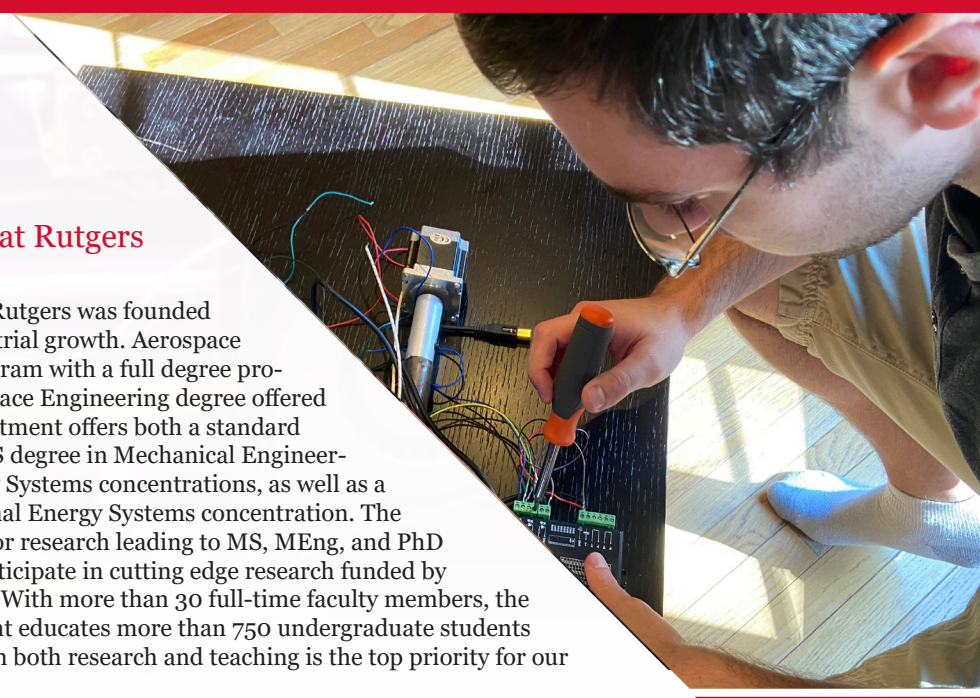
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