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Civil Engineering

Hometown: Strongsville, Ohio

Professional/Student Organizations:

- President of ASCE
- The Steel Bridge Team

Co-op/Research Experience

- Kenmore Construction, Akron Ohio
- Independence Excavating, Cleveland Ohio
- Corna Kokosing Construction Company, Columbus Ohio



The reason why I chose to attend the University of Akron was because it was close to my hometown, the Co-op program trumped other schools, and the College of Engineering had a very high success rate and reputation.

Why did you choose Civil Engineering as your major?

I chose Civil Engineering because my father was a Civil Engineer and he inspired me to pursue this career. In addition, this discipline of engineering provided the most opportunity to make a real difference in the world. Lastly, Civil Engineering is very high in demand in today's world and thus it will provide job security for me.

What advice would you give to an incoming engineering student?

College is a clean slate. That not only means to reinvent yourself, but also develop new studying habits to succeed as an engineer. In addition, get involved around campus. That does not only mean design teams, but other organizations such as Campus Focus, Habitat for Humanity, etc.

What is the most valuable thing that the College of Engineering has taught you?

The most valuable thing the College of Engineering has taught me is that there will be good days and tough days, but the struggle will make you a stronger person and thus, it will make you more successful at approaching and solving problems as an engineer.

