

# Kelly O'Neill

Electrical Engineering  
Mathematics Minor

**Hometown:** Greensburg, PA

## **Professional/Student Organizations:**

NASA Robotic Mining Competition Design Team  
Habitat for Humanity  
Campus Focus

## **Co-op/Research Experience**

Kent Displays Inc.  
Delta Systems Inc.  
Undergraduate Research



## **Why did you choose the University of Akron?**

I chose the University of Akron because it gave me the opportunities of a big university, but it felt like a small campus. Akron's engineering program also gave me the ability to gain real hands-on experience through design teams and its co-op program.

## **Why did you choose Electrical Engineering as your major?**

I chose Electrical Engineering because of how prominent technology has become in our world. The idea that I could design something and then program it to function as I wished was incredibly powerful and just something I could see myself doing as my career.

## **What is one of your most memorable moments here at the University of Akron's College of Engineering?**

I'll never forget the moment I finished populating my first circuit board for my design team. I had spent the semester designing and redesigning it. We hadn't even tested it and I was just grinning from ear to ear. And then the moment the power and communication LEDs came on, you would have thought I won the lottery I was so excited!

## **What advice would you give to an incoming engineering student?**

Take every opportunity. Whether that means joining a team, traveling abroad, doing research, or being a leader in something you never thought you would. This is your time to just try things and find out what you're interested in, what you're good at, and what you really enjoy doing.