

# **Daniel Mugongo**

Mechanical Engineering

**Hometown:** Cleveland, Ohio

## **Professional/Student Organizations:**

- National Society for Black Engineers
- Increasing Diversity in Engineering Academics

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

- Parker Hannifin Corporation – 3 Rotations

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

I choose the University of Akron through the influence of my Community College advisor, who seemed to like the school and pretty much knew how outstanding the engineering program was. Not only Engineering, but the school in general gave me a welcoming hand when I visited it the first time and from there on I thought it would be the right place for me.

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

I chose Mechanical Engineering because I am a hands-on person and I wanted to learn more on the practical side of things. I felt I was strong with theoretical concepts, but I wanted to build my practical skills to become a well-rounded engineer. Mechanical engineering is a very broad field that would allow me to interact with various people to work together towards a better tomorrow.

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

The most memorable time is when I learned that two heads are better than one. The point being that no matter where we are in life, we always need help and engineering is not a field of I can do all by myself.

## **What is the most valuable thing you have learned from your UA experiences?**

Teamwork is the main branch of engineering.

