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#### **EDUCATION**

**PE Civil: Construction**, May 2023, https://account.ncees.org/rn/1640086-1588426-a546f45

PhD Candidate in Civil Engineering, 2016-2022

Rice University, 4.110 GPA (A+ is equal to 4.33)

Texas Engineer In Training, EIT #58732 (May 15, 2017)

Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering, May 2016

Rice University, 4.05 GPA (A+ is equal to 4.33), Summa Cum Laude

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

## Graduate Researcher for Dr. Leonardo Dueñas-Osorio

(2019 May – 2022 Nov)

- Developing tensor network algorithms for calculating network reliability
- Collecting and analyzing infrastructure data (traffic speed, power outages, Houston 311 calls)
- Extending network resilience algorithms to quantum computers
- Wrote storage cell code for brays bayou 2D flood modeling

## Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, Internship

(2022 June - July)

• Literature review on Critical Infrastructure Networks

## Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Full Time Fellowship Internship

(2018 May – August)

- Investigated anomalous magnetic behavior of multi-oxide materials
- Operated and automated load frames; Developed measurement protocols

## Graduate Researcher for Dr. Rouzbeh Shahsavari

(2016 May – 2019 May)

- Synthesized nanomaterials, such as graphene oxide; Served as a Laboratory Safety Contact
- Created and programmed hardware; Performed feature analysis on molecular modeling data
- Teaching assistant for "Reinforced Concrete Buildings"

## Undergraduate Researcher for Dr. Leonardo Dueñas-Osorio (2014 September - 2016 May)

Collected GIS data; Maintained Houston Storm Risk Calculator website

# Finfrock Design, Manufacture, Construct Inc., Full Time Paid Intern (2014 May – August)

• Performed field work; Submitted a review on workplace safety and workplace efficiency

# **Charles Clayton Construction, Full Time Paid Intern**

(2013 May – August)

## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

FY 2016 Integrated University Program Fellowship – Department of Energy

Engineers Without Borders–USA Premier Project Award, Lucidia Mantilla Project

(2014)

### **PUBLICATIONS**

- Shepherd, K., L. Dueñas-Osorio, "Tensor Network Contraction For Network Reliability Estimates", The 13th International Conference on Structural Safety and Reliability, 2021.
- Image credit for "How to Evacuate Cities before Dangerous Hurricanes", Scientific American, 2018
- Applied Technology Council, "Critical Assessment of Lifeline System Performance: Understanding Societal Needs in Disaster Recovery", National Institute of Standards and Technology, 2016.
  - o Co-Author of Chapter 8 and Appendix E: Interdependent Infrastructure Systems

### **VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE AND ACTIVITIES**

#### **Engineers Without Borders**

August 2012 - March 2020

- Completed 2 projects while undergrad, mentored students while in graduate school
- Provided guidance for engineering systems, such as foundations and pipeline design

## **Houston Habitat For Humanity**

August 2016 - March 2020

Hurricane Harvey Recovery [Bayou Action Street Health, West Street Recovery] Fall 2017 – 2019