

Travis Pero

Biomedical Engineering, Biomaterials and Tissue track

Hometown: Norton, OH

Professional/Student Organizations:

- Tau Beta Pi, 2017-present, Biomedical Engineering Society, 2014-present,
- National Society of Collegiate Scholars, 2014-present
- The National Society of Leadership and Success, 2015-present
- Omicron Delta Kappa, 2016-present
- International Society of Computational Biology, 2016-present
- Pre-Dental Club- Vice President, 2016-present
- Biomedical Engineering Design Team- President, 2014-present
- Honduras Medical Mission Trip-Spanish Translator, 2013-present
- El Salvador Experiential Learning Trip, 2015
- Williams Honors College Delegate- Vice President, 2016-present, Presidential
- University Ambassadors, 2016-present
- National Residence Hall Honorary, 2016-present
- One of a Kind Pet Rescue Center, 2014-present
- Zips for Akron Hope, 2015-present



Why UA College of Engineering?

The University of Akron offers so many opportunities for its students, and its College of Engineering is no exception. The college as a whole offers students hands on training through its design teams, research opportunities, and especially its Co-Op education program. Most students attend college in the hopes of securing a job following graduation, and I was no exception. The College of Engineering was the perfect match for me. I also felt important as a student. Too often I feel a student's tuition money matters more than their actual success and experience, and I did not feel that way when visiting Akron's campus. I saw that students matter at UA, especially in the College of Engineering, and that in addition to offering incredible resources, its smaller campus offered me more direct access to those resources.

Why did you choose your major?

As a high school student I felt drawn to being imaginative and creative, but I also loved chemistry, biology, and physics. I knew areas of interest, but I did not know what I would like to pursue as a career. Biomedical Engineering was the perfect choice for me as it gave me flexibility in my pursuit of a future career and its interdisciplinary courses made me a well-rounded engineer and student.