

Luke Schmitt

Mechanical Engineering
Minor in Applied Mathematics

Hometown: Chicago, Illinois

Professional/Student Organizations:

- NASA Robotic Mining Competition Team
- Biomedical Engineering Design Team

Co-op/Research Experience

- S&C Electric
- Moen
- University of Akron Musculoskeletal Biomechanics Laboratory



Why did you choose the University of Akron?

I chose UA for their outstanding co-op program and student design teams, as well as the amazing sense of community and the opportunities for personal and professional growth.

Why did you choose Mechanical Engineering as your major?

I've always been interested in building things. As a kid, I played with LEGO bricks and made my own simple robots using the Mindstorms kits. It was rewarding to see what I created come to life. Those experiences inspired me to seek a career in robotics and I thought a degree in mechanical engineering would be a good place to start.

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

My most memorable moment has been delivering the Biomedical Engineering Design Team projects to families with children in need. These kids will use the tools and toys to promote their own development and independence. I'm humbled to have had a positive impact on their lives.

What advice would you give to an incoming engineering student?

Get involved! Not only will you learn a lot, you'll make friends along the way.