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Biomedical Engineering
Professional Sales Certificate

Hometown: Stow, Ohio

Professional/Student Organizations:
- Phi Delta Theta Fraternity
- Biomedical Engineering Design Team

Co-op/Research Experience
- The Swagelok Company
- Invacare Corporation
- Applied Medical Technology (AMT)

Why did you choose the University of Akron?
The University of Akron felt like a place where I could grow as a person and a student. I loved that I wouldn’t be just another number. The campus was just the right size for me and the people seemed as friendly as ever. To top it all off the engineering program was full of different opportunities. The University of Akron was a clear choice for me and I’m so glad I ended up here.

Why did you choose Biomedical Engineering as your major?
In high school, engineering sounded like an obvious choice to me. Picking the specific discipline wasn’t too hard either. I wanted to combine two things that I loved the most to choose my career, which included helping others and the love for creating and improving things. What better way to incorporate these things than through Biomedical Engineering, which would give me the opportunity to create products to save and improve lives.

What is your most memorable moment here at the UA’s College of Engineering?
My most memorable moment was completing and delivering our design team project. All the hard work we had put in as a team had finally paid off and the look on the parents faces when we delivered the project to their son was priceless. This moment was the reason I chose Biomedical Engineering. The chance to change a child’s life through something we created was priceless.

What advice would you give to an incoming engineering student?
Don’t get too hung up on your grades. That doesn’t mean don’t do well in class, but instead what I mean is that there is much more to engineering then all the classes. Become a well-rounded engineer and get involved in a multitude of different organizations. There is a lot to learn from other people so make sure to take it all in. Lastly, get some real-world experience and try to set yourself apart from others around you. This could be done through co-ops and internships or even through design team experiences. Employers love seeing these real world experiences and it’s a great feeling when you can tell them about your experiences.