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I am entering my final year of undergraduate education in the Civil/Forest Engineering program at Oregon State University. I moved to the Southern Oregon Coast in 2005, and have grown to love the beautiful Oregon forests and all of the outdoor activities they have to offer.

Over the past few summers I have completed different engineering internships with the Coos Watershed Association, Campbell Global, LLC (two seasons), The Dyer Partnership Engineers and Planners, and am currently with KPFF Consulting Engineers.



I hold a number of different leadership positions during the academic year. Through my involvement with Phi Kappa Phi, I serve as the OSU chapter's Student Vice President as well as a representative and delegate at the society's biennial national convention. I will also chair the Professional Development position for OSU's ASCE chapter during the 2016-2017 academic year. These leadership positions allow me to help civil engineering students connect with industry professionals and learn more about the field – a task I have taken great pride and pleasure in over the last few years. My other extra-curricular activities include undergraduate student research and teaching. I am an undergraduate research assistant in the Aerial Information Systems (AIS) laboratory in the College of Forestry and a research assistant in the Transforming Undergraduate Education in STEM (TUES) project in the College of Engineering.

My future goals include earning a master's degree in geotechnical engineering, and eventually opening an engineering consulting firm with my siblings. Thank you for your support and assistance with my education to allow me to reach my career goals!