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### **Education**

- Did not get a “B” in all sophomore classes (hint: no “A”s either), 1993-1994.
- Rejected by top-choice universities and the hope to study particle physics, 1992.
- Failed to pass the high school entrance exam (by a large margin). Audited high school for three years, 1989-1992.

### **Employment**

Spent four years (2008-2012) to find a suitable tenure-track faculty position, with 244 applications submitted, 18 phone interviews, and 10 on campus interviews.

### **Competition**

Failed to qualify for the University Rover Challenge (URC) onsite competition for three years, 2018, 2019, 2020.

### **Publication: Rejected Journal Articles (Selected)**

- One manuscript rejected by AIAA JGCD, 2019.
- One manuscript rejected by IEEE RA-L, 2018.
- One manuscript rejection by AIAA Journal of Aircraft, 2017.
- Two manuscripts rejected by AIAA JGCD, 2015.
- One manuscript rejected by AIAA TRO, 2014.
- One manuscript rejected by IEEE TGRS, 2010.
- One manuscript rejected by AIAA JGCD, 2010.
- One manuscript rejected by IEEE TRO, 2011.

**Publication: Rejected Conference Papers (Selected)**

- *Five out of five* manuscripts rejected by ICRA, 2020.
- One manuscript rejection by IROS, 2018.
- One manuscript rejection by ICRA, 2018.
- One manuscript rejection by IROS, 2017.

**Rejected Research Grant Proposals**

*NSF Record (PI on 11 rejected proposals):*

Agency	Agency Tracking Number	Grants.gov Tracking ID	Submitting Institution	Descriptive Title of Project	Status	Status Date	Received Date	Requested Amount
NSF	2021781		WV Univ Research Corp	NRT-FW-HTF: Rural Robotics – Transforming Rural Workforce through...	Declined	05/27/2020	02/05/2020	\$3,000,000
NSF	2024343		WV Univ Research Corp	Collaborative Research: NRI: INT: Safe and Resilient Obstacle...	Pending	04/16/2020	02/23/2020	\$375,000
NSF	1939013		WV Univ Research Corp	REU Site: Undergraduate Robotics Research in Human-Swarm Interaction	Awarded	07/30/2019	06/17/2019	\$16,000
NSF	1851815		WV Univ Research Corp	REU Site: Undergraduate Robotics Research in Human-Swarm Interaction	Awarded	03/06/2019	08/19/2018	\$287,310
NSF	1651155		WV Univ Research Corp	CAREER: Swarm of Affectable Robots (SOAR)	Declined	01/03/2017	07/14/2016	\$400,029
NSF	1637655		WV Univ Research Corp	NRI: Soft Autonomy	Declined	08/04/2016	03/03/2016	\$349,262
NSF	1637749		WV Univ Research Corp	NRI: Precision Pollination Robot	Withdrawn	07/17/2016	03/06/2016	\$1,065,010
NSF	1632062		WV Univ Research Corp	PFI:BIC: Smart collaborative service breeding environment for human-robot...	Declined	06/02/2016	01/28/2016	\$975,371
NSF	1552483		WV Univ Research Corp	CAREER: Conformity-Oriented Network For Operator-Robot Management (CONFORM)	Declined	12/10/2015	07/19/2015	\$400,462
NSF	1525621		WV Univ Research Corp	NRI: Precision Pollination Robot	Declined	06/05/2015	01/12/2015	\$962,291
NSF	1524685		WV Univ Research Corp	NRI: Opportunistic Robot Navigation	Declined	05/18/2015	01/11/2015	\$363,200
NSF	1426780		WV Univ Research Corp	NRI: Multiple Operator-Vehicle Engagement (MOVE)	Declined	05/31/2014	01/20/2014	\$399,951
NSF	1317183		WV Univ Research Corp	NRI: Small: Tightly-Coupled Human Recognition and Robot Motion...	Declined	04/09/2013	12/06/2012	\$399,553
NSF	1016409		WV Univ Research Corp	RI: Small: Learning How Insects Learn, and How...	Declined	05/21/2010	12/14/2009	\$318,597
NSF	0913878		WV Univ Research Corp	RI: Small: Novel Framework and Tools to...	Declined	06/14/2009	12/08/2008	\$232,009
NSF	0913658		WV Univ Research Corp	RI: Small: Multiple-Model Adaptive Motion-Planner (M-MAP)	Declined	04/15/2009	12/08/2008	\$281,902
NSF	0652754		WV Univ Research Corp	Behavior-Based Formation Flight Control	Declined	03/01/2007	09/21/2006	\$285,829

*Overall (not counting white papers, pre-proposals, etc.):*

- One proposal rejected (so far), 2020.
- Two proposals rejected, 2019.
- Four proposals rejected, 2018.

- Three proposals rejected, 2017.
- Six proposals rejected, 2016.
- Eight proposals rejected, 2015.
- Seven proposals rejected, 2014.
- One proposal rejected, 2013.
- Five proposals rejected, 2012.
- Two proposals rejected, 2011.
- Four proposals rejected, 2010.
- Nine proposals rejected, 2009.
- Eight proposals rejected, 2008.
- Six proposals rejected, 2007.
- Four proposals rejected, 2006.

### **Digital Footprint**

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