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## **Areas of Specialization**

Metals
Polymers & Composites
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Failure Analysis

## **Education**

M.S., Materials Science and Engineering, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, 2022 B.S., Materials Science and Engineering, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, 2023

## **Positions Held**

Engineering Systems Inc., Dallas, Texas Staff Consultant, 2023 – Present

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