

Andrew Cohen - Electrical Engineer

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EDUCATION

Tufts University, Electrical Engineering <i>summa cum laude</i>	Class of 2025
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1590 SAT, 3.9 GPA• National Merit Scholar, Tufts Summer Scholar, Minor in Music Engineering	

EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant, Tufts University	Medford MA, 9/23–12/24
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Built coursework in circuit design, debugging practices, digital logic, and VHDL• Directed lab sections, held office hours, and graded assignments for class of 50+ students	
Intern, RTX BBN Technologies	Cambridge MA, 5/24–8/24
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Developed sFPDP transceiver SoM with Altera FPGA processor in both C and VHDL• Procured, installed, and automated instrumentation of tabletop optics• Performed noise analysis of optical and RF systems in laser heterodyning experiment	
Researcher, Mohanty Nanophotonics Lab	Medford MA, 3/22–8/23
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Managed \$5000 grant for photonics research with biomedical applications• Performed PyMeep waveguide simulations to characterize beam steering in neural probes• Validated silicon chips on optical test bench with power, signal integrity measurements• Showcased work as panelist at Summer Scholar's conference and in Optics Express paper	
Barista, Caffé Nero	Concord MA, 4/21–8/21
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ran the coffee bar and learned valuable foam management skills	
Analog Design Intern, Analog Circuit Works	Sudbury MA, 5/19–8/20
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wrote scripts to parse/automate Verilog and Verilog-A code generation• Established foundational circuitry skills: soldering, PCB design, debugging	

EXTRACURRICULAR

IEEE and IEEE-Eta Kappa Nu	Medford, MA, 2022–2025
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Senior Class Representative and Music Engineering Chair• Provided pre-professional workshops, speakers, and other resources to Tufts' student engineers	
Drumming	10+ years
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• BEATs Street Drumming Group: performed original compositions on buckets, used plastics, etc.• Independent rock/jazz drummer at campus and community events	

PROJECTS

Machine Vision on Budget FPGA	May 2025
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Low-power image classification with cheap chip and camera for educational purposes	
Optical Waveguide Superposition Controller	April 2025
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Published Optics Express paper on novel theory for nanoscale optical beam steering	
Audiovisual MIDI Air Hockey	Dec 2024
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Custom-built MIDI controller with sensors, LEDs, and Bluetooth for mixed media fun	
Smack Buds: A VHDL Fighting Game	Dec 2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Retro-style fighting game on Upduino FPGA written entirely in VHDL	

SKILLS: Extensive coding experience (C, C++, Java, Python, MATLAB); FPGAs; PCBs; Optics and photonics; Semiconductor physics; Embedded systems; Communication protocols (SPI, I2C, UART); Signal processing; Music engineering; Machine learning; Technical writing and communication; Spanish