

# Paul Lea

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## EXPERIENCE

### QUANTUM COMPUTING RESEARCH | RESEARCHER

June 2024 – Current | RPI, Troy NY

- Researched novel approaches to increase relaxation times of IBM Eagle R3 Quantum Processing Units
- Learned Qiskit Pulse control language for QPUs and used a containerized python kernel to execute experiments.

### RESEARCH PAPER TRANSLATION | TRANSLATOR

June 2024 - September 2024|

- Used AI tools to translate research papers from Chinese to English
- Leveraged a combination of physics knowledge, computer literacy and AI tools to efficiently translate research papers.

### HIGH PERFORMANCE COMPUTING PHYSICS BOOTCAMP

| ATTENDEE

Summer 2023 | Remote

- Utilized remote computing resources at the Pittsburgh Supercomputing Center to computationally solve statistical physics problems.
- Became familiar with Git, Python and Fortran.
- Learned from a variety of field experts on current cutting-edge research in computational physics and statistical mechanics.

### TREASURER CHI PHI, RSEI | TREASURER

November 2023 – December 2024 | RPI, Troy NY

- Managed over \$ 400,000 yearly over 2 organizations.
- Negotiated supply contracts with local and regional vendors to decrease operational expenditures.
- Worked with over 20 different officers to develop efficient and effective budgets.
- Automated cataloging of transactions and collection of receipts.

## PROJECTS

### PHYSICS NOTES | ACCESSIBLE ONLINE PHYSICS LEARNING RESOURCE

Fall 2023 - Current | Troy, NY, London, UK

- Currently working to publish a repository of physics resources and notes online, closely mirroring the RPI Physics/Applied Physics curriculum.
- Developed with Quartz, Github Pages and Obsidian

### RENSELEAR MOTORSPORTS | HIGH-PERFORMANCE COMPOSITE SURFACES

Fall 2022 – Spring 2023| RPI, Troy NY

- Researched and worked with members of Rensselaer Motorsports FSAE team to develop advanced composite materials for use on aerodynamic surfaces of the 2023-2024 season racecar.
- Collaborated with the MANE (Mechanical, Aerospace, Nuclear and Electrical) engineering department to utilize high-speed wind tunnels to validate composite and aerodynamic properties predicted in research.

## EDUCATION

### RENSELEAR POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE

BACHELORS OF SCIENCE IN APPLIED PHYSICS AND ECONOMICS

Expected May 2025 | Troy, NY

Dean's List Spring 2024, Summer 2024, Fall 2024

Cumulative GPA: 3.59 / 4.0

## SKILLS

### PROGRAMMING

2 years:

Python • HTML • Bash

1 year:

Fortran • Matlab • Mathematica • Qiskit Pulse

### TECHNOLOGY

Linux • Windows • Docker

Nextcloud • Github/Git • Quicken

### MATHEMATICS AND PHYSICS

Computational Physics, Physics

Education, Group Theory, Latex

## COURSEWORK

### UNDERGRADUATE

Group Theory for Physicists

Statistical Mechanics

Quantum Physics

Electromagnetic Theory

Econometrics

Introductory Modern Physics

(Mentor)

## SOCIETIES

Rensselaer Society of Engineering Innovation (RSEi)

Chi Phi Fraternity

Diversity Equity and Inclusion Physics Taskforce

## LINKS

Website://[paulsphysicsnotes.org](http://paulsphysicsnotes.org)

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