Objective:

To obtain a full time position involving applied math.

Education:

Bachelor of Science, Mathematics, February 2008

Minor: Applied Biology

Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology, Terre Haute, IN

3.92/4.00 Current GPA

DeKalb Eastern High School, Butler, IN, May 2004

Valedictorian, Honor Society President, Lilly Endowment Scholar

3.99/4.00 GPA

Skills & Qualifications:

- ♦ Skilled in Maple, MATLAB, Solid Edge, Java, and LaTeX
- ♦ Skilled in public speaking and technical report writing
- ♦ Familiar with image processing techniques and wavelets
- ♦ Courses in biophysics, bioelectric signals, basic circuit analysis, image processing, and computer science.

Work Experience:

Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology, Terre Haute, IN

8/07-present

Cancer Therapy Research

- ♦ Investigating femtosecond laser heating of nanoparticles
- ♦ Modeling nano-cluster optics with Mie theory
- ♦ Presenting work at Argonne National Lab in November 2007

City University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong, China

6/07-8/07

- Mathematical Biology Research Assistant
- Investigated models of emergent flocking behavior
 Developed MATLAB simulations of flocking behavior
- ♦ Compared simulations across various mathematical models

Texas A&M University, College Station, TX

6/06-8/06

Mathematics Research Assistant

- ♦ Obtained proofs for various wavelet-related properties
- ♦ Experimented with wavelet-based data multiplexing
- ♦ Presented results to the National Science Foundation

SPX Contech Die Cast Facility, Auburn, IN

6/05-8/05

Mechanical Engineering Intern

- ♦ Conducted experiments related to customer quality issues
- ♦ Managed Preventative Maintenance program for two months
- ♦ Presented project conclusions in a formal, professional setting

Publications:

Spears, *et al.* A Characterization of Refinable Rational Functions.

<u>American Journal of Undergraduate Research</u>, Vol. 5,
Issue 3: Cedar Falls, Iowa. December, 2006. pp. 11-20.