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Education

Stanford University, Stanford, CA

Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering with Prof. Mark Cutkosky (2015)

Thesis: "Applying Gecko Adhesives to the Real World."

M.S. in Mechanical Engineering, GPA: 4.07 (2011)

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

A.B. in Mechanical Engineering, Highest Honors, GPA: 3.83, Concentration GPA: 3.88/4

Secondary in Organismic and Evolutionary Biology, Biomechanics (2009)

Thesis: "Paradigm for Building Multi-functional Composite Structures with Embedded Actuation."

Positions Held

Hawkes Lab

07/17-present

University of California, Santa Barbara

Associate Professor, 2022-present

Assistant Professor, 07/17-06/2022

Collaborative Haptics And Robotics in Medicine Laboratory,

07/16-6/17

Stanford University, with Prof. Allison Okamura

Visiting Assistant Professor

-Soft growing robotics device; stroke rehab device

Collaborative Haptics And Robotics in Medicine Laboratory,

07/15-7/16

Stanford University, with Prof. Allison Okamura

Postdoctoral Scholar

-Pneumatic artificial muscle capable of 400% strain, robotic devices capable of growth.

Biomimetic and Dextrous Manipulation Laboratory,

12/09-06/15

Stanford University, with Prof. Mark Cutkosky

PhD Candidate

-Performance of gecko-inspired adhesives: ankle mechanism for robotic climbing, surface grasping mechanism for perching, soft mechanism for *grasping without squeezing*, world's

smallest climbing robot capable of hoisting 100x bodyweight, human climbing on vertical surfaces with dry adhesive.

Romotive, Inc. 1/12-3/13

Design Consultant

-iPhone mobile robot; DFM injection molding and line assembly, 10,000 cycles minimum life, robust to 2m drop test, positive user experience.

Square One Robotics 7/12

Design Consultant

-Design of robotic gripper for grasping rock with microspines.

Harvard Microrobotics Laboratory, 8/07-8/09

Harvard University, with Prof. Robert Wood

Undergraduate Research Assistant

-Smart composite material with embedded actuation, self-folding origami, milli-scale robotic swimmer, shape memory alloy artificial muscles.

Multi-scale Robotics Laboratory, 6/08-8/08

Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, with Prof. Bradley Nelson

Herschel Smith Fellow

-Capsule-sized endoscopic microrobots, introduced Smart Composite Microstructure manufacturing at Institute of Robotics and Intelligent Systems.

Quad Bikes, Non-Profit Community Bicycle Shop, Cambridge, MA 9/06-8/09

Mechanic

-Repaired, refurbished, and built bikes at a local shop, 10-12 hr/wk.

National High Magnetic Field Laboratory, 6/07-8/07

Florida State University, with Prof. Irinel Chiorescu

National Science Foundation Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU)

-Interlocking sample holder for quantum chip experiments at 4mK and 10 Tesla.

Harvard Skeletal Biology Laboratory, 1/06-5/06

Harvard University, with Prof. Daniel Lieberman

Undergraduate Research Assistant

-Studied gluteus maximus function in trunk stabilization with EMG, force sensors, rate gyros.

Awards and Honors

- Presidential Early Career Award in Science and Engineering (PECASE) 2025, President Biden
- Mechanical Engineering Outstanding Faculty Award 2022-23
- Article selected for cover highlight, *Nature* 2022
- IEEE RAS Early Academic Career Award in Robotics and Automation 2021
- Northrop Grumman Excellence in Teaching Award 2020-2021
- IEEE IROS Best Paper Award Finalist 2021
- Article selected for cover of *Science Robotics* 2021
- IEEE RAM Best Paper Award 2020
- NASA Early Career Faculty Award 2020
- Packard Foundation Fellowship 2020
- NSF Faculty Early Career Development Program (CAREER) Award 2020
- IEEE Transactions on Robotics Best Paper Award for 2018
- Best Paper Award Finalist, Journal of Experimental Biology 2019
- Most Read Research Papers of the Year, J. Experimental Biology (awarded to 3 papers) 2019
- Mechanical Engineering Outstanding Faculty Award 2018-19
- AAAS Top Ten Robotics Technologies of the Year for 2018
- Top 100 Technologies of the Year, Discover Magazine, 2018
- Article selected for cover of *Science Robotics* 2017
- Best Student Paper Award, IEEE ICRA 2015
- ASME Best Journal Paper Award in Bioinspired Systems and Materials 2015
- JRSI article Ranked by Altmetrics #1 of 952 articles from JRSI, top 5% of all time
- Best Paper Award IEEE, IROS 2015
- Invited to exhibit work at TED2015
- Best Student Paper Award Finalist, IEEE ICRA 2014
- National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Program, 2012-2014
- National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate fellowship, 2009-2012
- Highest Honors, Harvard School of Engineering and Applied Sciences, 2009
- Phi Beta Kappa, 2009
- Rhodes Scholarship Finalist, 2008

Publications

Articles in Archival Journals

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8. Zhu, M., Biswas, S., Dinulescu, S.I., Kastor, N., **Hawkes, E.W.** and Visell, Y., 2022. Soft, Wearable Robotics and Haptics: Technologies, Trends, and Emerging Applications. *Proceedings of the IEEE*, *110*(2), pp.246-272.
9. **Hawkes, E.W.**, Xiao, C., Peloquin, R.A., Keeley, C., Begley, M.R., Pope, M.T. and Niemeyer, G., 2022. Engineered jumpers overcome biological limits via work multiplication. *Nature*, *604*(7907), pp.657-661.
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11. Blumenschein, L.H., Koehler, M., Usevitch, N.S., **Hawkes, E.W.**, Rucker, D.C. and Okamura, A.M., 2021. Geometric solutions for general actuator routing on inflated-beam soft growing robots. *IEEE Transactions on Robotics*, *38*(3), pp.1820-1840.
12. **Hawkes, E.W.**, Majidi, C. and Tolley, M.T. (2021). Hard questions for soft robotics. *Science Robotics*, *6*(53).
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Theses

- Stanford University, Department of Mechanical Engineering: PhD Thesis: "Applying Dry Adhesives to the Real World," 2015.
- Harvard University, School of Engineering and Applied Sciences: Mechanical Engineering Highest Honors Undergraduate Thesis: "Paradigm for Building Multi-functional Composite Structures with Embedded Actuation," 2009.

Patents

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Grants

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- The David and Lucile Packard Foundation, Packard Fellows: *Artificial Tip-growth as a New Paradigm for Minimally Invasive Patient Care*, \$875k 11/1/20-10/31/2025
- NASA Early Career Faculty Award, Space Technology Research Grants: *Highly Mobile, Self-Anchoring Robots for Coordinated, High-Force Environmental Interaction*, \$600k 10/1/2020-9/30/2023. PI
- NSF Faculty Early Career Development Program (CAREER) Award: *Physical Principles and Applications of Plant-Inspired Tip Growth for Robotics*, \$600k 10/1/2020-9/30/2025. PI.
- NSF Emerging Frontiers Research Initiative: C3 SoRo: *Overcoming Challenges in Control of*

Continuum Soft Robots through Data-driven Dynamic Decomposition and Light-modulated Materials, \$2m (among 5 PIs at UCSB), 10/1/19-9/30/24. Lead PI.

- NSF NRI: INT: COLLAB: *Mesh Of Robots on a Pneumatic Highway (MORPH): An Untethered, Human-Safe, Shape-Morphing Robotic Platform*, \$1.5m (\$450k PI share), 10/1/19 – 9/30/23. PI.
- NIH RO1: *VINE Catheter: Soft, Tip-extending, Robotic Catheters with Shape Control for Endovascular Surgery*, \$1,427,259 direct, \$2,147,984 estimated total (\$450,000 PI share) 9/30/2022-9/29/2026. co-I.
- DoD CDMRP: “A Biomimetic Tip-Growing, Self-Deploying Intubation Device for Safer, More Effective Airway Management in Austere, Far-Forward Environments,” \$3,165,055 (\$727,308 PI share) 9/15/2022-9/14/2026. Lead PI.
- Lockheed Martin: *Inspection with Vine Robots*, \$100k, 1/1/19-2/31/20. Lead PI.
- NSF NRI: *Vine Robots: Achieving Locomotion and Construction by Growth*, \$300k, via Stanford University, 07/01/2017-7/31/2020
- Honda Research: *Novel Variable Transmission Technology via Stanford University*, \$150k, 11/1/2017-12/31/2020
- NSF Collaborative Research: *Root Dynamics and Control in Heterogeneous Soft Substrates*, \$25k, 08/01/2019-07/31/2022

Teaching

- ME 153: Mechanical Design (required undergrad course). Complete re-design of course.
Perfect Student Evaluations from 2019: Course- 1.0, Instructor- 1.0
(scale from 1.0-Best to 5.0-Worst), 79 student respondents
- ME 225EH: Soft Robotics (Graduate). Built course from scratch. 1.1, 1.0 in from 2017 to 2019.
- ME 125EH: Soft Robotics (Undergraduate). Developed undergraduate version of above course to respond to demand. Course fills before regular enrollment opens.

Outreach

- Developed UCSB CSEP School of Scientific Thought Summer 5-week course for underrepresented high-school students in Santa Barbara County.
- With Santa Barbara’s Museum of Exploration and Innovation, created exhibit to teach visitors how to build one of the root-inspired robots. Led multiple outreach events at the museum.
- Developed a bridge course for entering underrepresented freshman to expose them to research before beginning their Fall quarter. Grad student taught four 5-hour classes.
- Directed various lab tours, in which students come to visit the lab and explore the technology, as well as visits to schools, in which the technology is brought to the school.
- Shared course content for undergraduate/graduate Soft Robotics class with educators within California, in Indiana, and in New York (course based on research from lab).
- Shared course content for undergraduate Mechanical Design course with educators in South Korea (content based on jumping robot research).
- Science education video with “Veritasium” YouTube channel on world record jumping robots. Viewed over **11 million times**.
- Science education video with “Veritasium” YouTube channel on vine-inspired robots. Viewed over **32 million times**.

Presentations

- “Hard Questions for Soft Robotics,” IEEE Robosoft Conference, Keynote Talk, Virtual, 2021
- “Designing Non-linearity for Soft Robotics.” IEEE Robosoft Conference, Invited Workshop Speaker, 2021
- “Design of Soft Robots,” University of Bristol, Seminar, Bristol, United Kingdom, 2021
- “Medical Applications of Vine Robots,” IEEE AIM Conference, Invited Speaker, Boston, MA 2020
- “Vine Robots for Intubation,” Amazon MARS Conference, Invited Speaker, Ojai, CA, 2020 *postponed*
- “The Second Decade of Soft Robotics,” Gordon Research Conference, Ventura, CA. 2020
- “Soft Robotics and Science Robotics,” Invited talk to the editors of Science Robotics, Ventura, CA. 2020
- “Bio-inspired Robotics and Geotechnics,” Keynote Talk at the Bioinspired Geotechnics Workshop, Monterey, CA. 2019.
- “Bringing Soft to Robotics,” University of Minnesota. 2019
- “Soft Robotics,” Southern California Robotics Symposium. 2019
- “Bringing Soft Robotics to Surgery,” University of Washington, Seattle. 2018
- “Soft Robotics for Urology,” Museum of Natural History/ Santa Barbara, CA. 2018
- “Soft Robotics for Education,” MRL Teacher Workshop, UCSB. 2018
- “Vine-Inspired Soft Robotics,” 3rd Aslla Symposium/Seoul, South Korea
- “Tip-extending Robots for Medical Applications,” Medical Robotics Workshop, 2017 IEEE Int’l. Conf. Robotics and Automation.
- “Material Challenges for Soft Robotics,” Materials Research Lab IRG Meeting, UCSB, 2017.
- “Soft Robotics,” SCU Physics Colloquium 2016, Santa Clara University
- “Mechanics, Design, and Materials for Soft Robotics,” BiD Seminar 2016, UC Berkeley
- “Gecko Adhesion,” Exhibited work by invitation at TED2015, Vancouver, CA
- “Grasping without Squeezing,” ICRA 2015, Seattle, WA *Best Student Paper Award*
- “Climbing with 100x Body Weights,” ICRA 2015, Seattle, WA
- “Human Climbing with Gecko Adhesives,” ThinkTech Hawaii, 2014
- “Rock Climbing with Spines,” ARAVIS AG Venture Capital 2014, Stanford, CA
- “Dynamic Surface Grasping,” IROS 2013, Tokyo, Japan
- “Scaling Walls,” IROS 2011, San Francisco, CA
- “Adaptable,” EXPE 2010, Stanford, CA
- “Telepresentation,” SAP Headquarters 2009, Berlin, Germany
- “Microrobotic Swimmers,” Rhodes Scholar Presentation 2008, Birmingham, AL
- “Sample Holder for Quantum Chip Experiments,” REU Presentations 2007, Tallahassee, FL

Press for Research

Growing Robot

- Wall Street Journal: New Robot Mimics Vines
- San Francisco Chronicle: New Robot Grows like Vine to Reach Tight Places
- CBC News: Scientists Have Created a Robotic Tendril that Extends like a Vine
- Popular Science: Plant-inspired Robot Grows to Reach Difficult Places
- New Scientist: Bioinspired Robot Can Sneak Around Corners and Turn on Taps
- Discover Magazine: Top 100 of 2017- Tubular Technology
- Youtube, Veritasium Channel: "This plant-inspired robot could save your life."
Over 29 million views.

Jumping Robot

- Scientific American: Record-Breaking Jumping Robot Can Leap a 10-Story Building
- Newsweek: New Jumping Device Could Help Humans Spring Across Other Planets
- Inverse: Watch this robot jump the height of a ten-story building
- IEEE Spectrum: UCSB and Disney Find Out How High a Robot Can Possibly Jump
- Scientific American: Record-Breaking Jumping Robot Can Leap a 10-Story Building
- YouTube, Veritasium Channel: "World's Highest Jumping Robot." Over 7 million views, 4th in trending at release.

Perching MAV

- New York Times: *What You Get When You Blend a Drone and a Gecko*

Microrobots

- NBC News: *Tiny Gecko-Inspired Robots Carry Loads Over 100 Times Their Weight*
- Huffington Post: *Tiny Robots Use Gecko Power To Carry Heavy Weights*
- CNN Money: *These tiny robots have superhuman strength*
- Forbes: *These Micro Robots Can Haul 2,000 Times Their Weight*

Human Climbing Project

- Science Magazine News: *Gecko inspired adhesives allow people to climb walls*
- The Guardian: *Geckos inspire scientists in US military-developed SpiderMan project*
- Cell: *Building a Superhero*
- Newsweek: *Gecko gloves let scientist climb sheer glass walls*
- Popular Mechanics: *Scientists have created gecko-inspired spider man gloves*
- Stanford News: *Stanford engineers climb walls using gecko-inspired climbing device*
- Huffington Post: *Scientists Figure Out How To Scale Walls Like Spider-Man*
- Washington Post: *Inspired by geckos (and possibly 'Mission Impossible'), researchers unveil adhesives that allow humans to scale walls*
- BBC News: *Geckos inspire 'Spider-Man' gloves*
- Fox News: *Gecko-inspired adhesive enables people to scale buildings*

- MIT TechReview: *An Artificial Adhesive Outgrips the Gecko*
- Boston Globe: *A new invention that helps you climb like a gecko*
- San Jose Mercury News: (Front page in print) *Stanford 'lizard brains' create gecko-like paws that allow humans to scale glass walls*
- New York Times: *Climbing a Glass Building? Try a Gecko's Sticky Pads*

Personal

- Category 1 competitive cyclist with multiple podiums at National Championships
- Enjoy guitar, bonsai, yoga, hiking, and building gifts for loved ones