

16.885J/ESD.35J Student Bios – Fall 2003

B-52 Team

Garrett Barter (Courtesy of Garrett Barter.)

I am currently starting my second year of graduate school at MIT. Since I was here as an undergrad and am continuing on through my PhD, I am only in the middle of a long tenure here. I am originally from Denver, CO; a city I am so fond of I would love to move back eventually. Being from the West, I am a sucker for cowboy hats and bluegrass music. I am a big fan of the outdoors and do a lot of sports related activities. In the future I would love to stay in academia, teaching and doing research. Hopefully by then I will have found some excuse for leaving MIT.

Kristin Jonker (Courtesy of Kristin Jonker.)

My name is Kristin Jonker. I am from Grand Rapids, MI. I went to MIT as an undergraduate, but I loved it so much I decided to stay. Now I am a first year graduate student in the ACDL. My research interests include air-breathing propulsion and environmental impact. I like the Boston Red Sox, the Detroit Red Wings, and sewing.

Arthur Poon (Courtesy of Arthur Poon.)

I'm a new graduate student at Aero/Astro, and my home is in sunny Singapore. I completed my undergraduate degree in Aerospace and Aerothermal Engineering at Cambridge UK, where I did parametric studies on delta wings. I was also previously attached to the Aerodynamics wing of the Defence Science Organisation (DSO), a government research agency in Singapore. It was great fun to be part of the flight testing team then, which was located at the Republic's AirForce base.

David Tan (Courtesy of David Tan.)

My name is David Tan and I'm an international student from Singapore. I did my undergrad at the University of Michigan. I am currently working on getting a masters here at MIT and I have yet to determine my area of research. My interests include travelling, eating and all kinds of music.

Kathryn Weiss (Courtesy of Katie Weiss.)

My name is Kathryn Weiss and I am a graduate student under Professor Nancy Leveson in the Software Engineering Research Lab in Aero/Astro at MIT. I did my undergrad at Marquette University in Milwaukee, WI in Computer Engineering and Mathematics. I finished my Master's degree this summer and my thesis title was "Component-Based Systems Engineering for Autonomous Spacecraft." I'm starting my Ph.D. studies this fall and am interested in systems engineering and spacecraft.