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Licenses & Certifications

- State of Michigan P.E. License No. 6201055794
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Positions Held

Engineering Systems Inc., Ann Arbor, Michigan

- Senior Consultant, 2016 - Present
- Senior Staff Consultant, 2010 - 2015

Packer Engineering, Inc., Ann Arbor, Michigan

- Senior Staff Engineer, Biomechanics, 2004 - 2010

Publications

Aboveground Swimming Pool Child Access Prevention Through Product Design

D.B. Brickman, J.P. Mohorovic, K.B. Zakutansky, A.C. Mathias, and **P.A. Shibata**. Proceedings of the XXXVIth Annual International Occupational Ergonomics and Safety Conference, Denver, CO / Hybrid, August 5-6, 2024.

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Education

M.S.E., Biomedical Engineering.
University of Michigan. 2004

M.S.E., Mechanical Engineering.
University of Michigan. 2003

B.S., Mechanical Engineering.
University of Pittsburgh. 2001

Areas of Specialization

Accident Reconstruction

Amusement Rides and Devices

Analysis of Human Motion

Consumer Products

Human Factors

Human Injury Tolerance

Human Surrogate Testing

Injury Analysis

Slips, Trips, and Falls

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Enhancing Contrast-Sensitivity Charts for Validating Visual Representations of Low-Illumination Scenes

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A Kinematic Analysis of Effects of Age on Standing Turn Execution in Healthy Females

P.A. Meinhart, J.A. Ashton-Miller, C. Persad. Proceedings of the 27th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Biomechanics (Toledo, OH 2003).

Presentations

Human Factors in Claims/Litigation

Technical Presentation for Toledo Claims Association, Toledo, Ohio, **Co-Lecturer** with Jack L. Auflick, Ph.D., January 10, 2013.

Biomechanics: Understanding Its Use in Claims and Litigation

Continuing Education Technical Presentation for attorneys and insurance professionals, ESI-Ann Arbor, Michigan Open House Event, **Co-Lecturer** with Erick H. Knox, Ph.D., P.E., May 17, 2012.

Continuing Education

- **Certified Ergonomics Assessment Specialist** - The Back School, Atlanta, GA, 2023
- **Using Warnings and Instructions to Increase Safety and Reduce Liability** - University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2023
- **Traffic Signal Timing Records Interpretation and Analysis** - Traffic Signal Academy, University of Tennessee, 2020
- **Safety Belt Examinations** - Institute of Police Technology Management, University of North Florida, Jacksonville, FL 2020
- **Human Factors in Traffic Crash Reconstruction** - Institute of Police Technology Management, University of North Florida, Fort Myers, FL, 2017
- **Driver Distraction from Electronic Devices: Insights and Implications** - SAE International, 2017
- **Understanding Bloodstain Pattern Analysis** - Bevel, Gardner & Associates, Ann Arbor, MI, 2017
- **Traffic Crash Reconstruction I** - Northwestern University Center for Public Safety, 2015
- **The University of Michigan Center for Occupational Health & Safety Engineering** - Using the 3D Static Strength Prediction Program, 2013
- **SAE Tire and Wheel Safety Issues**, 2011
- **ASME International 20-Hour Course - Project Management for Engineers**, 2007
- **Engineering Dynamics Corporation 20-Hour HVE Forum Workshop**, 2006
- **Industrial Fork Truck Operator Safety Training**, 2006
- **Engineering Dynamics Corporation HVE Introductory Training**, 2005
- **Traffic Accident Reconstruction II** - Northwestern University Center for Public Safety, 2005
- **SAE Vehicle Accident Reconstruction Methods**, 2004
- **OSHA 10-Hour General Industry Safety Standards**, 2004

Professional Affiliations/Honors

American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM)

- Voting Member
- Committee F24 on Amusement Rides and Devices
- Subcommittee F24.10 - Test Methods and Component Parts
- Subcommittee F24.24 - Design, Manufacture, Installation and Commissioning
- Subcommittee F24.70 - Water Related Amusement Rides and Devices

International Society for Occupational Ergonomics & Safety (ISOES)

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