## Carolina Silva Plata



## **EDUCATION**

#### **ENGINEERING**

## Universidad de Chile - Santiago, Chile

2020 - Present Ph.D. student in Mechanical Engineering, 2019 - 2021 Soft Robotics Research 2019 - 2021

## Massachusetts Institute of Technology - Cambridge, United States

2019 Certificate in the MIT Bootcamp Deep Technology

Innovation Program

### Universidad Católica del Norte - Antofagasta, Chile

2017 - 2019 Master's in Informatics (with highest distinction)
 2018 - 2019 Research and thesis development in the field of Soft Robotics at the Universidad de Chile, (Santiago,

## Universidad Católica Boliviana - La Paz, Bolivia

2014 Higher Education Diploma

Chile)

2009 - 2013 Bachelor's in Mechatronics Engineering

# Birthday:

**INFORMATION** 

October 5, 1991

Nacionality Bolivian

## Residence in Chile

Permanent Visa

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### ILLUSTRATION

## ESDESIGN, Universidad Internacional de Valencia, Spain

2022 - 2023 Master's in Illustration and Animation

### Crehana

2020 Digital Illustration Specialization Diploma

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

## Soft Robotics Research - Universidad de O'Higgins

September 2023 - Present

Research Assistant in the Fondecyt research project "A Sensorization Toolbox for the Realization of Soft Physical Twins: Applications to Phantoms of Human Organs"

#### Lecturer - Universidad de Chile

March 2023 - Present

Course: Mechatronics, Undergraduate program in Mechanical Engineering.

# Design and manufacturing of the nasal cannula for the Open HFNC project - Universidad de Chile

2020 Research and development of an alternative

device to support the rehabilitation of individuals

affected by COVID-19

## **SKILLS**

## Programming Languages:

Python C++

Software SolidWorks Autodesk Inventor **Fusion** 

Graphic Design Adobe Ecosystem Final Cut Pro

## MEMBERSHIPS IN **ORGANIZATIONS**

## Founding Partner of "NiñasPro" Organization

2018 - Present

Mentor in computer science, electronics, and educational robotics for girls in Chile. - Current member of the board -

## Teacher and Designer in "Niñas Pro" Organization

2019 - Present

Lead teacher in the Arduino Quest at Niñas Pro

organization.

Graphic material designer at Niñas Pro. - Organizer, instructor and designer -

## Member of the organizing team "Beauchef Robotics Challenge"

2022 - Present

University robotics competition organized by the

Universidad de Chile.

- Current member of the organizing team -

## Founding Partner of "Cuac" Corporation

2020 - Present

Dedicated to democratizing robotics and educational technologyto in Chile. - Current member of the board -

## Founder of "Connected"

2014 - 2016

Focused on teaching robotics and educational electronics with LEGO MINDSTORMS and Arduino board to children in Bolivia. - Founder, Organizer, and Instructor -

## **DIGITAL MEDIA** AND OUTREACH

### Communications Coordinator - FabLab Universidad de Chile

August 2022 - August 2023

Designer of audiovisual material and workshop

leader for Arduino.

Creation of graphic and audiovisual material and event management for Beauchef Robotics Challenge (BRC) 2022 and other events.

## Illustrator and Graphic Designer

Product illustrator at "La Mapache Azul". 2020 - Present

## Technology Outreach at "Adablu" YouTube Channel

2020 - Present

Content Creator of infographics and technology outreach videos on a personal YouTube channel. - Responsible for end-to-end video production -

## Illustrative Design in "Electrónica Así" and "Informática Así"

2015 - Present

Creator of illustrative content in electronics and educational and comical computer science for teaching purposes. Independent initiatives.

## EVENT ORGANIZATION

### **BEAUCHEF ROBOTICS CHALLENGE (BRC)**

### In-person Format

Member of the organizing team November 2023 (4th version)

Responsibilities: Team registrations, visual identity graphic design, website design and administration, and user experiences.

November 2022 (3rd version)

Responsibilities: Team registrations, event promotion, visual identity graphic design, website and social media design and administration, audiovisual documentation, and user experiences.

## NIÑAS PRO - ARDUINO QUEST

## Virtual Format

Current member of the board July (202, 2021, 2023)

Responsabilities: Lead Instructor, developed educative material, created asynchronous class videos, taught practical classes, designed challenges and projects, reviewed student projects, and organized mentoring sessions on student schedules with mentors. (Platform: Classroom, Google Meet and Tinkercad)

# FabLab U de Chile - ARDUINO DAY In-person Format

March 2023

Responsabilities: Main organizer, logistic coordination, program and activities coordination, visual identity graphic design, event and post-event supervision.

## COMPETITIONS

- 2019 Third place in the VIII Student Competition of Chile-WiC (Women in Computing) with the Scientific Project on Soft Gripper.
  - Student Scientific Research Competition -
- Latin America Representative at the Minesweeper competition in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
  First place in Minesweeper Continental, Latin America.
  Lead Circuit and Code Developer -
- 2012 Participation in the Robotics Olympics. Second place in the LEGO Mindstorms robot soccer category, Bolivia.
  Lead Mechanical Design Engineer -

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- 2016 Author and designer of the book "Connect Your Creativity with Arduino" (self-publication)
- 2025 "Model-Based Capacitive Touch Sensing in Soft Robotics: Achieving Robust Tactile Interactions for Artistic Applications"

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