

## Alumnus earns 'Early Career' award

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Michael Bluy, a 2012 graduate of [Alfred University](#) with a degree in [mechanical engineering](#), is the winner of an Early Career Engineering Award from GE Aviation. The award “recognizes someone in their early career at GE Aviation who has made a significant contribution to the organization.”

Bluy is a project engineer for [Unison Industries](#) in Norwich, NY, a wholly owned subsidiary of GE Aviation. Unison Industries in Norwich focuses on power generation, switches and sensors.

As a project engineer, Bluy leads component-level projects through the design phase; his award is based on the work he did to achieve customer satisfaction “by delivering critical milestones, working through several risks and scope changes during the program,” he said.

His AU education served him well. “Alfred University prepared me to deal with real-world engineering problems and to pay attention to critical details in my everyday tasks,” exactly the skills that resulted in his award. “Attention to detail is key in aerospace,” he noted.

Bluy said he chose Alfred University for the quality of its mechanical engineering programs.

The fact that an AU graduate with only two years& work experience could win such an award from General Electric affirms the quality of an Alfred University education, said [Doreen Edwards](#), dean of the [Kazuo Inamori School of Engineering](#) at Alfred University, and a professor of materials science. “Michael&s award has confirmed what I&ve known for some time. Alfred University has a top-notch mechanical engineering program that produces engineers who are valued by industry,” Edwards noted.

Bluy completed an internship at Unison Industries during the summer of 2011, and joined the company full-time after graduating from AU in 2012.

The mechanical engineering program is one of six majors offered through the Inamori School of Engineering at Alfred University. The others are biomaterials engineering science, ceramic engineering, glass science engineering, materials science and renewable energy engineering.