



## **MIE498H1: Research Thesis 2025-2026**

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| <b>Number of Positions</b> | 1   |
| <b>Open to</b>             | Mechanical and Industrial Engineering Students                  |
| <b>Term Offered</b>        | Full-year   |
| <b>Research Area</b>       | Mechanics & Design<br>Biomedical instrumentation for cardiology |
| <b>Research Topic</b>      | Photothermal-based Cardiology Catheter Imaging<br>Project-1     |

### **Project Description**

This project will focus on investigating and optimizing signals for cardiology catheter imaging using laser photothermal techniques. The CADIPT lab is at the forefront of this research, aiming to enhance the accuracy and reliability of imaging methods used in cardiology for quasi-invasive inspection of vulnerable plaques that may cause stroke and heart attack. By leveraging photothermal effects, students can explore innovative ways to improve the detection and diagnosis of cardiovascular disease. This project offers a unique opportunity to gain experience with advanced imaging technologies and contribute to the development of more effective medical tools.

### **Additional Information**

Application: Automated Miniaturized 3D Scanning  
Stage: Designing an automated miniaturized 3D scanning stage for a photothermal imaging system is a challenging yet rewarding project. This involves creating a compact and precise scanning mechanism that can be integrated into existing imaging systems. The goal is to achieve high-resolution imaging with minimal manual intervention, thereby increasing efficiency and accuracy. Students will apply their hands-on experience in mechanical design, automation, and system integration, making this project ideal for those interested in robotics and imaging technologies.

### **Application Instructions**

Submit unofficial transcript to Professor Andreas Mandelis (mandelis@mie.utoronto.ca)