ORGANIC RANKINE CYCLE TEST STAND
Oklahoma State University

OUR STORY
The ORC project allowed us the opportunity to learn about the Rankine cycle operation first hand. We learned how to design and use our hands to build and test an operational project. Working on this project lead me to stay on at OSU and pursue a masters in HVACR.

OUR PROJECT
Our project was to design and build an Organic Rankine Cycle test stand. The stand used R-134a and steam to produce power using a scroll expander. The stand would allow thermodynamics students the opportunity to see firsthand how the Rankine Cycle operates and allow them to use and analyze real data.

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FUNDING
ASHRAE Grant $4300
Local Funding $800

PARTNERSHIPS
Donation of compressor
Chapter SA mentorship
Etc

DURATION
4 months to design, build, and test

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