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A. Educational Background

- 5/2012 Doctor of Philosophy, Civil Engineering and Engineering Mechanics,
Columbia University, “A New Methodology to Estimate the Reliability and
Safety of Suspension Bridge Cables” under Haim Waisman
- 10/2010 Master of Philosophy, Civil Engineering and Engineering Mechanics,
Columbia University
- 5/2008 Master of Science, Civil Engineering and Engineering Mechanics,
Columbia University
- 5/2007 Bachelor of Science, Civil Engineering and Physics, Dual Joint Program:
Columbia University and St. Lawrence University

B. Professional Employment History

- 8/2012-Present Assistant Professor, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering,
The University of Texas-San Antonio
- Computational Modeling in Civil Engineering Applications
 - Developing Novel Computational Tools for Solid Mechanics
 - Studying the Deterioration of Materials under Corrosive Environments
 - Teaching undergraduate and graduate courses in the Civil and Mechanical Engineering Departments
 - Advising and supervising undergraduate and graduate students
 - Serving on internal and external educational and research committees
- 5/2010-5/2012 Research Assistant, Department of Civil Engineering and Engineering
Mechanics, Columbia University
- Developed an analytical/computational approach for solving contact problems in large scale FEM models.
 - Developed a multi-scale finite element model for predicting the load that will drive a main suspension bridge cable to failure due to corrosion in its wires.
 - Contributed to the development of a corrosion monitoring system for suspension bridge cables on a project sponsored by the Federal

Highway Administration.

- 8/2007-5/2010 Teaching Assistant, Department of Civil Engineering and Engineering Mechanics, Columbia University
- Graduate and Undergraduate courses. Duties included conducting office hours, substitute recitations, holding problem-solving sessions, preparing class notes, elaborating homework assignments and solutions, grading, preparing laboratory procedures and teaching laboratory sessions.
- 5/2007-8/2007 Structural Engineer, Asociación de Consultores en Ingeniería, Tegucigalpa, Honduras
- Participated in the elaboration of a report for the Highway Department of Honduras that discussed the distress conditions in traffic pavement in Honduras based on field investigations.
- 6/2006-8/2006 Intern, Mueser Rutledge Consulting Engineers, New York, NY
- Office duties, subsurface investigation, foundation design, laboratory testing, and construction inspection.

C. Awards and Honors

- 7/2014 *Abe M. Zarem Educator Award* in Astronautics, American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics, recognizes the advisor of a graduate student who shows technical excellence in the contributions to the air and space communities.
- 4/2014 Armando Gomez-Farias (A. Montoya- advisor), Second Place, Graduate Technical Paper Division at the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics Region IV Student Paper Conference, Albuquerque, New Mexico
- 5/2012 *The Mindlin Scholar in Civil Engineering & Engineering Mechanics*, Department of Civil Engineering and Engineering Mechanics at Columbia University in recognition of outstanding promise of a creative career in research and/or practice
- 6/2011 Finalist, Best Student Paper in Computational Mechanics Competition, “A Simplified Contact-Friction Approach for Modeling the Deterioration Mechanism of Suspension Bridge Cables due to Corrosion in its Wires”, Engineering Mechanics Institute Conference- Boston
- 6/2011 Finalist Poster, Best Student Research Poster Competition, Engineering Mechanics Institute Conference- Boston, June 2011.
- 6/2010 Travel Student Award, to attend the 16th US National Congress of Theoretical and Applied Mechanics Conference, State College, PA
- 5/2007 *Henry L. Michel Award in Civil Engineering*, given by the Department of Civil Engineering and Engineering Mechanics at Columbia University for demonstration of outstanding promise of leadership and professional achievement in civil and construction engineering
- 5/2005 Outstanding Beginning Student Prize, awarded by the department of Modern Languages and Literature of St. Lawrence University for being the

4/2004 best student learning a new language (Italian)
The Priest Scholarship Award, awarded by the Dean's Office of St. Lawrence University to acknowledge the sophomore man with the highest academic record, Canton, NY

D. Research/Scholarly/Creative (Activities Summary)

Published Journal Articles

12. Roshani, H., P. Jagtap, S. Dessouky, **A. Montoya** and A.T. Papagiannakis. Theoretical and Experimental Evaluation of Two Roadway Piezoelectric-Base Harvesting Prototypes. *ASCE Journal of Materials in Civil Engineering*. 2017. Accepted on 6/20/2017. Assigned doi: [http://dx.doi.org/10.1061/\(ASCE\)MT.1943-5533.0002112](http://dx.doi.org/10.1061/(ASCE)MT.1943-5533.0002112).
11. Papagiannakis, A.T., **A. Montoya**, S. Dessouky, J. Helffrich. Development and Evaluation of Piezoelectric Prototypes for Roadway Energy Harvesting. *ASCE Journal of Energy Engineering*, 143(5), 2017.
[http://dx.doi.org/10.1061/\(ASCE\)EY.1943-7897.0000467](http://dx.doi.org/10.1061/(ASCE)EY.1943-7897.0000467)
10. Roshani, H., S. Dessouky, A. T. Papagiannakis, and **A. Montoya**. Experimental and Finite Element Assessment of Three Energy Harvesting Prototypes for Roadways. *Journal of Innovative Infrastructure Solutions*, 2(1):7, 2017.
<http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/s41062-017-0055-x>
9. **Montoya, A.** and H. Millwater. Sensitivity Analysis in Thermoelastic Problems Using the Complex Finite Element Method. *Journal of Thermal Stresses*. 40(3): 302-321, 2017.
<http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/01495739.2016.1264871>
8. Papagiannakis, A.T, S. Dessouky, **A. Montoya** and H. Roshani. Energy Harvesting for Roadways. *Procedia Computer Science*, 83:758-765, 2016.
<http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.procs.2016.04.164>
7. Roshani, H., S. Dessouky, **A. Montoya** and A.T. Papagiannakis. Energy Harvesting from Asphalt Pavement Roadways Vehicle-Induced Stresses: A Feasibility Study. *Applied Energy*, 182:210-218, 2016.
<http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.apenergy.2016.08.116>
6. Millwater, H., D. Wagner, A. Baines and **A. Montoya**. A Virtual Crack Extension Method to Compute Energy Release Rates Using a Complex Variable Finite Element Method. *Engineering Fracture Mechanics*, 162:95-111, 2016.
<http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.engfracmech.2016.04.002>
5. Gomez-Farias, A., **A. Montoya** and H. Millwater. Complex Finite Element Sensitivity Method for Creep Analysis. *International Journal of Pressure Vessels and Piping*, 132-133:27-42, 2015.
<http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.ijpvp.2015.05.006>

4. **Montoya, A.**, R. Fielder, A. Gomez-Farias and H. Millwater. Finite-Element Sensitivity for Plasticity Using Complex Variable Methods. *Journal of Engineering Mechanics*, 141(2):04014118, 2014.
[http://dx.doi.org/10.1061/\(ASCE\)EM.1943-7889.0000837](http://dx.doi.org/10.1061/(ASCE)EM.1943-7889.0000837)
3. **Montoya, A.**, G. Deodatis, R. Betti and H. Waisman. Physics-Based Stochastic Model to Determine the Failure Load of Suspension Bridge Cables. *Journal of Computing in Civil Engineering*, 29(4): B4014002, 2014.
[http://dx.doi.org/10.1061/\(ASCE\)CP.1943-5487.0000393](http://dx.doi.org/10.1061/(ASCE)CP.1943-5487.0000393)
2. **Montoya, A.**, H. Waisman and R. Betti. A Simplified Contact-Friction Methodology for Modeling Wire Breaks in Parallel Wire Strands. *Computers & Structures*, 100-101:39-53, 2012.
<http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.compstruc.2012.03.003>
1. Waisman, H, **A. Montoya**, R. Betti and I.C. Noyan. Load Transfer and Recovery Length in Parallel Wires of Suspension Bridge Cables. *Journal of Engineering Mechanics*, 137(4):227-237, 2011.
[http://dx.doi.org/10.1061/\(ASCE\)EM.1943-7889.0000220](http://dx.doi.org/10.1061/(ASCE)EM.1943-7889.0000220)

Published Conference Proceedings

5. Nguyen, K., R. Nasouri, C. Bennett, A. Matamoros, J. Li and **A. Montoya**. Sensitivity of Predicted Temperature in a Fillet Weld T-Joint to Parameters Used in Welding Simulation with Prescribed Temperature Approach. SIMULIA Conference *Science in the Age of Experience* 2017.
<https://www.3ds.com/fileadmin/PRODUCTS/SIMULIA/PDF/scc-papers/2017/temperature-fillet-weld-t-joint-univkansas-nguyen.pdf>
4. Roshani, H., S. Dessouky, A.T. Papagiannakis, **A. Montoya**, Feasibility Study on Harvesting Energy from Roadway Infrastructure. *ASCE Geo-Chicago 2016*, 588-597, 2016.
<http://dx.doi.org/10.1061/9780784480137.056>
3. Gomez-Farias, A. and **A. Montoya**. “A Novel Finite Element Sensitivity for Plasticity.” *International Astronautical Congress, Toronto, Canada*, 2014.
http://www.academia.edu/9232156/A_NOVEL_FINITE_ELEMENT_SENSITIVITY_METHOD_FOR_PLASTICITY
2. **Montoya, A.** and H. Ling. “Experimental Tests on Geocell Reinforced Nevada Sand.” *Design and Practice of Geosynthetic Reinforced Soil Structures* 369-376, 2013.
<http://www.destechpub.com/product/design-and-practice-of-geosynthetic-reinforced-soil-structures/>
1. **Montoya, A.**, Betti, R., Deodatis, G. and Waisman, H. “A Stochastic Finite Element

Approach to Determine the Safety of Suspension Bridge Main Cables.” *ASCE-International Workshop on Computing in Civil Engineering Proceedings*, pp 1-8, 2013. <http://ascelibrary.org/doi/pdf/10.1061/9780784413029.001>

Journal Articles Under Review

2. Fielder, R., **A. Montoya**, H. Millwater and P. Golden. Residual Stress Sensitivity Analysis Using a Complex Variable Finite Element Method. *International Journal of Mechanical Sciences*. Submitted on 11/8/2016.
1. Fielder, R., H. Millwater, **A. Montoya** and P. Golden. Efficient Estimate of Residual Stress Variance Using Complex Variable Finite Element Methods. *The Journal of Strain Analysis for Engineering Design*. Submitted on 3/8/2016.

Journals under Preparation

6. Nguyen, K., R. Nasouri, C. Bennett, A. Matamoros, J. Li and **A. Montoya**. Thermal-mechanical Modeling of Welding and Galvanizing of a Steel Beam Connection Detail to Examine Susceptibility to Cracking. *To be submitted to a Special ASTM Journal Publication by 7/12/ 2017*. Status: 95% completed.
5. Simmons, G., C. Bennett, R. Gonzales, B. Ravaji, **A. Montoya** and A. Matamoros. Improving the Fatigue Performance of Drilled Holes in Steel Bridges through the Use of Mechanical Treatments. *Structure and Infrastructure Engineering: Maintenance, Management, Life-Cycle Design, and Performance*, Status: 98% completed.
4. **Montoya**, A., D. Ramirez, M. Kirby and H. Millwater. A Complex-Valued Virtual Crack Extension Finite Element Method for Fracture of Nonlinear Materials. *To be submitted to Engineering Fracture Mechanics*. Status: 80% completed.
3. Nasouri, R., **A. Montoya**, A. Matamoros and C. Bennett. Development of a Finite Element Model for Simulating the Hot Dip Galvanizing Process of High Mast Illumination Poles. *To be submitted to Engineering Structures*, Status: 70% completed.
2. Ramirez, D., **A. Montoya** and H. Millwater. A Virtual Crack Extension Method to Compute J-integral and Stress Intensity Factors for Thermal Stress Problems using ZFEM. *To be submitted to Journal of Thermal Stresses*, Status: 70% completed.
1. Wagner, D., H. Millwater, M. Garcia and **A. Montoya**. A Finite Element-based Adaptive Energy Response Function Method for Curvilinear Progressive Fracture. *To be submitted to Journal of Fracture Mechanics*, Status: 60% completed.

Professional Report

1. Dessouky, S., R. Guo, A. Montoya, L. Walubita, J. Helffrich, A.T. Papagiannakis and A. Bhalla. Phase 1: Development of Highway Sensing and Energy Conversion (HiSEC) Modules for Generation Power. FHWA/TX-16/0-6871-1.

<http://library.ctr.utexas.edu/Presto/content/Detail.aspx?ctID=M2UxNzg5YmEtYzMyZS00ZjBILWlyODctYzljMzQ3ZmVmOWFI&rID=MzU5&sID=MQ==&qrs=VHJ1ZQ==&q=KCop&qcf=M2UxNzg5YmEtYzMyZS00ZjBILWlyODctYzljMzQ3ZmVmOWFI>

Professional Magazine

1. Montoya, A., Betti, R., Deodatis, G. and Waisman, H. (2014). “A Stochastic Finite Element Approach to Determine the Safety of Suspension Bridge Main Cables.” *The Structural Engineer. Journal of the Structural Engineers Association of Texas*, pp. 11-22

E. Scholarly Presentations

Oral Presentations

Nasouri, R., **A. Montoya** (Author), A. Matamoros, C. Bennett, K. Nguyen and J. Li, “Numerical Simulation of Induced Stresses and Strain in the Galvanizing Process of High Mast Illumination Poles”, Engineering Mechanics Institute Conference (EMI 2017), San Diego, CA. (June 6, 2017)

Montoya, A. (Author & Presenter), D. Ramirez and H. Millwater. “A Complex Valued Finite Element Method to Compute the Energy Release Rate in Thermoelastic Problems”, Engineering Mechanics Institute Conference (EMI 2017), San Diego, CA. (June 5, 2017)

Nguyen, K., R. Nasouri, C. Bennett, A. Matamoros, J. Li and A. Montoya (Author), “Thermal-mechanical Modeling of Welding and Galvanizing of a Steel Beam Connection Detail to Examine Susceptibility to Cracking”, 17th International ASTM/ESIS Symposium on Fatigue and Fracture Mechanics (41st National Symposium on Fatigue and Fracture Mechanics), Toronto, Canada. (May 11, 2017).

Montoya, A. (Presenter), H. Millwater, D. Wagner and M. Garcia. SBA Structures and Materials Annual Review (Metallic Structures), “A new Progressive Crack Growth Modeling Algorithm using Complex variable Finite Element”, Falls Church, VA. (July 19, 2016).

Montoya, A. (Author & Presenter) and H. Millwater, “Virtual Crack Extension Method for Elasto-Plastic Analysis using the Complex Finite Element Method”, Engineering Mechanics Institute Conference, Nashville, Tennessee. (May 24, 2016).

Montoya, A. (Author & Presenter), H. Millwater and A. Gomez-Farias, “A Complex Finite Element Sensitivity Method for Plasticity and Creep”, Engineering Mechanics Institute Conference, Stanford, California. (June 18, 2016).

Montoya, A. (Author & Presenter), H. Millwater and A. Gomez-Farias, A., “A Complex Finite Element Sensitivity Method for Plasticity and Creep”, Engineering Mechanics Institute Conference, Stanford, California. (June 18, 2016).

Montoya, A. (Author) and A. Gomez-Farias, "A Novel Finite Element Sensitivity Method for Plasticity," International Astronautical Conference, International Aeronautics -Canadian Aeronautics and Space Institute, Toronto, Canada. (September 29, 2014).

Montoya, A. (Author) and A. Gomez-Farias "A Novel Finite Element Sensitivity Method for Plasticity," AIAA Region IV Student Conference, American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics, Albuquerque, NM. (April 25, 2014)

Montoya, A. (Author) and A. Gomez-Farias, "Finite Element Sensitivity for Plasticity Using Complex Variable Methods," National Conference of Undergrad Research, Council on Undergraduate Research, Lexington, KY. (April 3, 2014).

Montoya, A. (Author & Presenter), and H. Millwater, "Probabilistic Modeling of Residual Stress in Life Prediction of Metallic Materials and Structures," Minority Leaders Program Review for Materials and Manufacturing, Air Force Research Laboratory, Dayton, OH. (September 24, 2013).

Montoya, A. (Author) and R. Fielder, "Finite Element Sensitivity for Plasticity using Complex Variable Methods," Engineering Mechanics Institute, Chicago. (August 8, 2013).

Montoya, A. (Author & Presenter), "A New Methodology To Determine the Reliability of a Suspension Bridge Cable," Engineering Mechanics Institute, Chicago. (August 7, 2013).

Montoya, A. (Author & Presenter), H. Waisman, R. Betti, and G. Deodatis. "A Stochastic Finite Element Approach to Determine the Safety of Suspension Bridge Main Cables," International Workshop on Computing in Civil Engineering, American Society of Civil Engineers. (June 24, 2013).

Montoya, A. (Author & Presenter), "A Novel Approach to Determine the Safety Factor of Suspension Bridge Main Cables," Workshop on Nonlocal Damage and Failure-Peridynamics and Other Nonlocal Models. (March 12, 2013).

Montoya, A. (Author & Presenter), "A Novel Method to Model the Reduction in the Load Carrying Capacity of Multiple Wire Strands due to Wire Breaks Induced by Corrosion," Engineering Mechanics Institute, Boston, MA. (June 2011).

Montoya, A. (Author & Presenter), H. Waisman, R. Betti and I.C. Noyan, "Modeling the inter friction mechanism between parallel wires of suspension bridge cables," Proc., 16th Us National Congress of Theoretical and Applied Mechanics-USNCTAM, State College, PA. (June 2010).

Poster Presentations

Nguyen, K., R. Nasouri, C. Bennett, A. Matamoros, J. Li and A. Montoya (Author), “Finite Element Study on a Structural Steel Detail Susceptible to Hot-dip galvanizing cracking”, Society for Protective Coatings (SSPC) Poster Session, 2017.

Dessouky, S. Roshani, H. A. Montoya. (Author & Presenter), and A. T. Papagiannakis, Transportation Research Board, “Experimental and Theoretical Evaluation of Two Roadway Energy Harvesting Prototypes”, Transportation Research Board 2016, (January 11, 2016).

Dessouky, S., Roshani, H., A. Montoya. (Author & Presenter), & A. T. Papagiannakis, “Roadway Sensing and Energy Conversion (RySEC) Module For Power Generation”, Transportation Research Board 2016, (January 11, 2016).

Islam, M.S and A. Montoya (Advisor), 2015 Department of Defense-Allied Nation Technical Corrosion Conference Attendance, "Stress Corrosion Cracking of 4340 Steel Under Immersion and Atmospheric Conditions during Cathodic Polarization", NACE, Pittsburgh, PA. (November 17, 2015).

Deodatis, R. Betti, E. Chatzis, A. Montoya (Author & Presenter) and H. Waisman. “Reliability and Safety of Suspension Bridge Cables Using Continuous Health Monitoring Data. Proc.” NSF CMMI Research and Innovation Conference, Atlanta, GA, January 2011.

Invited Talks

Montoya, A. “UTSA Hybrid Academy: Course Structure, Engaging Content, and the Learning Experience”. (May 19, 2017).

Montoya, A. “UTSA Faculty Workshop: Creating Problem Solving Videos with Office Mix”, Office of Information Technology. (April 25, 2017).

Montoya, A., & Vega, R. “UTSA Perspectives on DOE A2e Draft Work Packages”, 2014 Sandia Wind Turbine Blade Workshop. (August 28, 2014).

Montoya, A. “A Validated Methodology to Estimate the Reliability and Safety of Suspension Bridge Cables”, UT Austin Seminar: Department of Civil Engineering. (February, 27 2013).

Montoya, A. “A Validated Methodology to Estimate the Reliability and Safety of Suspension Bridge Cables”, UTSA Seminar: Department of Mechanical Engineering. (November 20, 2012).

F. Granting Activities

Grants – Funded (Total: \$2,870,849.00)

Montoya, A. (Co-Principal-40% effort), B. Rincon-Troconis (Co-Principal-30% effort), H. Millwater (Principal-20% effort), and H. Shipley (Senior Personnel-10% effort), “Faculty Development Program at the University of Texas at San Antonio: Probabilistic Risk Assessment of Stress Corrosion Cracking in Nuclear Facilities” Sponsored by The Nuclear Regulatory Commission, **\$450,000** (June 30, 2017 – June 29, 2020).

Shipley, H. (Principal-50% effort), **Montoya, A.** (Co-Principal-50% effort), “Graduate Fellowship Program in Nuclear Safety: Critical Thinking, Research Skills and Professional Development” Sponsored by The Nuclear Regulatory Commission, **\$399,351** (June 30, 2017 – June 29, 2021).

Shipley, H. (Principal-34% effort), **Montoya, A.** (Co-Principal-33% effort) and K. Nash (Co-Principal-33% effort), “Understanding Interactions of Chemical Contaminants to DOE Facility Material using Spectroscopic Techniques” Sponsored by Department of Energy/ Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, **\$273,134** (April 1, 2017 - March 31, 2018).

Dessouky, S. (Principal-48%), **Montoya, A.** (Co-Principal-10%), Papagiannakis, A. (Co-Principal-12%), Ruyan, G. (Co-Principal-24%), “Development of Highway Sensing and Energy Conversion (HISEC) Modules for Generating Power,” Sponsored by Texas Department of Transportation, **\$1,320,583** (January 1, 2015 - August 31, 2016).

Montoya, A. (Principal-100% effort), "A Novel Fracture Characterization Approach for Materials Exhibiting Inelastic Behavior Based on the MultiComplex Finite Element Method", Sponsored by VPR-Proposal Enhancement Program, UTSA, **\$20,000** (February 1, 2016 - July 31, 2016).

Montoya, A. (Principal-25% effort), Shipley, H. (Co-Principal-25% effort), Dessouky, S. (Co-Principal-25% effort) and Joseph, J. F. (Co-Principal-25 % effort), "CEE Course Re-Design Using Active Learning," UTSA, College of Engineering through NSF TRESTLE, Program, **\$10,000** (January, 2016 – May, 2017).

Millwater, H (Principal-34% effort), **A. Montoya** (Senior Personnel -33% effort) Wilkerson, A (Senior Personnel-33% effort), “Three Dimensional Fracture Mechanics Capability for Structures Operating in High Temperature Thermal Environments,” Sponsored by US Department of Defense, Federal, **\$397,843** (August 15, 2015- August 14, 2018).

Montoya A. (Principal-100% effort), "Efficient Structural Health Management and Prognosis through a Novel Fracture Mechanics", Sponsored by The University of Texas at San Antonio, **\$20,000** (September 1, 2015- August 2016).

Montoya, A. (Principal-60%), Waldemar, G. (Co-Principal-40% effort), “Potential Risk of Hydrogen Embrittlement of ZnNi Coated High Strength Steel”, Sponsored by Southwest Research Institute, **\$66,028.00** (September 1, 2015-May 30, 2016).

Montoya, A. (Principal-34% effort), Maldonado, V. (Co-Principal-33% effort),

Alaeddini, A. (Co-Principal-33% effort) "A Novel Pipeline Monitoring System," Sponsored by Flatrock Engineering and Environmental LTD, **\$84,272**. (September 1, 2014 - August 31, 2015).

Montoya, A. (Principal-100% effort), "Development of a Probabilistic Environmental Model to Predict the Deterioration Behavior of Steel Bridge Elements," Sponsored by The University of Texas at San Antonio, UTSA, **\$27,500.00**. (September 1, 2013 - August 31, 2014).

Diaz, M. A. (Principal), Chowdhury, A. H. (Co-Principal), and **Montoya, A.** (Co-Principal), "Course Development for a Certificate in Risk and Safety Analysis of Structural Components in Nuclear Facilities", Sponsored by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, **\$199,981**. (September 1, 2012 – June 30, 2015).

G. Teaching Activities

Courses Taught

Graduate

Advanced Statistics in Civil Engineering: CE 5043 (Fall 2012)

Finite Element Analysis I: CE 5023 (Spring 2013, Fall 2014, Fall 2015)

Nonlinear Finite Element Analysis: CE 5713/ME 5013 (Spring 2014, Spring 2015, Spring 2017)

Processes and Ethics in Thesis Development: CE 5001 (Fall 2015)

Undergraduate

Mechanics of Solids: CE 3103 (Fall 2013, Fall 2014)

Introduction to Timber and Masonry Design: CE 4253 (Fall 2016- Online Class)

Advanced Steel Design: CE 4103 (Spring 2016)

Senior Design, Study Abroad Program, CE 4813 (Fall 2016)

Independent Study

Graduate, CE 6953, Abdolreza Nasouri (Fall 2014)

Undergraduate, CE 4913, Armando Gomez-Farias (Fall 2013)

Thesis Dissertation

Committee Chair

Doctoral Thesis Committee Chair, "Modeling and Performance of High Mass Illumination Poles", Civil and Environmental Engineering Dept., In Progress, (Expected Date of Completion: August, 2018).

Advised: Abdolreza Nasouri

Doctoral Thesis Committee Co-Chair, "Progressive Crack Growth Algorithm for High Temperature Environments", Mechanical Engineering Dept., In Progress, (Expected Date of Completion: December, 2018).

Advised: Daniel Ramirez

Master's Thesis Committee Chair, “Modeling and Performance Analysis of Flexible Pavement Structure with an Embedded Energy Harvesting Module”, Mechanical Engineering Dept., Completed, (December, 2016).

Advised: Pranav Jagtap

Master's Thesis Committee Chair, “Potential Risk of Hydrogen Embrittlement of Zn-Ni Coated High Strength Steel”, Mechanical Engineering Dept., Completed, (September 20, 2016).

Advised: Md Saimon Islam

Master's Thesis Committee Chair, “Sensitivity Techniques for Nonlinear Finite Element Method”, Civil and Environmental Engineering Dept., Completed, (December 20, 2013).

Advised: Randal Fielder

Master's Thesis Committee Chair, “A Numerical Analysis for Load Transfer Mechanism in Grouted Post-tensioned Tendons”, Civil and Environmental Engineering Dept., Completed, (August 15, 2013).

Advised: Sirajus Salekin

Committee Member

Doctoral Thesis Committee Member, “Removal of Inorganic Scalants from RO Membranes Using Localized Gas Bubble Nucleation”, Civil Engineering Dept., Ongoing

Advised: Srikanto Paul

Doctoral Thesis Committee Member, “Adsorption of Arsenic to Zeolite Embedded Nano-TiO₂/MoS₂: Effect of Particle Size, Solid Concentration and Other Metals and Ion”, Civil Engineering Dept., Ongoing

Advised: Dipendra Wagle

Doctoral Thesis Committee Member, “Synthesis, Characterization and Application of Semiconductor Nano-Composite Materials for Water Pollutant Removal”, Civil Engineering Dept., Ongoing

Advised: Ali Balati

Doctoral Thesis Committee Member, “A Novel Spatiotemporal Statistical Quality Control Scheme using 3D Point Cloud Data”, Mechanical Engineering Dept., Ongoing

Advised: Sue Stankus

Doctoral Thesis Committee Member, “Simulation-Based Method for the Optimization of Multi-Criteria Stochastic Models”, Mechanical Engineering Dept., Completed

(May, 2017)
Advised: Hernan Chavez

Doctoral Thesis Committee Member, “Quantitative Analysis of Digitized Images with Applications to Prostate Cancer”, Electrical Engineering Dept., Completed (May, 2015)
Advised: Clara Mosquera

Doctoral Thesis Committee Member, “The role of interfacial interactions on mechanical response of nanostructured materials”, Mechanical Engineering Dept., Completed. (July, 2016)
Advised: Liqiang Lin

Doctoral Thesis Committee Member, “Numerical Analysis of Entrainment in Density Currents over Sloping Bottoms” Civil and Environmental Engineering Dept., Completed. (December, 2015)
Advised: Manjura Nayamatullah

Doctoral Thesis Committee Chair, “SWAT Model Development for Cibolo and Dry Comal Creek Basin: 1992-2010”, Civil and Environmental Eng. Dept., In Progress, (Expected Date of Completion: December, 2017).
Advised: Tim Sullivan

Master Thesis Committee Member, “Effect of Longitudinal Reinforcement on Shear Strength of Reinforced Concrete Beams and Slabs”, Civil Engineering Dept., Completed (May, 2017)
Advised: Jayender Reddy

Master Thesis Committee Member, “An Evaluation of Using Void Box For Slab-on-Grade Foundation on Expansive Clay”, Civil Engineering Dept., Completed (May, 2017)
Advised: Gausul Hasan

Master's Thesis Committee Member, "Residual Stress Analysis of Thick-Walled Spherical Pressure Vessels Using a Complex Variable Finite Element Method", Mechanical Engineering Department, Completed. (December, 2017).
Advised: Randal Fielder

Master's Thesis Committee Member, "High Performance Implementation of Probabilistic Damage Tolerance Analysis." Mechanical Engineering Department, Completed. (August, 2017)
Advised: Nathan Crosby

Master's Thesis Committee Member, “The Effect of Heavy Metal Immobilization Agents on the Strength of Fly Ash Treated Soils and the Long Term Stability of the Agents”, Civil and Environmental Engineering Dept., Completed, (December

2014).
Advised: Shahid Rehman

Master's Thesis Committee Member, "Calculation of Strain Energy Release Rates Using a Complex Variable Finite Element Method", Mechanical Engineering Dept., Completed, (November 2014).
Advised: Andrew Baines

Master's Thesis Committee Member, "Sensitivity Analysis of Turbine Engine Sustainment", Mechanical Engineering Dept., Completed, (August 2014).
Advised: Eliseo Iglesias

Master's Thesis Committee Member, "The Effects of Fiber Size on the Mechanical Properties of Fly Ash Stabilized High Plasticity Clay Soil", Civil and Environmental Engineering Dept., Completed, (May 2014).
Advised: Sanjoy Das Gupta

Honors Thesis, "Feasibility of Mobile Applications in Reinforced Concrete Design", Civil and Environmental Engineering Dept., Completed, (December, 2013).
Advised: Armando Gomez-Farias

Master's Thesis Committee Member, "The Effect of Upward and Downward Movement on the Behavior of MSE Wall", Civil and Environmental Engineering Dept., (August 2, 2013).
Advised: Rafat Sadat

Master's Thesis Committee Member, "Modeling of Laterally Loaded Drilled Shaft within an MSE Wall under Cycling Loading", Completed, Civil and Environmental Engineering Dept., (August 2, 2013).
Advised: Saidur Rahman

Master's Thesis Committee Member, "Comparison of Concrete Volumes in Moment, Shear Wall and X-Braced RC Frames for Different Wind Speeds", Civil and Environmental Engineering Dept., Completed, (April 25, 2013).
Advised: Sessa Kandaala

Master's Thesis Committee Member, "Strut-and-Tie Method in Footing Design." Civil and Environmental Engineering Dept., Completed, (December 4, 2012).
Advised: Atchyut Sappa

Master's Thesis Committee Member, "Strain Rate and Thermal Effects in Polyureas", Civil and Environmental Engineering Dept., Completed, (November 1, 2012 - December 4, 2012).
Advised: Lawrence Nelson

Other Instructional Activities

Consulting

2012 Naturesweet Company, San Antonio, TX

I. Faculty Development Activities Attended

- 2016 Workshop, 2016 NSF CAREER Proposal Writing Workshop, St. Louis, Missouri
- 2016 Workshop, Modeling Fracture and Failure with Abaqus, West Lafayette, Indiana
- 2015 Workshop, Write Winning Grant Proposals – A One-day Seminar, Faculty Center, UTSA
- 2015 Workshop, Writing Successful Grants – Beginners Workshop, Faculty Center, UTSA
- 2015 Workshop, ASCE ExCEED Teaching Workshop, West Point, New York
- 2015 Workshop, Scripting and Advanced Scripting in Abaqus, Simulia, West Lafayette, Indiana
- 2012 Workshop, College of Engineering (COE) Teaching Workshop, San Antonio, Texas
- 2012 Workshop, 2012 San Antonio Wood Solutions Fair, Architectural WoodWork Institute, San Antonio, Texas