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## PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION

Professional Engineer, Michigan, No. 6201068570

## EDUCATION

2015 – present (exp. May 2019)	PhD in Civil Engineering <i>University at Buffalo, State University of New York</i>	GPA: 3.93/4
2010 – 2011	Master of Science in Civil Engineering (Structures) <i>University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign</i>	GPA: 3.96/4
2006 – 2010	Bachelor of Technology in Civil Engineering <i>College of Engineering, Pune (India)</i>	GPA: 9.10/10

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### Research

Aug 2018 – present	Research Engineer <i>Structural Engineering and Earthquake Simulation Laboratory (SEESL) University at Buffalo, State University of New York</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Seismic qualification testing of ceiling systems and electrical equipment</li><li>• Design and execution of experimental tests</li></ul>
Jan 2016 – present	Research Assistant <i>University at Buffalo, State University of New York</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Seismic behavior of RC walls subjected to elevated temperature</li><li>• Concrete subjected to high temperatures</li><li>• Development of strain-hardening cementitious composites</li><li>• Experimental methods – large-scale structural testing and materials testing</li></ul>
Apr 2014 – Jun 2015	Project Officer <i>Indian Institute of Technology Madras (India)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Development of consistent strain based design of RC components</li><li>• Nonlinear static analysis of RC buildings</li></ul>

### *Practice*

Jan 2012 – Mar 2014 Design Engineer

*Leslie E Robertson Associates, New York (USA) and Mumbai (India)*

- Construction drawings for high-rise concrete buildings in India
- Schematic design for structural systems
- Site visits and coordination with contractor and client

### *Teaching*

Dec 2018 Guest Lecturer for CIE525 (Reinforced Concrete), graduate class of 50

Aug – Dec 2017 Teaching Assistant for CIE525 (Reinforced Concrete), graduate class of 50

Aug – Dec 2015 Teaching Assistant for EAS207 (Statics), undergraduate class of 450

Aug – Dec 2011 Teaching Assistant for CEE470 (Structural Analysis), graduate class of 80

## **AWARDS AND HONORS**

Apr 2018 Finalist at the 3-Minute Thesis Competition

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XIXjSPivGLY>

Dec 2016 \$2,500 Structural Engineers Foundation Research Grant for 2016-2017

Dec 2010 Gold Medal from *Alumni Association of College of Engineering, Pune*

Jun 2010 Gold Medal from *Dept. of Civil Engineering, College of Engineering, Pune*

## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

- Large-scale experimental testing
- Strain-hardening cementitious composites (SHCC)
- Effects of high temperature on cementitious materials and reinforced concrete
- Seismic testing of electrical equipment and ceiling systems
- Blast engineering

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### *Journal articles*

1. **Deshpande, A. A.** and Whittaker, A. S. “Seismic behavior of reinforced concrete walls at elevated temperature,” *accepted for publication in ACI Structural Journal* (2019).
2. **Deshpande, A. A.,** Kumar, D. and Ranade, R. “Influence of high temperatures on the residual mechanical properties of a hybrid fiber-reinforced strain-hardening cementitious composite,” *Construction and Building Materials*, Vol. 208, pp. 283-395, May 2019, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.conbuildmat.2019.02.129>.

*Conference papers*

1. Kumar, D., **Deshpande, A. A.** and Ranade, R. “Effects of elevated temperatures on residual bond strength of steel rebar with strain hardening cementitious composite,” *3rd R N Raikar Memorial International Conference and Gettu-Kodur International Symposium on Advances in Science and Technology of Concrete*, 14-15 December, 2018, Mumbai, India.
2. **Deshpande, A. A.**, Kumar, D., Mourougassamy, A. and Ranade, R. “Development of a Steel-PVA Hybrid Fiber SHCC,” *Proceedings of 4th International RILEM Conference on SHCC*, 18-20 September, 2017, Dresden, Germany.

*Technical reports*

1. **Deshpande, A. A.** and Wu, T., (2019). “An experimental study of the in-plane response of a reinforced masonry wall built using 8-inch NRG continuously insulated concrete masonry units (CICMU),” Report No. UB CSEE/SEESL-2019-01, State University of New York at Buffalo, Buffalo, New York.
2. **Deshpande, A. A.** and Whittaker, A. S., (2018). “Seismic qualification test of ceiling systems, a study for Armstrong Building Products Operations,” Part XXXIII, Report No. UB CSEE/SEESL-2018-32, State University of New York at Buffalo, Buffalo, New York.
3. **Deshpande, A. A.**, Terranova, B. R. and Whittaker, A. S., (2018). “Seismic qualification test of ceiling systems, a study for Armstrong Building Products Operations,” Part XXXII, Report No. UB CSEE/SEESL-2018-31, State University of New York at Buffalo, Buffalo, New York.
4. **Deshpande, A. A.** and Whittaker, A. S., (2018). “An experimental study of the response of squat reinforced concrete shear walls subjected to combined thermal and seismic loading,” January, [https://www.researchgate.net/publication/322919290\\_An\\_experimental\\_study\\_of\\_the\\_response\\_of\\_squat\\_reinforced\\_concrete\\_shear\\_walls\\_subjected\\_to\\_combined\\_thermal\\_and\\_seismic\\_loadings](https://www.researchgate.net/publication/322919290_An_experimental_study_of_the_response_of_squat_reinforced_concrete_shear_walls_subjected_to_combined_thermal_and_seismic_loadings).

*Manuscripts in preparation*

1. **Deshpande, A. A.**, Kumar, D., Ranade, R. and Whittaker, A. S. “Concrete solutions for high temperatures,” ASCE Structures Congress, Orlando, Florida, April 2019.
2. **Deshpande, A. A.** and Whittaker, A. S. “Effects of elevated temperatures on the seismic behavior of reinforced concrete walls,” 25<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Structural Mechanics in Reactor Technology (SMiRT25), Raleigh, North Carolina, August 2019.
3. **Deshpande, A. A.**, Kumar, D., Ranade, R. and Whittaker, A. S. “Advanced concretes for high temperature applications,” International Association for Bridge and Structural Engineering (IABSE) Congress, New York City, New York, September 2019.
4. **Deshpande, A. A.**, Kumar, D. and Ranade, R. “Influence of high temperatures on residual bond behavior between deformed steel rebar and a hybrid fiber-reinforced strain-hardening cementitious composite.”

5. **Deshpande, A. A.**, Ranade, R. and Whittaker, A. S. “Influence of mechanical damage on the residual mechanical behavior of concrete subjected to high temperatures.”
6. **Deshpande, A. A.**, Ranade, R. and Whittaker, A. S. “Effects of moisture and heating conditions on mechanical behavior of concrete subjected to elevated temperatures.”
7. Kumar, D., **Deshpande, A. A.** and Ranade, R. “Effects of high temperature on the microstructure of strain hardening cementitious composites.”

#### *Posters*

1. **Deshpande, A. A.**, Kumar, D. and Ranade, R. “Concrete solutions for high temperatures,” 97th U.S. Transportation Research Board Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., January 2018.
2. Kumar, D., **Deshpande, A. A.** and Ranade, R. “Crack-free ductile concrete for resilient and sustainable infrastructure,” 97th U.S. Transportation Research Board Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., January 2018.

#### **SOFTWARE SKILLS**

Proficient in AutoCAD, ETABS, LS-DYNA, MATLAB, SAFE, SAP2000, XTRACT.

#### **AFFILIATIONS**

Student member of ACI, ASCE, EERI, TMS and IStructE.