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RESEARCH AREAS

Autonomous System, Image Security, Multimodal LLM reasoning, Communication-Aware Distributed Learning, Deep Inverse Learning, AI-enabled Networking for Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS), Internet of Things, Cyber Security, Digital Holography, Non-linear Optimizations

EDUCATION

University of Maine

PH.D. IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

Orono, ME, USA

09/01/2009 - 05/31/2013

- Thesis: Distributed Adaptive Algorithm Design for Joint Data Compression and Coding in Dynamic Wireless Sensor Networks

Tehran Polytechnic

M.S. ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

Tehran, IRAN

09/23/1998 - 01/17/2001

Sharif University of Technology

B.S. IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

Tehran, IRAN

09/23/1994 - 09/01/1998

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Clemson University

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

Clemson, SC, USA

Aug 2021-now

Northern Arizona University

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE

Flagstaff, AZ, USA

Sep 2015 - Aug 2021

Case Western Reserve University

POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH ASSOCIATE, COMPREHENSIVE CANCER CENTER

Cleveland, OH, USA

Sep 2014 - Aug 2015

Duke University

POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH ASSOCIATE, ECE DEPARTMENT

Durham, NC, USA

Sep 2013 - Sep 2014

University of Maryland

VISITING GRADUATE STUDENT, ECE DEPARTMENT

College Park, MD, USA

July 2012 - Feb 2013

HONORS & AWARDS

2025	Best Poster Award , ICRAIC Organizing Committee	ICRAIC Conference
2024	Outstanding Contribution Award , UWF4DR Organizing Committee	MICCA-UWF4DR
2024	3rd Place Challenge Award , Task1: Image Quality Assessment	MICCA-UWF4DR
2024	3rd Place Challenge Award , Task3: Identification of Diabetic Macular Edema	MICCA-UWF4DR
2016	IEEE Senior Membership , IEEE	IEEE
2013	Best Research Poster Award , Grad EXPO	University of Maine
2012	3rd Place Research Poster Award , Grad EXPO	University of Maine
2011	Best Paper Award , EEE Fly By Wireless Conference (FBW 2011, Montreal, CANADA)	FBW, IEEE/CANEUS
2011	Best Graduate Assistant Research Award , School of Engineering	University of Maine
2009	International Graduate Student Tuition Scholarship , Graduate School	University of Maine
1994	Elite Student Award , Rank 204 in Countrywide University Entrance Exam	Dep. Education

SPONSORED PROJECTS

VIA-LLM: Visually Impaired Assistive Tool with LLM Reasoning

LEAD PI, **\$70 K**

SC EPSCoR Gain Program

Dec. 2025 - May 2027

Anomaly Detection for Resilient Autonomy-Enabled Vehicle Systems

LEAD PI, **\$590 K**

VIPR-GS under US Army Detroit

Aug. 2024 - Aug 2026

Learning-Based Semantic Communication for Unmanned Aerial Systems

PI, **\$100 K**

DOD/ MIT Lincoln Lab

April. 2024 - March 2025

Anomaly Detection for Resilient Autonomy-Enabled Vehicle Systems

LEAD PI, **\$150 K**

VIPR-GS under US Army Detroit

Dec. 2023 - Dec 2025

AI-based Energy Management Enterprise for Complex Industrial Setups

SOLE PI, **\$75 K**

BMW Research

Jan. 2021 - Dec 2022

Leveraging Learning-Based Networking for Mission-Critical Autonomous Systems in Uncertain Environments

PI, **\$100 K**

DOD/ MIT Lincoln Lab

Jan. 2023 - Dec 2023

Collaborative Research: CCRI: New: Distributed Sensing & Computing Over Sparse Environments (DISCOVER) Platform

Co-PI, **\$1,366 M**

NSF CCRI Program

Oct. 2021 - Dec. 2024

CNS Core: Small: PilotPC: Proactive Inverse Learning of Network Topology for Predictive Communication among Unmanned Vehicles

SOLE PI, **\$480K**

NSF NeTS: Program

Oct. 2020 - Sep 2023

Secure Traceability in the Food Supply Chain Using Cell Phone Readable Dendritic Identifiers

NAU PI, **Total: \$480K, NAU:\$140K**

USDA AFRI Program

Jan. 2021 - Dec 2022

Towards Predictive Communications for UAV based IoT Networks

SOLE-PI, **\$175K**

NSF CRII: NeTS: Program

Sep. 2018 - Aug 2020

Design and Fabrication of Memory-based Physical Unclonable Functions for Robust Key Generation

Co-PI, **\$750K + \$53K Extension**

NSF: PFI Program

Sep. 2018 - Aug 2021

Wildland Fire Observation, Management, and Evacuation using Intelligent Collaborative Flying and Ground Systems

Co-PI, **Total:\$1.2M**

NSF: CPS Program

May. 2021 - April 2023

New distributed Sensing and Computing Over Sparse Environments (Discover) platform

Co-PI, **Total:\$1.36M**

NSF: CCRI Program

Sep. 2021 - Aug 2024

Remote Heart Monitoring Platform for Early Prediction of Arterial Fibrillation for Under-served Populations

Co-I, **\$60K**

NAU SHERC: Pilot Projects

Jan 2018-Dec 2018

Southwest Helath Equity Research Collaborative (SHERC)

KEY PERSONNEL: RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURE CORE (RIC), **\$21M**

NIH U54

Sep. 2017 - Aug 2022

Advanced Video Analytics for Metric-Based Network Safety Performance Prediction Co-PI, Total: \$1M, NAU: \$78	Arizona Commerce Authority (ACA) Jun. 2020 - May 2021
Dynamic Spectrum Leasing in Heterogeneous Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Networks Prediction Co-PI, Total: \$129K	US Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL) Jun. 2018 - Dec 2018
Predictive and Adaptive Communications for Real-time Dynamic Network Management in Autonomous Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Networks Co-PI, Total: \$150K	US Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL) Jan. 2020 - Dec 2020
Predictive Network Topology Discovery for Autonomous Airborne Networks PI, \$16K	Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL), VFRP Program Jun. 2017 - Aug 2017
Predictive Communications for UAV Systems PI, \$11K	Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL), VFRP Program July. 2016 - Aug 2016
Multi-modal signal processing to identify hearth abnormalities using wireless health monitoring device PI, \$2K	Interns-to-Scholars (I2S) to Support Undergraduate Research Sep. 2016 - May. 2017
Exploiting Nanomaterials for End-to-End Cybersecurity Solutions Co-PI, PI:PROF. BERTRAND CAMBOU, \$1M	Arizona Board of Regents (ABOR) Sep. 2016 - Aug. 2020
Development of Internet of Things (IoT) Research Infrastructure Center Co-PI, PI:PROF. PAUL FLIKKEMA, \$50K	Research Development Grant, NAU Oct. 2015 - Oct. 2016
Java Based Multi-IMSI Simcard Development PI, \$50K	MCI Company 2008
Value Added Service Development for GSM/GPRS System Using S@T Server PI, \$200K	MCI Company 2007

PATENTS & INVENTIONS

- Abolfazl Razi, Bertrand Francis Cambou, "Securing distributed elements connected to a network with addressable physically unclonable functions", US Patent US11388013B2, 2022/7/12 (link).
- Abolfazl Razi, Zaoyi. Chi, "Methods and systems for generating unclonable optical tags", US Patent 17505547, 2022/4/21 (link)
- Bertrand Cambou, Abolfazl Razi, "Authentication of Images Extracted from Unclonable Objects", Patent Number: PCT/US2017/018192, 2017 (link)
- A. Razi, V. Varadan, N. Dimitrova, N. Banerjee, "Integrated method and system for identifying functional patient-specific somatic aberrations using multi-omics cancer profiles", Patent Number: US US20180247010A1, Aug 2018 (link)
- F. Afghah, A Razi, K. Najarian, S. Soroushmehr, "False Alarm Reduction Systems and Related methods", Patent Number: US 10650667, 2020 (link)
- F. Afghah, A. Razi, Ashwin Belle, K. Najarian, "Hierarchical Game Theoretic Based Feature Selection in Heterogeneous Big Data Sets", Invention Disclosure, NC A&T State University Reference Number: EN00840714, Duke University Reference Number: IDF 4435, Submitted 2014, Filed in 2015.

3. A. Razi, B. Cambou, "Securing Distributed Elements Connected to a Network with Addressable PUFs", US Patent 11388013, 2022/7/12 (link)
2. F. Afghah, A. Razi, "Roulette Transform for Signal Processing", Invention Disclosure: D2018-007, 2018
1. A. Razi, "Methods for authenticating dendrites, unclonable optical tags to mitigate counterfeit and cloning attacks", Invention Disclosure, NAU Case Number: 2021-16

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5. Ata Jahangir Moshayedi, Amir Sohail Khan, Zeashan Hameed Khan, Arash Sioofy Khoojine, Abolfazl Razi, "Road Space Rationing Using Vehicle's Automated License Plate Recognition: A Comprehensive Survey of Methods", Book title: *Applied Neural Networks in the AI Era: From Theory to Real-World Impact*, Publisher: *IGI Global Scientific Publishing*, 2025, pp. 93–136.
4. A. Abedi, F. Afghah, A. Razi, "Resource Management in Cyber Physical Systems", 28 pages, Book title: *Cyber-Physical System Design with Sensor Networking Technologies*, Editor: S. Zeadally, N. Jabeur, Publisher: *IET Press*, 2016, ISBN: 978-1849198240
3. A. Razi, A. Abedi, "Information-flow in hard to reach areas: Source estimation using correlated streams", Book title: *Design Solutions for Wireless Sensor Networks in Extreme Environments*, Publisher: *Artech House*, 2018, ISBN: 9781630811778
2. A. Abedi, A. Razi, "Sensor Design for Harsh Environments: Material Science Perspective", Book title: *Design Solutions for Wireless Sensor Networks in Extreme Environments*, Publisher: *Artech House*, 2018, ISBN: 9781630811778
1. R. Dias, R.T. Suderman, B.R. Thomas, A. Razi, A.W. Clayton, W.S. Hlavacek, R.G. Posner, "Using BioNet-Fit to estimate parameters of rule-based models", Publisher: *Methods on Molecular Biology series*, Submitted

JOURNAL ARTICLES

55. Sayed Pedram Haeri Boroujeni, Niloufar Mehrabi, Fatemeh Afghah, Connor Peter McGrath, Danish Bhatkar, Mithilesh Anil Biradar, Abolfazl Razi, "Fire and smoke datasets in 20 years: An in-depth review, to appear in *Machine Learning with Applications*, 2025.
54. Ahmad Sarlak, Rahul Amin, Abolfazl Razi, "Extended Visibility of Autonomous Vehicles via Optimized Cooperative Perception under Imperfect Communication, *Elsevier Transportation Research Part C: Emerging Technologies*, v. 180, no. 2025, p. 105350, Nov 2025.
53. Niloufar Mehrabi, Sayed Pedram Haeri Boroujeni, Abolfazl Razi, "Turbo-IRL: Enhancing multi-agent systems using turbo decoding-inspired deep maximum entropy inverse reinforcement learning," *Expert Systems with Applications*, vol. 296, p. 128754, 2026.
52. Ahmad Sarlak, Rahul Amin, Abolfazl Razi, "Extended Visibility of Autonomous Vehicles via Optimized Cooperative Perception under Imperfect Communication", accepted in *Elsevier Transportation Research: Part C*, 2025
51. Hongkui Zheng, Hao Wang, Xiwen Chen, Abolfazl Razi, Kai He, "Gaussian differential assessment of sequential stem radiation damage in beam-sensitive materials," *Microscopy and Microanalysis*, vol. 31, Supplement 1, pp. oza048–1065, 2025.
50. Hongkui Zheng, Xiwen Chen, Abolfazl Razi, Kai He, "Convolutional Neural Networks for Evaluation of Sequential Beam Damage of Beam-Sensitive Solid Electrolytes," *Microscopy and Microanalysis (Supplement)*, vol. 30, Supplement 1, p. ozae044.859, 2024.
49. Ashish Bastola, Hao Wang, Sayed Pedram Haeri Boroujeni, Julian Brinkley, Ata Jahangir Moshayedi, Abolfazl Razi, "Driving Towards Inclusion: A Systematic Review of AI-powered Accessibility Enhancements for People with Disability in Autonomous Vehicles," *IEEE Access*, 2025.

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35. Michael Kozicki, Mark Manfredo, Abolfazl Razi, Yago Gonzales Velo, "Research Update: Cell Phone Readable Dendritic Identifiers: Applications for Secure Track and Trace in the Food Supply Chain.", *Journal of Food Distribution Research*, vol. 53. no. 1, March 2022
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27. J. Qu, C. Su, Z. Zhang, A. Razi, "Dilated Convolution and Feature Fusion SSD Network for Small Object Detection in Remote Sensing Images", *IEEE Access*, vol. 8, pp. 82832-82843, 2020
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85. Hazim Alzorgan, Abolfazl Razi, “Monte Carlo Beam Search for Actor-Critic Reinforcement Learning in Continuous Control, *The 22nd International Conference on Ubiquitous Robots*, Jun 2025, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas, USA
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16. "Integrating Rate-Distortion Theory and Determinantal Point Processes to Diversify Learning Data Samples for Traffic Monitoring Applications", Wayne State University, March 2023
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12. "Unmanned Frontier", **Discussion Panelist**, Arizona Unmanned Summit, November 2018
11. "Predictive communications for UAV networks: the intersection of machine learning and wireless communications", **Keynote Speech**, The Fifth Euro-China Conference on Intelligent Data Analysis and Applications (ECC 2018), October 2018
10. "Computational Methods to Analyze Genomic Aberrations in Cancer Disease– a Bayesian Framework", University of Arizona Cancer Center (UACC), January 2017
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- **PhD Thesis Committee:** Adil Alsuhaim (AY2021-23)
- **PhD Thesis Committee:** Ashwija Reddy Korenda (AY2019-now)
- **PhD Thesis Committee:** Mahsa Keshavarz (AY2019-now)
- **PhD Thesis Committee:** Alireza Shamsoushoara (AY2018-now)
- **PhD Thesis Committee:** Mohammad Mohammadi (AY2018-now)
- **PhD Thesis Committee:** Seyed Sajjad Mousavi (AY2017-20)
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- **MS Thesis Committee:** Alexander Dahlman (AY2018-20)
- **MS Thesis Committee:** Md Ashiqua Amin (AY2018-20)
- **MS Thesis Committee:** Ashwija Reddy Korenda (AY2016-18)
- **MS Thesis Committee:** Jared Park (AY2015-17)
- **MS Thesis Committee:** Abdulla Shamsuddin (AY2015-16)
- **Directed Research:** Michael Elrod, John Suchanek, William Bain, Jenna Hofset, Rayid Ali Masoo Mohammed
- **Capstone Project Supervisor:** Han Peng, Yulan Westerveld, Xinghao Qi, Benjamin Johnson, Ahmed Altamimi, Abdulmajeed Alhawsawi, Alyssa Thompson, Hashem Aldashti, Tyler Mulholland, Omar Marshad, Cody Warner, Sixian Zhang, Yazhou Li, Zening Wen, Huiwen Chu, Charles Chatwin, Tanner Brelje, Josh Gutman, Matthew Burns, Fahad Almaraghi, Yuting Zhang, Qiyuan Huang, Chaoju Wang, Hanxiao Lu, Christopher Thompson, Tyler Halperin, Tyler Criss, Huayu Li, Faisal Alotaibi, Tamey Alajmi, Tong Zhou, Junshi Wei, Mathew Ronald Miller, Rui Li, Alfred Gunasekara, Bo Sun, Jingwei Yang, Junlin Hai, Daniel Jacob Copley, Mohammed S. Almershed, Noah W. Levie

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- **TPC-Co Chair:** 5th Asia Conference on Machine Learning and Computing (ACMLC), Bangkok, December 28-30, 2022
- **Publication Chair:** 5th International Conference on Machine Learning and Natural Language Processing (MLNLP 2022), Sanya, China, Dec. 23-25, 2022.
- **Conference Co-Chair:**
 - The 2nd International Conference on Artificial Intelligence, Digital Media Technology and Social Computing (ICAIDS 2026)
- **TPC Co-Chair:**
 - IEEE International Conference on Wireless for Space and Extreme Environments WiSEE (2019)
 - ACLMC (2025)
- **NSF Review Panel:** CPS , SCH , NeTS , CRI , GRFP , CSD&E , Safe-OSE
- **Invited Session Chair:** KES2020, (2020)
- **Invited Session Chair:** CISS2021-AI-enabled UAV Networking, (2020)
- **Session Chair:**
 - IEEE WiOPT Conference, Arizona State University (2016)
 - Annual Conference on Information Sciences and Systems (CISS), John Hopkins University (2015)
 - IEEE BigData 2024 - IEEE ECNC 2024
- **Senior Program Chair:** IEEE AAI 2025

- **Registration Chair:** IEEE WiSEE 2018
- **Poster Session Chair:** IEEE Consumer Communication and Networking Conference CCNC (2019 and 2020)
- **Program Committee and Sponsorship Chair:** CANEUS/IEEE Fly by Wireless workshop, Orono, Maine (Aug 2010)
- **Technical Program Committee:**
CVPR (2025), ICML (2024-now), AAAI (2023-now), WACV (2023-now), SwarmNet Workshop (2023), IEEE VTC (2017-20), ECCV (2024), IEEE WiSEE (2014-21), IEEE CCNC 2019, IEEE PiMRC (2018-21), SwarmNet Workshop (in IEEE WoWMoM 2019-2021), iUAV workshop (in SECON 2020), SAI2020, DroIT 2020, ICoIV 2020, Microsoft CMT (2019-now)
- **IEEE Maine Section PACE Chair:** Professional Activities Committees for Engineers (2009-12)
- **Organizing Committee:** IEEE Seminar on “Communications for Smart grid” and “Interference Alignment”, University of Maine, (Sep. 2011)
- **Journal Paper Review:** IEEE Vehicular Technology Magazine, IEEE Transactions on Communications, IEEE Transactions on Wireless Communications, IEEE Transactions on Aerospace and Electronic Systems, IEEE Transactions on Mobile Computing, IEEE Transactions on Smart Grids, IEEE Transactions on Vehicular Technology (TVT), IEEE Tran. Mobile Computing, IEEE Communications Letters, IEEE Access, IEEE Journal of Biomedical and health informatics (JBHI), IEEE Internet of Things, IEEE Internet of Things Journal, Journal of Communications and Networks (JCN), ACM Transactions on Sensor Networks, BMC Research Notes (BMC), Journal of Sensors, Journal of Franklin, Elsevier Journal on Artificial Intelligence, Elsevier Engineering Applications of Artificial Intelligence, PLOS One, Hindawi Journal on Mobile Information Systems, IET Wireless Sensor Systems, Science China: Information Sciences, IEEE Transactions on Computational Biology, IET Sensor Systems Journal. IEEE. Tran. Intelligent Tran. Systems,
- **Conference Paper Review:** AAAI, CHI, WACV, ICC, Globecom, VTC, CCNC, ISWCS, QBSC, WCNC, ICNC, WiSEE, PiMRC, AICT, SECON, CISS, ICoIV, etc.

INDUSTRIALWORK EXPERIENCE

Mobile Company of Iran (MCI)

Tehran, IRAN

PROJECT MANAGER, R&D, TECHNICAL EXPERT (**FULL TIME**)

02/01/2001 - 05/31/2009

- Wireless System Radio Planning and Optimization
- Project Manager, “Value Added Services (VAS) Development Project
- SIM Test Procedure Development, Java SIM Programming
- Feature Test for Mobile Switching Centers (MSC)
- Member of MCI’s GPRS/MSC/VAS/SIM Research Groups

Farda Telecommunications Company

Tehran, IRAN

PROJECT MANAGER (**PART TIME**)

05/01/2004 - 04/31/2009

- Solution Manager for Next Generation Networks Project (LTE, WiMAX)
- Wireless Network Planning and Optimization

PTK Telecommunications Company

Tehran, IRAN

SOFTWARE ENGINEER (**PART TIME**)

09/23/1999 - 09/22/2001

- Software Development for PDX5: a Private Automatic Branch eXchange (PABX) Telephony Switch Telephony Switch (Capacity: 5K)

Powers System Company (Tehran Niroo)

Tehran, IRAN

SOFTWARE ENGINEER (**PART TIME**)

11/1/1997 - 10/30/1998

- Power Station Automation Based on Power Line Carrier Project

DEVELOPED SOFTWARE PACKAGES

17. Ali Valehi and Abolfazl Razi, “Cognitive Radio Network Queuing Simulator”, **MATLAB**, (link)

16. Ali Valehi and Abolfazl Razi, “NFSIM2”, A modified version of NFSIM package, **C++**, a molecular interaction simulator (link)
15. Ali Valehi and Abolfazl Razi, “Dendrite-generator”, **MATLAB** A simulator to generate artificial dendritic patterns (link)
14. Ali Valehi and Abolfazl Razi, “BioNetFit”, A **C++** Package for molecular interaction modeling, (link)
13. Huayu Li and Abolfazl Razi, “DIH: Learning-Based 3D Image Reconstruction for Digital Holography”, **Python**
12. Huayu Li, Xiwen Chen, and Abolfazl Razi, “Subband-Pyramid-Network”, Image denoising tool, **Python**
11. Qiyuan Huang, Abolfazl Razi, “Vison-Based Semi-Empirical Fire Spread Modeling”, in **MATLAB**
10. NFSIM.v2 Molecular Interaction Modeling (Modifications): **C++**, NAU
9. BioNetFit.v2 Molecular Interaction Model Tuning (Modifications): **C++/MPI**, NAU
8. PDX5 PABX SC Alarm Panel Design: **C, 8051 Assembly**, PTK Company
7. PDX5 PABX SC O&M Console Design: **VB6**, PTK Company
6. HDLC Protocol Design for PLC: **C, Motorola Assembly**, Tehran Niroo Company
5. SIM CARD Management and Test Suit: **VB6, PCSC**, MCI Company
4. Multi-IMSI Applet Design: **Java: JDK2.2.1**, MCI Company
3. Call Center Management Software **VC++**, TCI Company
2. KPI Analysis Software **VB and Access**, FARDA Company
1. Passive Sensor Interrogator **Xilinx Virtex 4 FPGA Board**, University of Maine

HW & SW SKILLS

Concepts:	Object Oriented Programming (OOP), Real-time Programming
Programming:	VB, C/C++, Java, Perl, Python, MATLAB, R, Mathematica
DataBase:	SQL Server, Microsoft Access
Hardware:	Intel Assembly (8086, 8051), PLC, Xilinx Virtex. 4 DSP Tools
Wireless:	TEMS Investigation, Mentum Planet, Nokia NED, Ericsson Alex library, Asset Enterprise
Sensor Networks:	Tiny OS (TelosB motes), Arduino, Rasbery Pai, Libelium WSN Kit, TI WSN Kit
Smart Card Tools:	Gemxplore SIM suite, SIMSurf, SIM Tester, SIM Alliance JDK Enterprises
Molecular Biology:	NFSIM, BioNetGen, RuleBender, Nauty, Cytoscape, GSEA, Paradigm, InfloMut
Electrical Equipment:	USRP Cognitive Radio, Wireless Channel Emulator (SPIRENT SR5500), Spectrum Analyzer, Digital Logic Analyzer

TRAINING COURSES & CERTIFICATES

2012	School of Information Theory,	<i>University of Texas</i>
2011	IEEE Membership Development,	<i>IEEE Region 1, NY</i>
2003	MSC/VLR Operation (LZU108405), GSM Statistics Handling (LZU1083274),	<i>Ericsson Company</i>
2003	AXE 10 Emergency Handling Periodic Refresh Training (LZU108094),	<i>Ericsson Company</i>
2002	GSM/GPRS Operation SubSystem R9.1 On Site Introduction,	<i>Ericsson Company</i>
2007	BSS Parameter Planning,	<i>Nokia Company</i>
2007	SIM, STK and OTA Basics, Value Added Services (T1001I),	<i>Gemalto Co.</i>
2007	Java SIM Applet Development (T1007D),	<i>Gemalto Co.</i>
2006	Mobile SS7 Signaling,	<i>AirCom Company</i>
2004	GSM SIM Card Technology,	<i>ST-Incard, Italy</i>

INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES

- **Clemson TPR Committee**, College of Engineering, Computing and Applied Sciences, AY2022-23
- **Clemson TPR Committee**, School of Computing, AY2022-23
- **Clemson Faculty Search Committee**, School of Computing, AY2021-22,AY2022-23
- **Clemson Graduate Student Evaluation Committee**, School of Computing, AY2021-22,AY2022-23
- **NAU Graduate Coordinator**, EE Department, AY2015-16
- **NAU Member of PhD Admission Committee**, SICCS, AY2019-20
- **NAU Faculty Status Committee**, SICCS, AY2017-18, AY2020-21
- **NAU Postdoctoral Hiring Committee**, NAU, Multiple Positions, AY2017-Now
- **NAU Faculty Search Committee**, SICCS, Multiple Committees, AY2017-2019
- **NAU Proposal Review Committee**, Native American Cancer Prevention (NACP), AY 2016-17
- **Proposal Review**, HURA Award, April 2019
- **NAU EE Scholarship Assignment Committee**, EE Department, AY2016-17
- **NAU SICCS ABET Committee**, SICCS, AY2015-2021
- **NAU EE Undergraduate Curriculum Committee**, AY2016- 2017
- **Judge**, NAU: IEEE Student Chapter Robotics Competition, Dec 2017
- **NAU Graduate Recruitment Committee**, SICCS, AY 2020-21
- **NAU Graduate Curriculum Committee**, SICCS, AY 2020-21
- **NAU Graduate Scholarship Committee**, SICCS, AY 2020-21
- **NAU Graduate Activities Committee**, SICCS, AY 2020-21
- **NAU Capstone Reviewer**, Computer Science Capstone Projects, AY 2017-18

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