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Appointments

School of Industrial Engineering & Management	Oklahoma State University
Professor	July 2020–Present
Wilson Bentley Professorship	July 2018–Present
Associate Professor	July 2013-June 2020
Graduate Program Director	July 2016–June 2019
Assistant Professor	August 2007-June 2013

Education

Texas A&M University Ph.D., Industrial Engineering	2002–2007
Indian Institute of Technology–Madras	
B. Tech., Mechanical Engineering	1998–2002

Research Interests

Optimization theory and algorithms: Graph signatures; Graph-theoretic clique relaxations; Fault-tolerant cluster detection; Design of survivable (multi-path, disruption-tolerant) network topologies; Network interdiction

Optimization applications: Computational biology; Agricultural analytics; Social network analysis; Graph-based data mining; Transportation logistics; Production planning

Publications

Student coauthors are starred*

Working Papers.

[1] Pouya Ahadi*, Balabhaskar Balasundaram, Juan S. Borrero, and Charles Chen. Optimizing expected cross value for genetic introgression.

Under Review

[2] Niloufar Daemi*, Juan S. Borrero, and Balabhaskar Balasundaram. First passage time interdiction in Markov chains. *Under Review*, 2023.

[3] Hao Pan*, Balabhaskar Balasundaram, and Juan S. Borrero. Finding conserved low-diameter subgraphs in social and biological networks. *Under First Revision*, 2023.

Journal Articles....

- [4] Yajun Lu, Zhuqi Miao, Parisa Sahraeian*, and Balabhaskar Balasundaram. On atomic cliques in temporal graphs. *Optimization Letters*, 17(4):813–828, April 2023.
- [5] Yajun Lu*, Hosseinali Salemi*, Balabhaskar Balasundaram, and Austin Buchanan. On fault-tolerant low-diameter clusters in graphs. *INFORMS Journal on Computing*, 34(6):3181–3199, November–December 2022.
- [6] Niloufar Daemi*, Juan S. Borrero, and Balabhaskar Balasundaram. Interdicting low-diameter cohesive subgroups in large-scale social networks. *INFORMS Journal on Optimization*, 4(3):304–325, September 2022.
- [7] Balabhaskar Balasundaram, Juan S. Borrero, and Hao Pan*. Graph signatures: Identification and optimization. *European Journal of Operational Research*, 296(3):764–775, February 2022.
- [8] Babak Farmanesh*, Arash Pourhabib, Balabhaskar Balasundaram, and Austin Buchanan. A Bayesian framework for functional calibration of expensive computational models through non-isometric matching. *IISE Transactions*, 53(3):352–364, March 2021.
- [9] Zhuqi Miao* and Balabhaskar Balasundaram. An ellipsoidal bounding scheme for the quasi-clique number of a graph. *INFORMS Journal on Computing*, 32(3):763–778, August 2020.
- [10] Farzaneh Nasirian*, Foad Mahdavi Pajouh, and Balabhaskar Balasundaram. Detecting a most closeness-central clique in complex networks. *European Journal of Operational Research*, 283(2):461–475, June 2020.
- [11] Juan Ma* and Balabhaskar Balasundaram. On the chance-constrained minimum spanning k-core problem. Journal of Global Optimization, 74(4):783–801, August 2019.
- [12] Shuzhen Sun*, Zhuqi Miao*, Blaise Ratcliffe, Polly Campbell, Bret Pasch, Yousry A. El-Kassaby, Balabhaskar Balasundaram, and Charles Chen. SNP variable selection by generalized graph domination. *PLoS ONE*, 14(1):1–18, January 2019.
- [13] Yajun Lu*, Esmaeel Moradi*, and Balabhaskar Balasundaram. Correction to: Finding a maximum k-club using the k-clique formulation and canonical hypercube cuts. *Optimization Letters*, 12(8):1959–1969, November 2018.
- [14] Esmaeel Moradi* and Balabhaskar Balasundaram. Finding a maximum k-club using the k-clique formulation and canonical hypercube cuts. *Optimization Letters*, 12(8):1947–1957, November 2018.
- [15] Zhuqi Miao* and Balabhaskar Balasundaram. Approaches for finding cohesive subgroups in large-scale social networks via maximum k-plex detection. *Networks*, 69(4):388–407, July 2017.

- [16] Foad Mahdavi Pajouh*, Esmaeel Moradi*, and Balabhaskar Balasundaram. Detecting large risk-averse 2-clubs in graphs with random edge failures. *Annals of Operations Research*, 249(1):55–73, February 2017.
- [17] Foad Mahdavi Pajouh*, Balabhaskar Balasundaram, and Illya V. Hicks. On the 2-club polytope of graphs. *Operations Research*, 64(6):1466–1481, November-December 2016.
- [18] Juan Ma*, Foad Mahdavi Pajouh*, Balabhaskar Balasundaram, and Vladimir Boginski. The minimum spanning *k*-core problem with bounded CVaR under probabilistic edge failures. *INFORMS Journal on Computing*, 28(2):295–307, April 2016.
- [19] Zhuqi Miao*, Balabhaskar Balasundaram, and Eduardo L. Pasiliao. An exact algorithm for the maximum probabilistic clique problem. *Journal of Combinatorial Optimization*, 28(1):105–120, July 2014.
- [20] Foad Mahdavi Pajouh*, Zhuqi Miao*, and Balabhaskar Balasundaram. A branch-and-bound approach for maximum quasi-cliques. *Annals of Operations Research*, 216(1):145–161, May 2014.
- [21] Svyatoslav Trukhanov, Chitra Balasubramaniam, Balabhaskar Balasundaram, and Sergiy Butenko. Algorithms for detecting optimal hereditary structures in graphs, with application to clique relaxations. *Computational Optimization and Applications*, 56(1):113–130, September 2013.
- [22] Sergiy Butenko, Oleksandra Yezerska, and Balabhaskar Balasundaram. Variable objective search. Journal of Heuristics, 19(4):697–709, August 2013.
- [23] Foad Mahdavi Pajouh*, Balabhaskar Balasundaram, and Oleg A. Prokopyev. On characterization of maximal independent sets via quadratic optimization. *Journal of Heuristics*, 19(4):629–644, August 2013.
- [24] Marco Carvalho, Alexey Sorokin, Vladimir Boginski, and Balabhaskar Balasundaram. Topology design for on-demand dual-path routing in wireless networks. *Optimization Letters*, 7(4):695–707, April 2013.
- [25] Foad Mahdavi Pajouh*, Dahai Xing*, Yingjue Zhou*, Sharethram Hariharan*, Balabhaskar Balasundaram, Tieming Liu, and Ramesh Sharda. A specialty steel bar company uses analytics to determine available-to-promise dates. *INFORMS Journal on Applied Analytics*, 43(6):503–517, 2013.
- [26] Foad Mahdavi Pajouh* and Balabhaskar Balasundaram. On inclusionwise maximal and maximum cardinality k-clubs in graphs. Discrete Optimization, 9(2):84–97, May 2012.
- [27] Trevor Grout*, Yang Hong, Jeffrey Basara, Balabhaskar Balasundaram, Zhenyu Kong, and Satish T. S. Bukkapatnam. Significant winter weather events and associated socioeconomic impacts (federal aid expenditures) across Oklahoma: 2000-2010. *Weather, Climate, and Society*, 4(1):48–58, January 2012.
- [28] Balabhaskar Balasundaram, Sergiy Butenko, and Illya V. Hicks. Clique relaxations in social network analysis: The maximum k-plex problem. Operations Research, 59(1):133–142, January-February 2011.

- [29] Balabhaskar Balasundaram, Shyam S. Chandramouli*, and Svyatoslav Trukhanov. Approximation algorithms for finding and partitioning unit-disk graphs into co-k-plexes. *Optimization Letters*, 4(3):311–320, August 2010.
- [30] Balabhaskar Balasundaram and Sergiy Butenko. On a polynomial fractional formulation for independence number of a graph. *Journal of Global Optimization*, 35(3):405–421, July 2006.
- [31] Balabhaskar Balasundaram and Sergiy Butenko. Constructing test functions for global optimization using continuous formulations of graph problems. *Journal of Optimization Methods and Software*, 20(4-5):439–452, August-October 2005.
- [32] Balabhaskar Balasundaram, Sergiy Butenko, and Svyatoslav Trukhanov. Novel approaches for analyzing biological networks. *Journal of Combinatorial Optimization*, 10(1):23–39, August 2005.

Book Chapters.

- [33] Balabhaskar Balasundaram and Foad Mahdavi Pajouh*. Graph theoretic clique relaxations and applications. In P. M. Pardalos, D.-Z. Du, and R. Graham, editors, *Handbook of Combinatorial Optimization*, pages 1559–1598. Springer, New York, 2nd edition, 2013.
- [34] Foad Mahdavi Pajouh* and Balabhaskar Balasundaram. Gradient-type methods. In J. J. Cochran, L. A. Cox, P. Keskinocak, J. P. Kharoufeh, and J. C. Smith, editors, *Wiley Encyclopedia of Operations Research and Management Science*, volume 3, pages 2092–2099. John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 2011.
- [35] Balabhaskar Balasundaram and Sergiy Butenko. Optimization problems in unit-disk graphs. In C. A. Floudas and P. M. Pardalos, editors, *Encyclopedia of Optimization*, pages 2832–2844. Springer Science + Business Media, New York, 2nd edition, 2009.
- [36] Balabhaskar Balasundaram and Sergiy Butenko. Network clustering. In B. H. Junker and F. Schreiber, editors, *Analysis of Biological Networks*, pages 113–138. Wiley, New York, 2008.
- [37] Balabhaskar Balasundaram and Sergiy Butenko. Graph domination, coloring and cliques in telecommunications. In M. G. C. Resende and P. M. Pardalos, editors, *Handbook of Optimization in Telecommunications*, pages 865–890. Springer Science + Business Media, New York, 2006.

Conference Proceedings.

- [38] Hao Pan*, Balabhaskar Balasundaram, and Juan S. Borrero. A decomposition branch-and-cut algorithm for the maximum cross-graph k-club problem. In *Proceedings of the 10th International Network Optimization Conference (INOC)*, pages 17–22. Open Proceedings, 2022.
- [39] Juan Ma* and Balabhaskar Balasundaram. Solving chance-constrained spanning k-core problem via decomposition and integer programming. In *Proceedings of the 2013 Industrial and Systems Engineering Research Conference (ISERC 2013)*, pages 2774–2783, Norcross, GA, 2013. Institute of Industrial Engineers.
- [40] Zhuqi Miao* and Balabhaskar Balasundaram. Cluster detection in large-scale social networks using k-plexes. In *Proceedings of the 2012 Industrial and Systems Engineering Research Conference (ISERC 2012)*, pages 1–10, Norcross, GA, 2012. Institute of Industrial Engineers.

- [41] Peerapol Sittivijan*, Manjunath Kamath, and Balabhaskar Balasundaram. Models for clustering commodities into logistical families. In *Proceedings of the 2009 International Conference on Value Chain Sustainability (ICOVACS 2009)*, pages 32–37, 2009.
- [42] Balabhaskar Balasundaram. Cohesive subgroup model for graph-based text mining. In *Proceedings* of the 2008 IEEE International Conference on Automation Science and Engineering (CASE 2008), pages 989–994. IEEE, August 2008.
- [43] G. Srinivasan, B. Balasundaram, and V. Karthik. Minimizing squared deviation of completion times about a common due date algorithms and heuristics. In P. Radhakrishnan, S. Palaniswami, P. V. Mohanram, and J. Kanchana, editors, *Proceedings of the 1st International Conference on Logistics and Supply Chain Management*, pages 234–239, Mumbai, August 2001. Allied Publishers.

Awards & Honors

- Regents Distinguished Teaching Award, Oklahoma State University, September 2022.
- Phoenix Award for Outstanding Faculty, Graduate and Professional Student Government Association, Oklahoma State University, April 2019.
- Regents Distinguished Research Award, Oklahoma State University, November 2016.
- Research Excellence Award, College of Engineering Architecture and Technology, Oklahoma State University, April 2016.
- IISE Award for Excellence in the Teaching of Operations Research, Operations Research Division, Institute of Industrial and Systems Engineers, May 2015.
- Research Excellence Award, College of Engineering Architecture and Technology, Oklahoma State University, April 2014.
- President's Cup for Creative Interdisciplinarity, First Place, member of iCREST Center for Bioinformatics and Computational Biology (team leader Dr. Rakesh Kaundal), Oklahoma State University, December 2013.
- o OSU Award of Excellence for Advising, Oklahoma State University, December 2013.
- IEM Faculty Award, School of Industrial Engineering & Management, Oklahoma State University, November 2013.
- ISERC Best Paper Award (Operations Research Track) from the IIE Operations Research Division for the paper titled "Solving chance-constrained spanning k-core problem via decomposition and integer programming," coauthored with doctoral advisee Juan Ma, May 2013.
- Outstanding Young Faculty Award, Halliburton Foundation, Inc., College of Engineering Architecture and Technology, Oklahoma State University, March 2013.
- CEAT Outstanding Advisor Award, College of Engineering Architecture and Technology, Oklahoma State University, December 2012.
- IIE South Central Region Outstanding Advisor Award, Institute of Industrial Engineers, May 2011.

- Pritsker Doctoral Dissertation Award, 2nd Place, Institute of Industrial Engineers, May 2008.
- o George Kunze Prize, Texas A&M University, April 2007.
- U.S. Senator Phil Gramm Doctoral Fellowship, Texas A&M University, April 2007.
- Distinguished Graduate Student Award for Excellence in Teaching, Association of Former Students of Texas A&M University, March 2007.
- Best Poster Award for "Constructing test functions for global optimization using continuous formulations of optimization problems on graphs" in the Workshop on Multiscale Optimization Methods and Applications, February 26-28, 2004, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL.
- Best Paper Award for "A backtracking heuristic for solving U-shaped assembly line balancing problem" in Shaastra TechFest 2002, Indian Institute of Technology–Madras, India. (With P. Devarajan).

Grants

Principal Investigator/Institutional Lead.

- FLAT: Freight Lane Assignment Tool, PI: Balasundaram, Co-PIs: Buchanan, Heragu, 1/13/2020–8/16/2020, \$163,730. TreeHouse Foods, Inc.
- Optimization-based Aggregate Master Planning Tools for Bay Valley Foods, LLC, PI: Balasundaram, Co-PIs: Buchanan, Heragu, 10/1/2017–1/31/2020, \$250,599. Bay Valley Foods, LLC.
- Collaborative Research: Risk-Averse Cluster Detection in Network Models of Big Data Under Measurement Uncertainty, OSU PI: Balasundaram, Collaborator: Hicks (Rice University), 4/15/2014– 3/31/2018, \$271,649. National Science Foundation.
- Clique Relaxations in Biological and Social Network Analysis: Foundations and Algorithms, PI: Butenko (Texas A&M), Co-PIs: Balasundaram, Boginski (University of Florida), 7/1/2012–6/30/2015, \$452,942. Air Force Office of Scientific Research.
- Robust Optimization for Connectivity and Flows in Dynamic Complex Networks, PI: Balasundaram, Co-PIs: Butenko (Texas A&M), Boginski, Uryasev (University of Florida), 9/15/2009–9/14/2013, \$589,092. Department of Energy.
- Data Reduction by Generalized Graph Domination, PI: Balasundaram, 2/1/2010–7/31/2010, \$35,558. Entero Technologies LLC.
- Proactive Approach To Transportation Resource Allocation Under Severe Winter Weather Emergencies, PI: Balasundaram, Co-PIs: Bukkapatnam, Kong, Hong (University of Oklahoma), 7/1/2009–6/30/2011, \$261,194. Oklahoma Transportation Center.

Co-Principal Investigator.....

- MRI: Acquisition of Shared High Performance Compute Cluster for Multidisciplinary Computational and Data-Intensive Research, PI: Brunson, Co-PIs: Balasundaram, Borunda, Fennell, Hoyt, 10/1/2015– 9/30/2018, \$951,570. National Science Foundation.
- Feasibility Study: Hazardous Material Movement Model for HazMat Transportation in Oklahoma,
 PI: Pourhabib, Co-Pls: Balasundaram, Kamath, Zhao, 7/1/2015–9/30/2015, \$44,534. Oklahoma

Emergency Management.

- Algorithms for Order-Picking (Project 12), RFID Technology Center at the University of Louisville, PI: Heragu, Co-PIs: Balasundaram, Kamath, Liu, 1/1/2014–3/28/2014, \$235,270. Defense Logistics Agency.
- Oklahoma Center for Transportation and Logistics Research, Education and Outreach, PI: Ingalls, Co-PIs: Balasundaram, Kamath, Liu, 7/1/2011–6/30/2013, \$150,000. Oklahoma Transportation Center.
- Collaborative: CELDi (Center for Engineering Logistics and Distribution) Research Experience for Teachers Supplement, PI: Kamath, Co-PIs: Balasundaram, Ingalls, 12/18/08–7/31/13, \$58,000.
 National Science Foundation.
- Collaborative: CELDi (Center for Engineering Logistics and Distribution) Renewal, PI: Kamath, Co-PIs: Balasundaram, Ingalls, 8/1/07–7/31/13, \$125,000. National Science Foundation.
- Developing Cutting-Edge Educational, Outreach and Diversity Programs in Transportation and Logistics for Oklahoma, PI: Kamath, Co-PIs: Balasundaram, Ingalls, Liu, 10/1/2011–12/31/2012, \$87,465. Oklahoma Transportation Center.
- ECLIPSE: Environment for Contextualized Learning and Insightful Problem Solving Experiences, PI: Antonenko, Co-PIs: Balasundaram, Gelder, Greenwood, Nichols, 9/1/2011–8/31/2012, \$49,281. Oklahoma State University Planning Grants.
- Development of an Available-To-Promise Decision Support System for Webco Industries, PI: Liu, Co-PI: Balasundaram, 4/1/2010–6/30/2012, \$137,995. Webco Industries Inc.
- A Design Optimization Tool for Supply Chains (DOTS), PI: Ingalls, Co-PIs: Kamath, Balasundaram, 6/1/2010–12/31/2011, \$21,666. Center for Excellence in Logistics and Distribution (NSF I/UCRC).
- Acquisition of LIDAR Laser Scanner for Bridge Inspection, PI: Kong, Co-PIs: Ley, Emerson, Balasun-daram, Collins, Liu, 8/1/2010–10/31/2011, \$200,000. Oklahoma Transportation Center.

Graduate Advising

Doctoral Students.

- Parisa V. Mohebbi (in progress)
- Hao Pan (December 2021)
 - Dissertation: Mining Low-Diameter Clusters Conserved in Graph Collections
 - Optimization Data Scientist at U.S. Xpress, Inc.
- Yajun Lu (July 2019)
 - Dissertation: Finding Second-order Clubs.
 - Assistant Professor of Operations Management, Department of Management & Marketing, College of Business & Industry, Jacksonville State University.
- Babak Farmanesh (Co-advisor, August 2018)
 - Dissertation: Efficient Techniques for Statistical Modeling of Calibration and Spatio-temporal

- Systems Using Gaussian Processes.
- Senior Data Scientist at Microsoft.
- Zhuqi Miao (May 2016)
 - Dissertation: Combinatorial and Global Optimization Approaches to the Maximum Quasi-clique Problem.
 - Assistant Professor of Business Analytics, School of Business, State University of New York at New Paltz.
- Esmaeel Moradi (May 2016)
 - Dissertation: Decomposition Algorithms for Detecting Low-diameter Clusters in Graphs.
 - Director of Global Supply Chain Strategy at Wesco
- Juan Ma (Co-advisor, December 2015)
 - Dissertation: Proactive Approaches for System Design Under Uncertainty Applied to Network Synthesis and Capacity Planning.
 - Technical Manager, Data Science, iHeartMedia, Inc.
- Foad Mahdavi Pajouh (August 2012)
 - Dissertation: Polyhedral Combinatorics, Complexity & Algorithms for k-Clubs in Graphs.
 - Jack Howe Fellow and Associate Professor, School of Business, Stevens Institute of Technology

Masters Students.

- o Parisa Sahraeian (Summer 2022)
- o Pouya Ahadi (Spring 2021), Thesis: Optimizing Expected Cross Value for Genetic Introgression
- Tyler Davis (Fall 2017), Thesis: Parallelization of the Clark, Colbourn, and Johnson Maximum Clique Algorithm for Unit Disk Graphs
- Rajeev Gangwar (Spring 2017)
- Sampreet Mangalvedhe (Fall 2016), Thesis: On a Biobjective Flow Problem in Networks
- Arun Jayaraman (Summer 2016)
- Amit Kumar (Summer 2016)
- Prashant Kalidindi Verma (Spring 2016)
- Devaraja Radha Krishnan (Fall 2015), Thesis: Decomposition Algorithms for the Elementary Shortest Path Problem in Networks Containing Negative Cycles
- Komal Revankar (Fall 2015), Independent Study: Autonomous Mobility-on-demand: Operations Research Focused Literature Review
- Justin Zawoiski (Spring 2015)
- Surender Singireddy (Spring 2014), Independent Study: Implementing Shortest Path, Maximum Flow and Minimum Spanning Tree Algorithms With Boost Graph Libraries
- Zhuqi Miao (Spring 2012), Independent Study: Cluster Detection in Large-scale Social Networks
 Using k-Plexes

- Juliana Bright (Fall 2011), Thesis: Robust Shortest Paths Under Uncertainty Using Conditional Value-At-Risk
- Ninad Joshi (Summer 2011)
- o Pranav Dharmadhikari (Summer 2011)
- Vidyasagar Kodukula (Summer 2011)
- Amol Bhave (Fall 2010), Thesis: *Greedy Randomized Adaptive Search Procedure for the Maximum Co-k-Plex Problem*
- Ameya Dhaygude (Fall 2010), Thesis: A Heuristic Approach to the Chance Constrained Minimum Spanning k-Core Problem
- Sameer Mangalvedhe (Fall 2010), Thesis: Greedy Randomized Adaptive Search Procedure for the Maximum 2-Club Problem
- o Rahul Banda (Fall 2009)
- Krishna Chaitanya Gunturu (Summer 2009)

Undergraduate Advising

Senior Design Projects...

- Jason Abernathy, Mason Feddersen, Kendel Hart, Sam Koscelny (Spring 2022), Estimating Lumber Requirements and Minimizing Lumber Wastage in Zeeco Crating Operation
- Cade Phelan, Victoria Richardson, Kaustuvi Thapa (Spring 2021), Cost-effective Freight Carrier Selection for ArcBest
 - Top-5 finalist for the 2021 Outstanding ISE Capstone Senior Design Project Award given by the Institute of Industrial and Systems Engineers
- Jennifer Fallon, Brittany Grubert, Rylee Hunter, Charlie Robson (Spring 2020), *Increasing Air Fleet Availability at the OSU Flight Center*
- Ahmed Almuhanna, Andrew Browning, Erica Crain, Michael Moylan (Spring 2019), Enhancement of Inventory Simulator for Engine Parts at American Airlines Maintenance Facility
- Ronnie Comeau, Jazmin Wilson, Qidong Zhai (Fall 2017), An Optimized Scheduling Methodology for Air Traffic Controllers at the Federal Aviation Administration
- Connor Mojo, Hao Pan, Carly Reeves (Spring 2016), Improving Customer Experiences at Nebu Café
- Andrea Lewis, Katey Luster, Weikao Wu (Spring 2014), An Investigation into Routing Efficiency at the Regional Food Bank in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- Erin Lee, Steven Miklosko, Amy Zeckser (Spring 2013), Process Improvement in Stillwater Medical Center's Same Day Surgery Department in Stillwater, Oklahoma
- Marco Borunda, Nadia Brigita, Bailey Layman (Fall 2009), An Investigation of High Patient Waiting Time at the Baptist Community Clinic

 Marcus Concienne, Mitchel McCowan, Doann Nguyen (Fall 2008), An Investigation into the Development of a Method to Identify RFQ Similarity at Webco Industries, Inc.

Undergraduate Technical Papers & Presentations.....

- Kaustuvi Thapa, Torie Richardson, and Cade Phelan, Integer Programming Approach to Solving a Carrier Selection Problem
 - First Place, IISE South-Central Regional Undergraduate Student Paper Competition, February 2022
- Aarushi Singh, Comorbidity Network Analysis Using Atomic Cliques, OSU Undergraduate Research Symposium Poster Presentation, April 2022
 - Recipient of CEAT Undergraduate Research Scholarship for AY2020–2021 and AY2021–2022.
- Bailey Whitman, Determining an Optimal Inventory Mix for NABco Industries, (Project Mentor: Dr. Liu)
 - First Place, IISE South-Central Regional Undergraduate Student Paper Competition, March 2018
 - Finalist, IISE International Undergraduate Student Paper Competition, May 2018
- Andrea Lewis, Katey Luster, Weikao Wu, Delivery Vehicle Routing at the Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma
 - First Place, IIE South-Central Regional Undergraduate Student Paper Competition, Feb 2015
 - Finalist, IIE International Undergraduate Student Paper Competition, June 2015
 - Participant, INFORMS Undergraduate Poster Competition, Nov 2014
- o lan Giese, Michelin Recyclable Material Planning Tool
 - First Place, 2014 IIE Process Industry Division Student Paper Competition
- Erin Lee, Process Improvement in Stillwater Medical Center's Same Day Surgery Department in Stillwater, Oklahoma
 - First Place, IIE South-Central Regional Undergraduate Student Paper Competition, Feb 2014
 - Finalist, IIE International Undergraduate Student Paper Competition, June 2014
- Justin Whisenant, Webco Industries, Inc. Steel Coil Optimization, (Project Mentor: Dr. Ingalls)
 - Second Place, IIE South-Central Regional Undergraduate Student Paper Competition, Feb 2013
- Ajay Reddy, Ryan Sullivan, An Analysis of Process Documentation at a Software Providing Organization, (Project Mentor: Dr. Collins)
 - Participant, IIE South-Central Regional Undergraduate Student Paper Competition, Feb 2013
- Austin Buchanan, Adrian Smith, An Investigation into Instructor Staffing at Oklahoma State University Fire Service Training, (Project Mentor: Dr. Liu)
 - First Place, IIE South-Central Regional Undergraduate Student Paper Competition, March 2012
 - First Place, IIE International Undergraduate Student Paper Competition, May 2012
 - Participant, INFORMS Undergraduate Paper Competition, Nov 2011
- Thomas Hong, Julianna Bright, Carrie Walker, An Investigation into the Current Distribution System at Ditch Witch in Perry, Oklahoma, (Project Mentor: Dr. Ingalls)
 - First Place, IIE South-Central Regional Undergraduate Student Paper Competition, Feb 2010
 - First Place, IIE International Undergraduate Student Paper Competition, May 2010

- o Marcus Concienne, Mitchel McCowan, An Investigation into the Development of a Method to Identify RFQ Similarity at Webco Industries, Inc.
 - First Place, IIE South-Central Regional Undergraduate Student Paper Competition, Feb 2009
 - Third Place, IIE International Undergraduate Student Paper Competition, May 2009

Courses Taught

PhD

- Linear Optimization
- Nonlinear Optimization
- Integer and Combinatorial Optimization

MS

- Introduction to Optimization
- Network Optimization

BS

- Operations Research
- Engineering Economic Analysis
- Senior Design Projects

Editorial Service

Associate Editor.....

- *Networks*, 2012–Present
- o IISE Transactions, 2013-2018

o Journal of Global Optimization, 2009-Present

Reviewer.....

- Mathematical Programming
- Networks
- Discrete Optimization
- Discrete Applied Mathematics
- Optimization Letters
- Journal of Global Optimization
- Journal of Optimization Methods & Software
- Annals of Operations Research
- Computers & Operations Research
- IISE Transactions
- Production & Operations Management
- **Applications**
- Journal of Communications & Networks
- ogy and Bioinformatics
- IEEE Transactions on NanoBioscience

- Operations Research
- INFORMS Journal on Computing
- SIAM Journal on Discrete Mathematics
- Journal of Graph Algorithms and Applications
- Journal of Combinatorial Optimization
- Computational Optimization & Applications
- Optimization and Engineering
- European Journal of Operational Research
- Asia-Pacific Journal of Operations Research
- Computers & Industrial Engineering
- Journal of Heuristics
- o Discrete Event Dynamic Systems: Theory and o Omega-The International Journal of Management Science
 - Social Networks
- o IEEE/ACM Transactions on Computational Biol- o IEEE Transactions on Automation Science and Engineering

Conference Activities

Program Committee Member.....

- Critical Infrastructure Network Security Workshop CINS 2021, June 14, 2021, Virtual during ACM SIGMETRICS
- World Congress on Global Optimization WCGO 2021, July 7-10, 2021, Athens, Greece
- The 9th International Conference on Optimization and Applications OPTIMA-2018, October 1–5, 2018, Petrovac, Montenegro
- The 14th International Workshop on Global Optimization LeGO 2018, September 18–21, 2018, Leiden, The Netherlands
- The 4th International Conference on Machine Learning, Optimization and Data Science LOD 2018, September 13–16, 2018, Volterra, Tuscany, Italy
- o Global Optimization Conference GOC 2017, March 30-April 1, 2017, College Station, TX
- The Second International Workshop on Machine Learning, Optimization and Big Data MOD 2016, August 26–29, 2016, Volterra, Tuscany, Italy
- International Workshop on Machine Learning, Optimization and Big Data MOD 2015, July 21–24, 2015, Taormina - Sicily, Italy
- World Congress on Global Optimization WCGO 2015, Feb 22-25, 2015, Gainesville, FL
- INFORMS Optimization Society Conference, March 6-8, 2014, Houston, TX
- o Yalta Conference on Resilient Networks, June 17-18, 2012, Crimea, Ukraine
- Systems and Optimization Aspects of Smart Grid Challenges, April 28-30, 2011, Gainesville, FL
- Yalta Conference on Network Science, Aug 2-4, 2010, Yalta, Ukraine
- Yalta Conference on Discrete and Global Optimization, July 31–August 2, 2008, Yalta, Ukraine
- Optimization/Networks, 2019 INFORMS ALIO International Conference, June 9–12, 2019, Cancún, Mexico
- Network Optimization in Big Data Analytics and Power Systems, 2014 INFORMS Optimization Society Conference, March 6-8, 2014, Houston, TX
- Optimization/Networks, 2013 INFORMS Annual Meeting, Oct 6–9, 2013, Minneapolis, MN
- Optimization/Networks, 2012 INFORMS Annual Meeting, Oct 14–17, 2012, Phoenix, AZ

Session Chair.....

- Network Optimization-I, 2019 INFORMS ALIO International Conference, June 9–12, 2019, Cancún, Mexico
- Optimization in Social Networks, 2018 INFORMS Annual Meeting, Nov 4-7, 2018, Phoenix, AZ
- Global Optimization in Networks, 2017 Global Optimization Conference GOC 2017, March 30–April

- 1, 2017, College Station, TX
- Paths, Cycles, and Transversals, 2016 INFORMS Annual Meeting, Nov 13–16, 2016, Nashville, TN
- Stable Sets, Zero-forcing Sets, and Target Sets in Graphs, 2016 INFORMS Annual Meeting, Nov 13–16, 2016, Nashville, TN
- Network Flows and Combinatorial Optimization, 2015 INFORMS Annual Meeting, Nov 1–4, 2015, Philadelphia, PA
- Combinatorial Optimization in Social Networks, 22nd International Symposium on Mathematical Programming, July 12–17, 2015, Pittsburgh, PA
- Optimization in Graphs and Digraphs, 2014 INFORMS Annual Meeting, Nov 9–12, 2014, San Francisco, CA
- CVaR and Chance Constrained Optimization in Networks, 2012 INFORMS Annual Meeting, Oct 14–17, 2012, Phoenix, AZ
- Optimization Methodology, 2009 Industrial Engineering Research Conference (IERC), May 30–June 3, 2009, Miami, FL
- Internet Analytics and Automation, 2008 IEEE Conference on Automation Science and Engineering, Aug 23–26, 2008, Washington, DC
- Discrete Optimization, 2008 INFORMS Southwest Regional Conference, April 18–19, 2008, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX

Service & Professional Activities

- Elected Member, Reappointment, Promotion, and Tenure College-Wide Committee, College of Engineering, Architecture, and Technology, Oklahoma State University, 2022–2025
- Affiliate Faculty, Center for the Study of Disasters and Extreme Events (CSDEE), Oklahoma State University, 2016–2020
- Member, Coalition for Advanced Digital Research & Education (CADRE) Council, Oklahoma State University, 2017–2019
- Member, Food-Energy-Water (FEW) Nexus Council, Oklahoma State University, College of Engineering, Architecture, and Technology representative, 2016–2018
- Member, Faculty Research Council, College of Engineering, Architecture, and Technology, School of Industrial Engineering & Management representative, 2013–2015
- Faculty Adviser, Student Chapter of IIE at Oklahoma State University, 2007–2014
- Panelist, "Four Generations in Academia." Graduate Students & Faculty Relationships Workshop, April 4–6, 2014, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX
- Panelist, IISE OR Teaching Excellence Award (2020), INFORMS Best Student Poster Competition (2017, 2018), INFORMS George Nicholson Prize Committee (2015, 2016), INFORMS Junior Faculty Interest Group Paper Competition (2014)

- Proposal Review: Department of Energy, National Science Foundation, Air Force Office of Scientific Research
- Advisory Board Member of iCREST: Interdisciplinary Center for Research Excellence in Science and Technology (Bioinformatics and Computational Biology), 2011–2014
- Elected Vice Chair for Networks, INFORMS Optimization Society, 2011–2013
- o Mentor, Oklahoma Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation, 2008-2009, 2017

Professional Memberships

- Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences (INFORMS)
- Mathematical Optimization Society (MOS)
- Institute of Industrial and Systems Engineers (IISE)
- Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM)

Selected Presentations

- o "Club interdicton." 2022 INFORMS Computing Society Conference, January 23–25, 2022, Tampa, FI
- "Robust low-diameter subgraphs." 2019 INFORMS ALIO International Conference, June 9–12, 2019, Cancún. Mexico.
- "An upper-bounding technique for the maximum quasi-clique problem." 2018 INFORMS Optimization Society Meeting, March 23–25, 2018, Denver, CO.
- "A lazy approach to finding low-diameter clusters in graphs." Seminar Series, Department of Industrial and Manufacturing Systems Engineering, February 7, 2018, Kansas State University, Manhattan KS.
- "The maximum quasi-clique problem." 2017 Global Optimization Conference GOC 2017, March 30–April 1, 2017, College Station, TX.
- "Recent developments in detecting low-diameter clusters in graphs." Seminar Series, Department of Industrial Engineering, October 6, 2016, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA.
- "Cliques & clubs." Seminar Series, Department of Industrial & Systems Engineering, September 11, 2015, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX.
- "On the 2-club polytope of graphs." 22nd International Symposium on Mathematical Programming (ISMP), July 12–17, 2015, Pittsburgh, PA.