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Curriculum Vitae

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Education

- 2008 - 2013 **Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering: Systems**, Univ of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.
Dissertation title: Optimization & Model-Predictive Control for Overload Mitigation in Resilient Power Systems
Area of study: Power Systems, Optimization, Predictive control
Advisor: Vennema Professor Ian A. Hiskens
- 2008-2010 **M.S. in Electrical Engineering: Systems**, Univ of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.
Major: Control Theory **Minor:** Mathematics
- 2003-2008 **B.S. in Electrical Engineering**, Univ of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH.
Dual Degree: Applied Mathematics
Graduated Summa Cum Laude.

Professional Appointments

Academia

- 2022 - present **L. Richard Fisher Professor of Electrical Engineering**, Univ. of Vermont, Burlington, VT.
- 2021 - present **Associate Professor**, *Electrical Engineering*, Univ. of Vermont, Burlington, VT.
◦ **Director of CORE (Control and Optimization of Resilient Energy) Systems Laboratory**
- **Research themes:** optimization & control for resilience and distributed energy systems integration
- 2024 - present **Co-Director**, *CREATE: Center for Resilient Energy and Autonomous Technologies in Engineering*, Univ. of Vermont, Burlington, VT.
◦ Support 40+ full-time graduate and faculty researchers to scale the impact of their R&D.
- 2021 - present **Gund Fellow**, *Gund Institute for the Environment*, Univ. of Vermont, Burlington, VT.
- 2019 - 2024 **Founding Director**, *VECTORS: Vermont's center for sustainable and resilient systems*, Univ of Vermont, Burlington, VT.
◦ Lead and coordinate faculty efforts across the college to sustain and strengthen funded research and industry opportunities in the area of power and energy systems.
◦ Recruiting and mentoring of junior faculty.
- 2021 - 2022 **Otto Mønsted Visiting Professor**, *Center for Electric Power & Energy*, Technical University of Denmark, Denmark.
◦ Funded professorship during my sabbatical at DTU Wind and Energy Systems (WES) and Aalborg University (AAU) Department of Electronic Systems.
- 2014 - 2021 **Assistant Professor**, *Electrical Engineering*, Univ. of Vermont, Burlington, VT.
- 2009-2013 **Graduate Student Research Assistant**, *MPEL*, Univ. of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.
Advisor: Professor Ian A. Hiskens
◦ Studied optimization-based control for resilient energy systems with applications to transmission networks and energy storage. Supported by DOE (ARRA) and ARPA-E (GENI) funding.
◦ Developed suitable convex power systems models within a bi-level predictive control scheme to mitigate effects of cascading failures in electric networks with renewables and energy storage.
◦ Advanced the optimization of multi-energy systems (MES) within context of energy hubs.
- 2008-2009 **Graduate Student Fellow**, *MADCL*, Univ of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.
Supervisor: Professor Domitilla Del Vecchio
◦ Collaborated with group members on NSF-sponsored project on safety in a semi-autonomous systems by developing probabilistic human behavior models for the design of control algorithms.

Government

- 2025 - present **Grid Architect (Consultant)**, *NYSERDA*, New York, NY.
◦ Support NY State Department of Public Service (DPS) vision for the Grid of the Future (GOTF) proceedings.
◦ Collaborate across policy, technology, utility sectors to develop Phase 4 of GOTF for meaningful field demonstrations of flexible distributed energy resources (DERs).
◦ Design scalable grid control architectures for integrating DERs that increases affordability and resilience.

- 2021 - present **Chief Scientist**, *Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL)*, Richland, WA.
- o Joint appointment in the Optimization and Control group within Electricity Infrastructure and Buildings Division in the Energy and Environment Directorate.
 - o My responsibilities include proposing, leading, and supporting funded R&D&D projects with the U.S. Department of Energy and power/energy industry.

Industry

- 2026 – present **Technical Advisory Council member**, *Rivian*, Irvine, California.
- o Provide strategic and technical guidance by shaping bidirectional residential charging methods, reviewing outputs, identifying strengths and market pathways, and promoting partnerships, tech-transfer, and stakeholder engagement.
- 2024 – 2025 **Scientific Advisor (Consultant)**, *TotalEnergies*, Paris, France.
- o Provide technical feedback on quarterly reviews for industry-funded R&D projects related to the field of power and energy systems, including advanced distribution system operations as well as start-ups and technology incubators.
- 2022 – 2025 **Co-founder**, *Fair & Fornuftig (FoF)*, Copenhagen, Denmark.
- o Leveraged my position of privilege, as a professor/academic, to coordinate and promote sensible and actionable immigration reform in Denmark during my sabbatical. These efforts led to multiple op-eds in major Danish media outlets, including a government brief on Family Reunification and in RAESON.dk.
 - o Recipient of the Copenhagen Goodwill Ambassador Award in 2022 for FoF's role in broadening conversation about immigration policies in Denmark.
 - o Danish Government passed new laws on family reunification in 2024.
- 2016 – 2023 **Co-founder**, *Packetized Energy*, Burlington, VT.
- o Spun out company after ARPA-E NODES award
 - o Working with technical and business team to develop technology partnerships with manufacturers to scale capability, deployment, and business models.
 - o Representing company at investor and tech events and support fund raising.
 - o Leading federal collaboration efforts directly resulting in >\$1M in DOE awards:
 - 2020-2022: Co-PI. ARPA-E PERFORM (sub: \$420,000). Lead: NREL.
 - 2020-2022: Co-PI. EERE/BTO BENEFIT (sub: \$100,000). Lead: Northeastern University.
 - o Entire company and technology stack acquired by largest DR provider in the U.S., EnergyHub, to give our technology access to over 1,000,000 devices.
- 2011 – 2014 **Lead Systems Engineer**, *Root3 Technologies*, Chicago, IL.
- o Developed predictive energy analytics algorithms for SaaS platform for large C&I energy consumers.
 - o Develop engineering analysis tools for economic viability studies of cogeneration, PV solar, and thermal storage systems.
 - o Led development of energy asset plant models that are amenable to efficient optimization.
 - o Worked closely with software team to deploy optimization algorithms and develop UI/UX.
- 2005–2008 **Junior Technical Associate**, *Etegent Technologies*, Norwood, OH.
- o Collaborated with managers on NIH and DOD projects and SBIR proposals resulting in >\$1M in awards.

List of Peer-Reviewed, Archived Publications

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Publications Under Review

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- [5] **Daniel Russell**, D. Hamilton, M. R. Almassalkhi, and H. R. Ossareh, “Improved voltage regulation with optimal design of decentralized volt-var control,” arXiv:2510.14834, 2025.
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- [8] **Omid Mokhtari**, S. Chevalier, and M. Almassalkhi, “Optimal Kron-based Reduction of Networks (Opti-KRON) for Three-phase Distribution Feeders,” arXiv:2510.19608, 2025.
- [9] **Omid Mokhtari**, S. Chevalier, and M. R. Almassalkhi, “Structure-preserving Optimal Kron-based Reduction of Radial Distribution Networks,” 2025.
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- [4] **Mazen Elsaadany**, M. R. Almassalkhi, and S. H. Tindemans, “Linear aggregate model for realizable dispatch of homogeneous energy storage,” *IEEE Control Systems Letters (also accepted for presentation at IEEE CDC 2025)*, 2025. DOI: 10.1109/LCSYS.2025.3581879.
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Intellectual Property (IP) - Patents / Inventions / Disclosures

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Externally Funded Projects (Total funding as PI > \$11M)

- 2026-2028 **Co-PI (PI: VELCO), DOE OE, \$250,000.**
 - **Title:** MAPLE ROOT
 - **Goal:** Develop methods for real-time dynamic operating envelopes within a model-based adaptive platform environment that enhances operator trust.
 - **Collaborators:** PNNL, VEC, and VELCO.
- 2025-2026 **PI, Northwest Arctic Borough (NAB), \$180,000.**
 - **Title:** Energy transition assessment in remote Arctic Indigenous communities
 - **Goal:** Develop a comprehensive techno-economic, environmental, and social (TEES) impact assessment framework to evaluate different energy transition strategies in North Arctic Borough communities.
 - **Collaborators:** AVEC, NAB, and ACEP
- 2024-2025 **Co-I (PI: VELCO), DOE OE, \$587,000.**
 - **Title:** MAPLE BRANCH
 - **Goal:** Develop and implemented methods for DER-based volt-VAr optimization.
 - **Collaborators:** PNNL, VEC, and VELCO.
- 2024-2026 **Co-PI (PI: UCONN), DOE NETL, \$287,500.**
 - **Title:** CyberCARED: Northeast University Cybersecurity Center for Advanced and Resilient Energy Delivery
 - **Goal:** development of innovative technologies and defense systems, as well as education and training programs for the energy-sector workforce.
 - **Collaborators:** UCONN and many other universities in Northeastern US.
- 2023-2024 **Co-I (PI: Energy Cluster, Denmark), Danish Government, \$100,000.**
 - **Title:** Cross-Atlantic Network on System Integration (CANSI)
 - **Goal:** The aim of CANSI is to develop a set of international workshops and papers that deepen the already-established collaboration between DK and US partners while investigating, evaluating, and mapping out some of the challenges for a large-scale expansion of renewable generation.

- **Collaborators:** Numerous US-based colleagues and Danish universities (DTU and AAU).

2023–2026 **Co-PI (PI: Jeff Marshall), DOE EERE, \$4,300,000.**

(terminated by DOE in 2025)

- **Title:** Enabling Place-Based Power Generation using Community Energysched Design
- **Goal:** The project goal is to develop the tools and processes to help community stakeholders evaluate the economic, environmental, and social trade-offs of energysched characteristics to enable a more just and resilient transition to distributed renewable energy generation.
- **Collaborators:** Numerous UVM colleagues and Vermont industry partners and DOE labs (PNNL, NREL, and Sandia).

2023–2027 **PI, DOE EERE/SETO, \$4,000,000.**

- **Title:** Hybrid Energy System Platform for Cold Weather Climates
- **Goal:** This project will enable a holistic techno-economic analysis of hybrid energy systems (HESs) in cold weather climates. The project's outcomes will be (1) advanced modeling, control, and optimization tools for HESs across a range of temperatures and timescales suitable for operation and planning; (2) testing of these new tools in a new accelerated testing laboratory (ATL) at UVM for hardware-enabled validation and data analysis and; (3) field validation of the tools at a new Hybrid Solar Test Center (HSTC) in Burlington, Vermont.
- **Collaborators:** VEIC (techno-economic analysis) and CleanPowerResearch (forecasting)

2022–2024 **Co-I (PI: Bindu Panikkar), Sloan Foundation, \$500,000.**

- **Title:** Integrated renewable energy community microgrid transitions in remote rural and Indigenous communities in Alaska
- **Goal:** Study rural energy communities in Alaska and the role of coordination/control architectures in enabling equitable electrification and renewable energy transition.
- **Collaborators:** ACEP at Uni. of Alaska - Fairbanks

2022–2025 **PI, PNNL/DOE, \$600,000.**

- **Title:** Coordinated Distributed Assets to Provide System Flexibility
- **Goal:** Advance how transmission system operations can indirectly leverage distributed assets for improved grid reliability.
- **Collaborators:** PNNL (data, simulations) and VELCO (grid data, practice)

2021–2026 **PI, NSF CAREER (EPCN), \$500,000.**

- **Title:** Enabling grid-aware aggregation and real-time control of distributed energy resources in electric power distribution systems
- **Goal:** Intellectual: overcomes asymmetry of information and control between grid operator and DER aggregator using convex inner approximations of the distribution OPF to form dynamic hosting capacities and real-time grid-aware control of DERs. Broader: Positions the field of power systems as climate change mitigation technology to builds curriculum around climate change for STEM and non-STEM students using gamification.
- **Collaborators:** PNNL (learning) and ConEdison (grid data)

2020–2023 **Co-PI, NASA EPSCoR, \$750,000, (UVM Lead; Dr. Hamid Ossareh).**

- **Title:** New Unified Framework for Scalable, Risk-Aware, and Resilient Estimation and Control of Satellite Swarms
- **Goal:** Develop control and optimization algorithms to coordinate a swarm of small satellites.
- **Partners:** Benchmark Space Systems, Swarm, JPL.

2020–2022 **Co-PI (w/ Packetized Energy), DOE/BTO BENEFIT, \$2,200,000 (PE sub of \$125,000).**

- **Title:** Grid-interactive Efficient Building Equipment Performance Dataset.
- **Goal:** Develop occupant-centric control algorithms that produce grid services from heat pumps.
- **Partners:** Northeastern University (Lead; Dr. Michael Kane), NREL, ecobee.

2020–2022 **Co-PI (w/ Packetized Energy), ARPA-E PERFORM, \$3,408,526 (PE sub of \$420,000).**

- **Title:** An Integrated Paradigm for the Management of Delivery Risk in Electricity Markets: From Batteries to Insurance and Beyond.
- **Goal:** Technology to mitigate effects of uncertainty in DER aggregations for market participation
- **Partners:** NREL (Lead; Dr. Elina Spyrou), EPRI, JHU, kWh Analytics.

2017-2020 **PI, DOE EERE ENERGISE, \$2,500,000.**

- **Title:** Robust and resilient coordination of feeders with uncertain distributed energy resources: from real-time control to long-term planning
 - **Goal:** Adapt wide-area control concepts to advanced distribution system operation to enable extreme solar PV penetration by optimizing control of energy-constrained DERs.
 - **Partners:** JHU, PNNL, NIST, ConEdison of NY, Orange & Rockland Utility
 - **Key project outcomes:**
 - Developed multi-timescale Grid+DER techno-economic optimization platform
- 2017-2020 **Co-PI, Vermont Electric Company (VELCO), \$297,000, (UVM Lead: Paul Hines).**
- **Title:** Stochastic Receding Horizon Optimal Power Flow Given High-resolution Weather Forecasts
 - **Goal:** Demonstrate and validate how VT RPS affect transmission system reliability.
 - **Partners:** VELCO
- 2016-2023 **PI, ARPA-E NODES, \$3,900,000.**
- **Title:** Packetized Energy Management: Coordinating Transmission and Distribution.
 - **Goal:** Develop technology to mitigate effects of DER uncertainty in aggregation and market participation
 - **Partners:** FIU, Packetized Energy, Green Mountain Power, VELCO, and NIST
 - **Key project outcomes:**
 - Co-founded and spun out company (*Packetized Energy*) to commercialize technology;
 - Successfully completed field demonstration of technology involving more than 150 VT homes.
 - Developed cyber-physical platform for real-time validation of DER coordination schemes;
 - Established & sustained an Industrial Advisory Board of more than 20 companies
 - Secured two years and \$1.5M in follow-on funding in 2019 and another \$500k in 2021.
- 2016-2017 **Co-I, UVM-GMP Industrial Partnership, \$161,480, (UVM Lead: Paul Hines).**
- **Title:** From Big Data to Actionable Insight: Using Smart Grid Data to Identify Geographic Locations for Targeted Investment
 - **Goal:** Build software and analytics tools to conduct hosting capacity with solar PV and battery storage.
 - **Partners:** Green Mountain Power (GMP)

Internally-funded Projects

- 2022–2024 **Co-PI (PI: Bindu Panikkar), UVM's Gund Institute for Environment, \$200,000.**
- **Title:** Integrated renewable energy community microgrid transitions in remote rural and Indigenous communities in Alaska
 - **Goal:** Study rural energy communities in Alaska and the role of coordination/control architectures in enabling equitable electrification and renewable energy transition.
 - **Collaborators:** ACEP (data) and REAP (data)
 - **Follow-on funding:** Sloan Foundation funded a \$500k expanded version of this project.

Awards & Recognition

University of Vermont

- IEEE Green Mountain Section (GMS) Engineer of the Year, 2023
- Copenhagen Goodwill Ambassador (Co-recipient), 2022
- L. Richard Fisher Professorship in Electrical Engineering, 2022
- First UVM Startup Acquired Award, 2022
- Otto Mønsted Visiting Professorship, 2022
- National Science Foundation CAREER Award, 2021
- UVM Innovation Hall of Fame Award (for licensing IP), 2019
- IEEE GMS Faculty of the Year Award, 2019
- IEEE GMS PES Chapter Outstanding Young Engineer of the Year Award, 2019
- UVM College of Engineering and Mathematical Sciences Junior Faculty of the Year, 2016
- IEEE GMS PES Chapter Outstanding Young Engineer of the Year Award, 2015
- Nominated for the UVM Kroepsch-Maurice Excellence in Teaching Award, 2015

University of Michigan

- The Towner Prize for Distinguished Academic Achievement, 2013

- o CoE Graduate Symposium, 1st place in poster session, 2011
- o National Science Foundation GRFP Top Honorable Mention, 2009
- o Rackham Merit Fellow, 2008-2013

University of Cincinnati

- o Jeanne Gulden Co-recipient (Top Department of Mathematics Award), 2008
- o National Tau Beta Pi Record Scholar, 2007
- o Alumni Foundation College of Engineering Scholar, 2007
- o Engineering Alumni Scholar, 2007
- o Hancock Scholarship Recipient, 2007
- o Hancock and Kieval Scholarships Recipient, 2006
- o Buck and Kieval Scholarships Recipient, 2005
- o Cincinnatus Scholar, 2003-2008

Professional Affiliations and Overviews

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| Since 2007 | Senior IEEE Member , <i>IEEE</i> , Control System (CSS) and Power & Energy (PES) Societies. |
| Since 2006 | Lifetime Member , <i>Tau Beta Pi</i> , U.S. national engineering honor society. |
| 2019-2021 | INFORMS Member , <i>INFORMS</i> , Energy, Natural Resources, & the Environment Section (ENRE). |

Research Overview

- o **Lead externally funded research program in excess of \$10M as PI.**
 - Led team of more than 20 researchers across industry, national labs, and universities.
 - Past funders include: DOE/ARPA-E, EERE/SETO, NSF, and electricity industry partners.
 - Research translated to startup company, Packetized Energy, licensed IP, and software products.
- o **Current CORE student members:**
 1. 2022 - present - PhD EE: Mazen Elsaadany – Modeling and optimization of DERs
 2. 2023 - present - PhD EE: Arash Omid – Battery and inverter modeling and control
 3. 2023 - present - PhD EE: Beyzanur Aydin – DER hosting capacity
 4. 2023 - present - PhD EE: Eric Segerstrom – Transmission system modeling
 5. 2023 - present - PhD EE: Omid Mokhtari (Co-advised w/ Prof. Chevalier) – Network reduction
 6. 2024 - present - PhD EE: Joao Pereira – Volt-var optimization (VVO)
 7. 2024 - present - PhD EE: Muhammad Hassan – DER coordination
 8. 2024 - present - PhD EE: Dan Russell (Co-advised w/ Prof. Ossareh) – Network control

◦ **CORE alumni**

- 2019-23: PhD EE: Dr. H. Mavalizadeh – Grid reliability with coordination of DERs (Senior Consultant at Guidehouse in Boston, MA)
- 2017-21: PhD EE: Dr. A. Khurram – Modeling and control of Aggregated DERs. (Assistant Research Scientist at UCSD in San Diego, CA)
- 2017-20: PhD EE: Dr. N. Nazir – Optimization of energy-constrained DERs in distr. networks (Research Engineer at PNNL in Richmond, WA)
- 2014-19: PhD EE: Dr. M. Amini – Optimal dispatch of uncertain energy resources (Manager of Market Analytics at National Grid in Boston, MA)
- 2022 - 2024 - MS EE: Waheed Owonikoko – Adaptive load control for transmission systems (Employed at eTAP in CA)
- 2018-19: MS ME: Mr. Zach Hurwitz – Multi-energy system with flexible buildings (Employed at Siemens in Scarborough, ME)
- 2017-19: MS EE: Mr. Micah Botkin-Levy – Optimal control of EV charging (Senior Modeling Engineer at Form Energy in San Francisco, CA)
- 2015-17: MS EE: Mr. Lincoln Sprague – Distribution feeder modeling and inverters (Lead Compliance Engineer at Dynapower in South Burlington, VT)
- 2023 - 2025 - BS EE:: Emily Ninestein – Carbon-aware EV charging
- 2021 - 2024 - BS EE: Rebecca Holt – Dynamic and equitable solar PV curtailment
- 2023 - 2024 - BS EE: Kendall Meienhofer – Energy storage modeling
- 2020 - 2021 - BS EE: Mr. Sam Knox – Distribution Substation Transformer Thermal Modeling.
- 2016: BS EE: Ms. Anna Towle – Multi-energy systems optimization (MS EE from KTH, Sweden. Employed at Fortum in Sweden)

◦ **Post-doctoral and research scientist alumni in CORE Systems Lab**

10. 2024 - present - Res. Associate: Dr. Jayashree Yadav – Techno-economic-environment-social framework for rural and remote energy communities: flexibility
11. 2023 - present - Res. Associate: Dr. Dakota Hamilton – Integrating grid data to inform modeling and optimization in resilient distribution systems.
12. 2023 - present - Res. Associate: Dr. Tanmay Mishra – Predictive modeling, optimization, and control of hybrid energy systems.
 - 2020 - 2022 - Post-doc: Dr. Himadri Basu (Jointly advised with Prof. Hamid Ossareh) – Optimal trajectory assignment and collision avoidance in satellite swarms
 - 2021: Post-doc: Dr. Nawaf Nazir – Grid-aware flexibility from DERs (Pacific Northwest National Lab)
 - 2017-20: Res. Faculty: Dr. Pavan Rancherla – Three-phase distribution system modeling (Independent Power Systems Consultant)
 - 2016-19: Res. Faculty: Dr. Luis Duffault Espinosa – Modeling and control of DERs (Employed at UVM as TT faculty)

Teaching Overview (rigorous courses in power systems, controls, optimization)

- Spring 2026: *EE 6130 - Convex Optimization* (3 hrs, 16 students, I.P.)
- Fall 2025: *EE 6110 - System Theory* (3 hrs, 16 students, 3.3/5.0)
- Fall 2024: *EE 3315 - Electric Energy Conversion* (4 hrs, 13 students, 4.5/5)
- Spring 2024: *EE 6130 - Convex Optimization* (3 hrs, 13 students, 4.7/5)
- Fall 2023: *EE 3315 - Electric Energy Conversion* (4 hrs, 10 students, N/A)
- Spring 2023: *EE 021 - Circuits II* (4 hrs, 18 students, 4.8/5.0)
- Fall 2022: *EE 113 - Electric Energy Conversion* (4 hrs, 28 students, 4.2/5)
- Fall 2022: *EE 303 - Convex Optimization* (3 hrs, 6 students, 4.7/5)
- Spring 2021: *EE 303 - Convex Optimization* (3 hrs, 11 students, 4.8/5)
- Fall 2020: *EE 215 - Power System Analysis* (3 hrs, 12 students, 4.1/5)
- Spring 2020: *EE 113 - Electric Energy Conversion* (4 hrs, 25 students, 3.8/5.0)
- Fall 2019: *EE 301 - Linear System Theory* (3 hrs, 19 students, 4.4/5.0)
- Spring 2019: *EE 113 - Electric Energy Conversion* (4 hrs, 27 students, 4.1/5.0)
- Fall 2018: *EE 395 - Convex Optimization* (3 hrs, 19 students, 4.1/5.0)
- Spring 2018: *EE 113 - Electric Energy Conversion* (4 hrs, 18 students, 4.0/5.0)
- Fall 2017: *EE 301 - Linear System Theory* (3 hrs, 21 students, 4.3/5.0)
- Spring 2017: *EE 395 - Convex Optimization* (3 hrs, 17 students, 4.4/5.0)
- Fall 2016: *EE 215 - Power System Analysis* (3 hrs, 11 students, 4.6/5.0)

- o Spring 2016: *EE/ME 210 - Control Systems* (3 hrs, 37 students, 4.6/5.0)
- o Fall 2015: *EE 301 - Linear System Theory* (3 hrs, 20 students, 4.5/5.0)
- o Spring 2015: *EE 113 - Electric Energy Conversion* (4 hrs, 10 students, 4.9/5.0)
- o Fall 2014: *EE 215 - Power System Analysis* (3 hrs, 16 students, 4.3/5.0)

Service Overview

- 2022-present **Associate Editor**, *IEEE Transactions on Power Systems*.
- 2023-present **Chair**, *Technical Committee on Energy Systems (TC-ES)*, IEEE Control System Society (CSS).
Successfully established Outstanding Student Paper Prize
Led TC-ES participation in 2024 IEEE Controls Day
Co-organized Technical Workshop with Industry, Power, and Control communities (Dec 2025)
- 2020-21,22-present **Graduate Program Director (EE)**, *Department of Electrical and Biomedical Engineering*, UVM,
Led revamp of EE graduate recruitment resulting in record enrollment..
- 2018-present **Member**, IEEE PES Smart Buildings, Loads, and Customer Systems.
- 2019-2021 **Chair**, *Loads Subcommittee*, IEEE PES Smart Buildings, Loads, and Customer Systems (SBLC),
Successfully conducted SBLC's first IEEE Standards process.
Organized and led SBLC's response for IEEE PES Trending Tech topic on Intelligent Electrification
- 2018-2021 **Vice-Chair**, *IEEE PES Green Mountain Section*, Vermont, USA.
- 2018-2020 **Founding Vice-Chair**, *IEEE CSS Green Mountain Section*, Vermont, USA.
- 2017-2021 **Faculty Advisor**, *Tau Beta Pi - Alpha Chapter*, Vermont, USA.

External Committee Member

- o PhD Thesis (Committee member) - ETH Zürich, Switzerland (2026)
 - Candidate: Katharina Kaiser
 - Advisor: Prof. Gabriela Hug
 - Title: *Algorithms for reducing power peaks in low-voltage grids*
- o PhD Thesis (External Examiner) - Australian National University, Australia (2025)
- o PhD Thesis (External Examiner) - National Technological University, Singapore (2025)
- o PhD Thesis (Committee member) - Technical University of Denmark (DTU), Denmark (2025)
 - Candidate: Eléa Prat
 - Advisor: Profs. Pierre Pinson and David Pisinger
 - Title: *Market-based scheduling of energy storage systems: optimality guarantees*
- o BSc Sust. Energy Design (Committee Member) - Technical University of Denmark, Denmark (2024)
- o PhD Thesis (Committee member) - University of Michigan, USA (2024)
 - Candidate: Oluwagbemileke (Leke) Oyefeso
 - Advisor: Prof. Johanna Mathieu
 - Title: *Modeling and Control of Electric Loads for Ancillary Services and Decarbonization*
- o PhD Thesis (Committee member) - Polytechnique Montréal, Canada (2023)
 - Candidate: Mohamad Aziz
 - Advisor: Profs. Hanane Dagdougui and Issmail El Hallaoui
 - Title: *Decentralized Game Theoretical Investigation for the Residential Microgrid Power Network Problem*
- o PhD Thesis (Committee member) - ETH Zürich, Switzerland (2023)
 - Candidate: Johanna Vorwerk
 - Advisor: Prof. Gabriela Hug
 - Title: *Integration of fast demand response into renewable power systems*
- o PhD Thesis (External reviewer) - Australian National University, Australia (2022)
- o PhD Thesis (External reviewer) - University of Melbourne, Australia (2020)
- o MS Thesis (Committee member) - Michigan Technological University, USA (2018)
 - Candidate: Sharabh Shukla
 - Advisor: Prof. Sumit Paudyal
 - Title: *Mixed Integer Conic Programming Formulation of Distribution Optimal Power Flow and Unit Commitment Problems*

Funding Agency NSF EPCN (2015, 2016, 2021, 2025), NSF AccelNet (2024), Sloan Foundation (2018), NSF ESPCoR RII Track 2 (2020), Swiss NSF (BRIDGE 2021), Luxembourg FNR (CORE 2023, CORE 2024, PRIDE 2024).

- Reviewer - Journals:
- Regularly:
- o *IEEE Transactions on Power Systems (IF=6.8)
 - o *IEEE Transactions on Smart Grid (IF=10.5)
 - o *IEEE Transactions on Control Systems Technology (IF=4.9)
- Sporadically:
- o *IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control (IF=5.1)
 - o *Sustainable Energy, Grids and Networks (SEGAN; IF=4.8)
 - o IEEE Transactions on Sustainable Energy (IF=6.2)
 - o IEEE Access (IF=4.1)
 - o IEEE Open Journal of Control Systems (OJ-CSYS) - Special issue: Control and Monitoring of Next-Gen Urban Infrastructure.
 - o International Journal of Electrical Power & Energy Systems (IF=4.4)
 - o Electric Power Systems Research (IF=3.2)
 - o *Applied Energy (IF=8.6)
- (* flagship journal in respective field)

- Reviewer - Conferences:
- o *Power Systems Computation Conference (PSCC): 2011-present
 - o *IEEE Conference on Decision and Control (CDC): 2013-present
 - o International Institute for Research and Education in Power System Dynamics (IREP) 2022-present
 - o *American Control Conference (ACC): 2014-present
 - o IEEE Power & Energy Society General Meeting (PESGM): 2017-present [as TPC 2019-present]
 - o IEEE SmartGridComm (SGC): 2017-18 [as TPC in 2018]
 - o Sporadically: ISMA (2018), IEEE CCTA (2018, 2021), *COMPEL (2020)
- (* flagship conference in respective field)

- Workshops organized
- o Co-organizer of UVM-NIST Workshop on Smart Grid Testbeds (April, 2019, > 40 participants)
 - o Co-organizer of UVM's Future of Energy Workshop (Sept. 2018; > 90 participants)

- Panels organized or chaired
- o CISS 2023 - Chaired session *Optimization & Control of Networked DERs* (Mar, 2023)
 - o IEEE PES T&D 2022 - organized session on *Network-aware DER coordination* (Apr., 2022)
 - o INFORMS 2020 - organized session on *Optimization of Networked Energy Resources* (Nov, 2020)
 - o IEEE PES GM 2020 - organized and co-chaired panel: SBLC: BTM DER coordination (Aug, 2020)
 - o IEEE PES GMS - organized virtual panel on *Effects of COVID-19 on the Electric Grid* (May, 2020)
 - o IEEE PES GM 2019 - organized and chaired three panels: (1) AMPS: Unbalanced OPF, (2) SBLC: DER architectures, and (3) PSOP: DER optimization and control (Aug, 2019)
 - o IEEE CDC 2019 - Co-chair of session on *Energy Systems*
 - o ACC 2017 - Chair of session on *Scalable Networked Control for Smart Grid Ancillary Services*

Participation in conferences, workshops, and seminars

- May 2011 **Workshop on Dynamics, Control and Pricing in Power Systems**, Lund, Sweden, Invited Scholar.
Spent three weeks at Lund University performing research, collaborating with faculty and other PhD students from around the world, gave a seminar (*Cascade Mitigation in Energy Hub Networks*), and attended workshop.
- Aug 2011 **INFORMS Midwestern Conference**, Columbus, Ohio, USA, Invited Speaker.
Presented parts of two papers: *Optimization Framework for the Analysis of Large-scale Networks of Energy Hubs* and *Cascade Mitigation in Energy Hub Networks*.
- Aug 2011 **Power Systems Computation Conference**, Stockholm, Sweden, Speaker.
Presented full paper *Optimization Framework for the Analysis of Large-scale Networks of Energy Hubs*.
- Sep 2011 **Energy Club Conference**, University of Michigan, USA, Poster.
Cascade Mitigation in Multi-Energy Systems.
- Oct 2011 **Symposium on Emerging Topics in Control and Modeling of Cyber-Physical Systems**, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, USA, Poster.
Incentive-based Coordinated Charging Control of Plug-in Electric Vehicles at the Distribution-Transformer Level
- Nov 2011 **College of Engineering Graduate Symposium**, University of Michigan, USA, Poster.
Incentive-based Coordinated Charging Control of Plug-in Electric Vehicles at the Distribution-Transformer Level (**Placed 1st in Power and Control session**)

- Mar 2012 **Conference on the Electricity Industry**, *Carnegie Mellon University*, USA, Poster.
Robust Incentive-based Coordinated Charging Control of Plug-in Electric Vehicles at the Distribution-Transformer Level
- May 2012 **CNLS Annual Conference: Smart Grid**, *Los Alamos National Lab*, USA, Invited Speaker.
Model-predictive cascade mitigation in electric power systems with energy storage and renewable generation.
- June 2012 **IEEE American Control Conference**, *Montreal*, Canada, Speaker.
Co-presenter for paper on non-centralized Incentive-based MPC to solve PEV charging problem in a distribution-grid setting.
- July 2012 **IEEE PES General Meeting**, *San Diego*, USA, Invited Panel Speaker.
Presented paper on the effects of energy storage sizing on performance of a model-predictive cascade mitigation scheme in a transmission systems.
- Nov 2012 **College of Engineering Graduate Symposium**, *University of Michigan*, USA, Poster.
Model-predictive cascade mitigation in electric transmission networks with energy storage (**Placed 2nd in Energy session**)
- April 2013 **CEIC Seminar**, *Carnegie Mellon University*, Pittsburgh, USA, Invited Speaker.
Temperature-based Model-predictive cascade mitigation in electric power systems.
- Dec 2013 **Power Event**, *Technical University of Denmark*, Copenhagen, Denmark, Invited Speaker.
Linear model-predictive cascade mitigation in AC electric power systems with energy storage.
- Nov 2014 **Storage in Sustainable Electric Energy Systems: Technology Push and Policy Pull**, *McGill University*, Montreal, CA, Invited workshop attendee.
- July 2015 **The Governor's Institute of Vermont**, *STEMBridge*, Burlington, VT, Invited speaker.
Power and energy challenges in the 21st century
- Aug 2015 **LTU-IEEE Seminar**, *Webinar*, USA, Invited speaker.
Enabling resilient control of power systems with distributed energy storage
- Oct 2015 **IEEE International Conference on the Edges of Innovation for Smarter Cities**, *Burlington*, USA, Invited speaker.
Toward designing sustainable cities with energy hubs
- Dec 2015 **ECE Seminar**, *University of Connecticut*, Mansfield, CT, Invited speaker.
Enabling resilient control of power systems with distributed energy storage
- May 2016 **IMA Annual Program Year Workshop - Control at Large Scales: Energy Markets and Responsive Grids**, *University of Minnesota*, USA, Invited workshop attendee.
- Mar 2017 **UVIG Spring Technical Workshop**, *Tucson, AZ*, USA, Invited panelist.
Packetized Energy Management - A New Approach to DSM
- April 2017 **DOE panel at IEEE Innovative Smart Grid Technology Conference**, *Washington D.C.*, Invited panelist, Enabling Extreme Real-time Grid Integration of Solar Energy.
- June 2017 **Invited Seminar**, *Aalborg University*, Aalborg, Denmark, Invited Speaker.
Towards a digital grid with packetized energy management
- July 2017 **Invited Seminar**, *Denmark's Technical University*, Lyngby, Denmark, Invited Speaker.
Towards a digital grid with packetized energy management
- Aug 2017 **Autonomous Energy Grids Workshop**, *Golden, CO*, Invited workshop attendee.
- Sept 2017 **Rethinking Modeling, Simulations, and Control for the Changing Electric Energy Industry Workshop**, *MIT*, Boston, MA, Invited speaker.
Packetized Energy Management: a new platform for coordinating distributed energy resources
- Oct 2017 **ECE Seminar**, *Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute*, Troy, NY, Invited speaker.
- Feb 2018 **Engineering Seminar**, *Michigan Technological University*, Houghton, MI, Invited speaker.
Coordinating flexible energy resources with packetized energy management
- June 2018 **Lunch-and-Learn**, *Telefonica-Alpha*, Barcelona, Spain, Invited speaker.
Packetized Energy Management
- Aug 2018 **ESIF Seminar**, *NREL*, Golden, CO, Invited speaker.
Towards scalable integration of DERs to enable extreme penetration of renewable energy
- Aug 2018 **Lunch-and-Learn**, *Oersted*, Fredericia, Denmark, Invited speaker.
Packetized energy management

- Oct 2018 **University of Pennsylvania, Wharton Energy Conference**, Philadelphia, PA, Invited panelist.
Packetized energy management
- Nov 2018 **Trans-Atlantic Infraday Conference**, FERC, Washington, DC, Student presented.
Three-phase OPF software for economic dispatch of continuous and discrete control assets
- Feb 2019 **PRECISE Seminar**, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA, Invited speaker.
Real-Time, Scalable Coordination of Smart Appliances with Packetized Energy Management
- Mar 2019 **ECE/FEEDER Seminar**, University of Kentucky, USA, Invited speaker.
Real-Time, Scalable Coordination of Smart Appliances with Packetized Energy Management
- Mar 2019 **IEEE Conference on Information Sciences and Systems**, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD, Invited talk.
Towards 100% renewable generation with flexible demand: control & optimization
- Apr 2019 **Autonomous Energy Grids**, NREL, Golden, CO, Invited participant.
- Apr 2019 **Young Professionals Webinar**, IEEE PES, Online (Global audience), Invited speaker.
I'm an entrepreneurial electrical engineer (iEEE): from academia to startups
- May 2019 **SETO Planning & Operations Workshop**, DOE, Washington, DC, Invited speaker.
Robust and resilient coordination of feeders with uncertain distributed energy resources
- May 2019 **Distribution System State Estimation Workshop**, DOE/Northeastern University, Boston, MA, Invited participant.
- Jun 2019 **ARPA-E PERFORM Pre-program workshop**, DOE, New York, NY, Invited participant.
- Aug 2019 **Panel on Enabling Advanced Grid Operations with DER coordination**, IEEE PES General Meeting, Atlanta, GA, Invited organizer and panelist.
- Oct 2019 **Challenges in Energy Systems Network Optimization Panel**, INFORMS Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA, Invited speaker.
Optimization-based Spatial Disaggregation of Virtual Batteries Over Power Networks
- Oct 2019 **Seminar**, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, Richland, WA, Invited speaker.
Towards flexible distribution systems
- Nov 2019 **Trans-Atlantic Infraday Conference**, FERC, Washington, DC, Student presented.
Enabling Real-time, Network-admissible Disaggregation of Market Services with Convex Inner Approximations
- Nov 2019 **Symposium on Machine Learning, Optimization and Security for Future Energy Delivery Systems**, IEEE GlobalSIP, Ottawa, Canada, Invited speaker.
Enabling Real-time, Network-admissible Disaggregation of Market Services with Convex Inner Approximations
- Feb 2020 **IPAM Workshop on Learning, Control, and Optimization**, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA, Participant.
- Feb 2020 **Use of AI to Optimize Behind-the-Meter Resources**, IEEE Innovative Smart Grid Technology Conference, Washington D.C., Invited panelist (student presented in my place).
Innovative methods in coordinating demand-side resources: From papers to practice
- Feb 2020 **EECS Seminar**, MIT, Boston, MA, Invited speaker.
Unlocking demand-side flexibility with grid optimization and control
- May 2020 **Virtual Roundtable on Smart Energy Services**, Consumer Technology Association, Webinar, Invited Panelist.
Experiences and recommendations for smart energy standards
- June 2020 **Solar & Storage Group**, National Grid, Online, Invited Speaker.
Flexible Hosting Capacity
- Aug 2020 **Grid Modernization & Resilience with Energy Storage**, NY BEST Annual Conference, Online, Invited Panelist.
Dynamic Hosting Capacity
- Aug 2020 **Architecture for DER Integration**, IEEE PES General Meeting, Online, Invited Panelist and Speaker.
Utility and Aggregator interactions to support large-scale DER integration
- Aug 2020 **Optimal Power Flow Methods for Realistic Power Distribution Networks**, IEEE PES General Meeting, Online, Invited Panelist and Speaker.
Real-time Control Methods for Balanced Power Distribution Systems

- Aug 2020 **Emerging issues on market-based coordination and control of BTM DERs**, *IEEE PES General Meeting*, Online, Invited Panelist and Speaker.
Towards Decentralized Frequency Control with Packet-based Energy Coordination
- Nov 2020 **Market Models and Optimization in Active Distribution Networks**, *INFORMS Annual Meeting*, Washington, DC, Invited Speaker.
To be or not to be a Utility: Allocating Flexible Resources Across a Network for Different Market Signals
- Feb 2021 **ECE Seminar**, *New York University*, Virtual, Invited Speaker.
Towards scalable integration of distributed energy resources with packetized energy management
- Mar 2021 **Gund Institute for Environment Seminar**, *UVM*, Virtual, Invited Speaker.
Mitigating Climate Change with Power Engineering
- Apr 2021 **IEEE PES Day**, *IEEE PES US & Canada Students*, Virtual, Invited Speaker.
Engineering Innovation in Power and Energy Systems: from bulky MWs to nimble kW
- June 2021 **FERC**, *Technical Conference*, Virtual, Invited Panelist.
Climate Change, Extreme Weather, & Electric System Reliability
- June 2021 **Google**, *Virtual*, Invited Participant, Carbon Aware Computing Workshop.
- June 2021 **Innovation Centre**, *Denmark*, Virtual, Invited Speaker.
Towards large scale integration - energy islands and energy flexibility
- June 2021 **U.S. Department of Energy**, *Solar Energy Technologies Office*, Virtual, Invited Speaker.
ENabling Extreme Real-time Grid Integration of Solar Energy (ENERGISE) Program Final Workshop
- Sept 2021 **Denmark's Technical University**, *Center for Electric Power & Energy*, Lyngby, Denmark, Speaker.
Enabling flexible demand with distributed control of residential kW-scale devices
- Sept 2021 **Smart Energy Systems International Conference**, Copenhagen, Denmark, Speaker.
Exploring reactive power limits on wind farm collector networks with convex inner approximations
- Oct 2021 **INFORMS Annual Meeting**, Anaheim, CA, Invited speaker.
Guaranteeing a physically realizable battery dispatch without complementarity constraints
- Oct 2021 **INFORMS Annual Meeting**, Anaheim, CA, Invited speaker.
Grid-aware aggregation and realtime disaggregation of distributed energy resources in radial networks
- Dec 2021 **Digital Tech Summit**, Copenhagen, Denmark, Invited speaker.
New technologies, disruption and smart energy systems
- Jan 2022 **Young Professionals in Energy (Boston)**, *US-Denmark Green Transition*, Virtual, Invited speaker.
Flexing the grid with intelligent electrification
- Feb 2022 **Innovation Centre Denmark**, *Transmission-Distribution interfaces, markets, and flexibility*, Virtual, Invited speaker.
Indirect Control of Distributed Assets to provide System Flexibility
- Mar 2022 **Energinet seminar**, *Virtual*, Invited speaker, EV charging & internet ideas.
- Apr 2022 **IEEE PES T&D conference**, *New Orleans, LA*, Distribution Network-Aware Distributed Energy Resources Coordination., Co-chair.
- May 2022 **Aalborg University**, *Department of Electronic Systems*, Aalborg, Denmark, Invited speaker.
Enabling a responsive grid and flexibility at scale
- May 2022 **Denmark Technical University**, *Department of Sustainability, Society, and Economics*, Lyngby, Denmark, Invited speaker.
Enabling a responsive grid and flexibility at scale
- May 2022 **NSF Sponsored joint US-European workshop**, *Zagreb, CR*, Invited participant and Scribe.
Grid at the Edge: towards the zero-carbon power grid with improved visibility, safety and reliability
- May 2022 **University of Manchester**, *Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering*, Manchester, England, Invited speaker.
Enabling flexible demand with distributed control & optimization
- June 2022 **TU Dortmund**, *Institut für Energiesysteme, Energieeffizienz und Energiewirtschaft (ie³)*, Dortmund, Germany, Invited speaker.
Enabling flexible demand with distributed control & optimization

June 2022 **Innovation Centre Denmark, Virtual**, Co-organizer and moderator, Large-scale system integration.

July 2022 **IEEE PES General Meeting**, Research and Educational Experiences of NSF CAREER Awardees in Power Systems, Invited panelist.
Enabling grid-aware aggregation and real-time control of distributed energy resources in electric power distribution systems

July 2022 **IREF 2022 Symposium, Banff, CA**, Vice-Chair and presenter.
Session on microgrids and presenter of three accepted, co-authored papers

Oct 2022 **DOE Wind Energy Technologies Office, Washington, DC**, Deep-dive workshop between Department of Energy and the Danish Energy Agency, Invited attendee.
Transmission supporting broad-scale integration of Off-shore Wind

Oct 2022 **Renewable Energy Vermont Conference 2022, Burlington, VT**, Invited panelist.
Vermont Clean and Resilient Energy Consortium - Making Vermont a Leader in Renewable Energy Research

Oct 2022 **Renewable Energy Vermont Conference 2022, Burlington, VT**, Invited moderator.
The Future of Hydrogen in the Renewable Energy Landscape

Dec 2022 **IEEE Conference on Decision and Control, Cancun, MX**, Invited paper.
Towards Optimal Kron-based Reduction Of Networks (Opti-KRON) for the Electric Power Grid

Jan 2023 **2nd International Conference on Sustainable Technology and Advanced Computing in Electrical Engineering (ICSTACE), Sardar Vallabhbhai National Institute of Technology (SVNIT), Surat, Gujarat, India**, Keynote speaker.
Intelligent Electrification and Grid Optimization

Mar 2023 **Michigan Control Seminar, Ann Arbor, MI**, Invited seminar.
Enabling a responsive grid with distributed load control and optimization

Mar 2023 **IEEE Conference on information Sciences and Systems, Baltimore, MD**, Invited session organizer and speaker.
Distributed energy resource coordination across space and time: models, control, and networks

Mar 2023 **Gund Slam, Burlington, VT**, Invited Pitch.
Characterizing the efficiency of transitioning communities to clean energy

April 2023 **Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburg, PA**, Invited Speaker.
Innovative entrepreneurial electrical engineering (iE3): academia and startups

April 2023 **National Science Foundation, Philadelphia, PA**, Invited Speaker.
US-European Joint NSF Workshop on Flexible Electric Grid Critical Infrastructure for Resilient Society

May 2023 **Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston, MA**, Invited Seminar.
The Battle for Grid Flexibility: control architectures, information gaps, and grid optimization

May 2023 **University of Vermont, Burlington, VT**, Gund Institute for the Environment Research Slam.

Aug 2023 **ETH, Zürich, Switzerland**, Power Systems Laboratory, Invited seminar.
Enabling a responsive grid with distributed load control and optimization

Sep 2023 **SETO Workshop, Boston, MA**, Northeastern University, Attendee.
Distribution System Monitoring and Management

Nov 2023 **EEE Lecture Series, South Burlington, VT**, Education & Enrichment for Everyone (EEE), Speaker.
Enabling Renewable Energy Integration with Grid Flexibility

Nov 2023 **UVM Honors College, Burlington, VT**, CEMS 2010 Seminar, Speaker.
Intelligent Electrification and Grid Optimization

Dec 2023 **IEEE Conference on Decision and Control, Singapore**, Invited paper (student presented).
Battery Optimization for Power Systems: Feasibility and Optimality

Dec 2023 **NTU's Renewables' Integration & Microgrids Seminar, Singapore**, Invited talk.
Enabling a responsive grid with distributed load control & optimization

Feb 2024 **Champéry Power Conference, Champéry, Switzerland**, Speaker.
Pushing radial AC networks to their limits with convex inner approximations and DER control

May 2024 **Workshop for Cross-Atlantic network on system integration (CANSI): a US-Denmark Research Network (Part I), Copenhagen, Denmark**, Co-organizer.

May 2024 **NY BEST Capture the Energy Conference & Expo, Albany, NY**, Invited speaker.
Towards Grid Architectures That Unlock Flexibility from Distributed Energy Resources

- June 2024 **TotalEnergies Meet the Expert Seminar**, *Paris-Saclay, France*, Invited speaker.
Towards grid architectures that unlock flexibility from Distributed Energy Resources
- June 2024 **IMSI workshop on The Architecture of Green Energy Systems: the underlying problem and its challenges**, *Chicago, Illinois*, Keynote speaker.
Scalable Grid Architectures for Intelligent Electrification and Decarbonization
- Dec 2024 **Workshop for Cross-Atlantic network on system integration (CANSI): a US-Denmark Research Network (Part II)**, *Boston, MA, USA*, Participant.
- Dec 2024 **IEEE Conference on Decision and Control**, *Milan, Italy*, Co-organizer of invited paper session, Incentives, Flexibility, and Human Factors in Large-Scale Distributed Energy Resources Control.
- Jan 2025 **Grid Science Winter School and Conference**, *Santa Fe, NM*, Invited speaker.
Grid-aware coordination of distributed energy resources
- May 2025 **Dartmouth Engineering Jones Seminar**, *Hanover, NH*, Invited seminar.
Scalable Grid Architectures for Intelligent Electrification & Decarbonization
- May 2025 **EnergyHub Day of DERs**, *Burlington, VT*, Invited speaker.
Scalable Grid Architectures for Intelligent Electrification
- July 2025 **IEEE PES General Meeting**, Panel: Demand Response in the DER Era, Invited panelist.
A New Definition and Research Agenda for Demand Response in the Distributed Energy Resource Era
- July 2025 **IEEE PES General Meeting**, Panel: Digital Twins for Battery Energy Storage Advancing Grid Operations and Power Markets, Invited panelist.
From Digitizing Physical Batteries to Realizing Virtual Batteries
- July 2025 **IEEE PES General Meeting**, Panel: Energy storage management for efficient market integration and operation, Invited panelist.
On Linear Modeling for Optimal Energy Storage Dispatch
- October 2025 **NY BEST Annual Fall Energy Storage Technology and Innovation Conference**, *Ithaca, NY*, Invited panelist.
- December 2025 **Workshop on Advanced Control Strategies for Power Systems in Transition**, *Rio de Janeiro, Brazil*, Co-organize and Speaker.
- February 2026 **Champery Power Conference**, *Champery, Switzerland*, Invited speaker.
- March 2026 **Iowa State University**, *Ames, Iowa*, Invited Power & Energy Research Center Seminar Speaker.
- September 2026 **PowerUp 2026**, *Boulder, Colorado*, Co-organizer.