

EDUCATION

Northeastern University (NEU)

Ph.D. Candidate - GPA: 3.67

Boston, MA

Sept. 2016 – TBD

University of Massachusetts Lowell (UML)

M.S. in Civil and Environmental Engineering (Structural Engineering) - GPA: 4.00

Lowell, MA

Sept. 2015 – May 2016

B.S. in Civil and Environmental Engineering - GPA: 3.98

Sept. 2011 – May 2015

PROFESSIONAL AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Northeastern University

Structural Engineering Graduate Research Assistant

Boston, MA

Sept. 2016 - Present

- Developed a performance based engineering approach to the analysis of non-stationary wind loads on vertical structures using the wavelet-Galerkin approach for numerical solution
- Conducted wind tunnel experiments to physically simulate the gust-front flow of an impinging downdraft and its effects on a tall building model

Structural Engineering Teaching Assistant

Sept. 2017 - Dec. 2018

- Provided assistance for Steel Design courses. Graded homework, gave lectures, and held office hours for students
- Supervised Engineering Materials Lab courses. Conducted lab experiments with student groups and graded lab reports

GCP Applied Technologies

Research Intern

Cambridge, MA

June 2016 - Aug. 2016

- Performed image analysis and data clustering techniques for the improvement of quality control for concrete mixes and the mitigation of the environmental impact of concrete production

University of Massachusetts Lowell

Structural Engineering Research Assistant

Lowell, MA

May 2013 - May 2016

- Involved in the multiphysical nondestructive evaluation of cementitious composites using microwave imaging radar, ultrasonic testing, dielectric measurements with a contact probe, and an unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV)

SOFTWARE SKILLS

- **Proficient/Working Knowledge:** MATLAB, Microsoft Office, Python, LaTeX
- **Basic/Developing Knowledge:** ANSYS FLUENT, AutoCAD, C++, SQL, LabVIEW

AWARDS AND HONORS

- **Northeastern University** - College of Engineering Dean's Fellowship *May 2016*
- **American Concrete Institute (ACI)** - Kumar Mehta Scholarship *May 2016*
- **U.S. Department of Energy** - Integrated University Program Fellowship *May 2015*

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

- NEU ASCE Structural Engineering Institute (SEI) Student Chapter President *Sept. 2018 - Sept. 2019*
- UML Tau Beta Pi (TBP) Engineering Honors Society President *Sept. 2014 - Sept. 2015*
- UML Vietnamese Students Association (VSA) President *Sept. 2014 - Sept. 2015*

Peer-Reviewed Journal Publications

- Le, V.; Caracoglia, L. (2018). “Computationally Efficient Stochastic Approach for the Fragility Analysis of Vertical Structures Subjected to Thunderstorm Downburst Winds.” *Engineering Structures*. 165: 152-169.
- Le, V.; Caracoglia, L. (2018). “Simulating gust front downburst outflows using a multi-blade transient flow device in a small-scale wind tunnel.” *Journal of Wind Engineering and Industrial Aerodynamics*. Submitted.
- Yu, T.; Twumasi, J.O.; Le, V.; Tang, Q; D’Amico, N. (2017). “Surface and subsurface remote sensing of concrete structures using synthetic aperture radar imaging.” *Journal of Structural Engineering*. 143 (10): 04017143.

Conference Papers and Presentations

- Le, V.; Caracoglia, L. (2018). “Performance-based Assessment of Tall Buildings Subjected to Thunderstorm Downburst Loads Using the Wavelet-Galerkin Approach.” Presented at: *Engineering Mechanics Institute (EMI) Conference 2018*, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA, USA.
- Le, V.; Caracoglia, L. (2017). “A Preliminary Examination of Structural Fragility for a Vertical Cantilever Structure Subjected to Thunderstorm Downburst Loading.” Full paper presented and found in: *Proceedings of the 13th Americas Conference on Wind Engineering (ACWE13) Conference*, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida, USA.
- Le, V.; Yu, T.-Y.; et al. (2016). “Sizing and Ranging Criteria for SAR Images of Steel and Wood Specimens.” Full paper presented and found in: *2016 SPIE Proceedings Vol. 9804: Nondestructive Characterization and Monitoring of Advanced Materials, Aerospace, and Civil Infrastructure*, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA.
- Le, V.; Yu, T.-Y., (2015). “Mass and Stiffness Estimation using Mobile Devices for Structural Health Monitoring.” Full paper presented and found in: *2015 SPIE Proceedings Vol. 9437: Nondestructive Characterization and Monitoring of Advanced Materials, Aerospace, and Civil Infrastructure*, San Diego, California, USA.

Poster Presentations

- Le, V.; Caracoglia, L. (2018). “Investigations on the Structural Performance of Building Structures Subjected to Non-Stationary Thunderstorm Wind Loads by Wavelet-Galerkin Numerical Methods.” Poster presented at: *2018 Research, Innovation and Scholarship Expo (RISE: 2018)*, Northeastern University, Boston, MA, USA.
- Le, V.; Caracoglia, L. (2018). “A MATLAB[®]-Based Numerical Algorithm for Stochastic Simulation of Structural Load, Response and Damage (MATLAB[®] SLRD) Induced by Non-stationary Thunderstorm Downbursts.” Poster presented at: *2018 MathWorks SMART Laboratory Northeastern University Collaboration Day Event*, Northeastern University, Boston, MA, USA.