



SHORT CV

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SUMMARY

GENERAL INFORMATION

Name	Chaham Alalouch
Date of birth	March 28, 1979
Current Post	Associate Professor in Architectural Engineering at Sultan Qaboos University, Muscat, Oman.
College and Department	College of Engineering, Department of Civil & Architectural Engineering
PhD award date, institute, and country	June 2009, Heriot-Watt University, Edinburgh, UK
Years of teaching & research experience	10+ years (Oman, Syria and the UK)

SUMMARY OF TEACHING AND LEARNING ACHIEVEMENTS

- Awarded “**Distinguished Academician Award**” by Sultan Qaboos University 2019, and another 6 Awards (4 national and 2 international) for supervising student winning projects; and letters of Appreciation for H.E. the Vice Chancellor of SQU (2014) and form DVC of Academic Affaire and Community Services (2021) for my role in ABET accreditation of the Architectural Engineering Program.
- Consistently excellent student evaluation. My evaluations have been higher than the Department and College averages in almost all courses.
- Play a leading role in the ABET accreditation of the architectural Engineering Program at SQU.
- Taught 15 different undergraduate and postgraduate courses.
- Developed new courses and revised others; and participated in developing a new MSc program at SQU.
- Varsity and diversity of innovative teaching methods. Samples of my work in this field was requested by the coordinator of the department’s Strategic Plan Committee to be used as evidences for innovation in teaching methods that have been practiced in the Civil and Architectural Engineering Department at SQU.
- More than ten years of experience in university teaching and learning in three countries (Oman, Syria and the UK); including design studio, technical, and theoretical courses as well as supervising industrial training and PhD/MSc theses.
- Appointed as a member of the Register for External Reviewers of Oman Academic Accreditation Authority (OAAA); and Coordinator of ABET accreditation committee for the architectural engineering program since fall 2019.

SUMMARY OF SCHOLARLY ACHIEVEMENTS:

- Current *Google Scholar* **h-index is 17, i10-index is 20** and citations is **1441** on November 223.
- Current *Scopus* h-index is 12, citations is 759. Total document in Scopus is 26 on November 223.
- Current *ResearchGate* h-index is 15, Research Interest Score is 962.5 and Reads are 48,500+.
- **Editor-in-Chief** of “*Open House International*” journal, Associate Editor in “*ICE Urban Design and Planning*” journal, and member of the Editorial Review Board of “*Arch-net IJAR*” journals. All journals are indexed in Scopus and Calvairate Analytics. I am also a member of the Editorial Board of new “*Urbanization, Sustainability and Society*” journal.
- Awarded a total research grants and **project fund of 872,861 \$** from internal and external sources since I joined SQU (as a PI and Co-I), 6 of the projects are completed.
- Awarded **The Outstanding Reviewer Award 2021** by Emerald Publishing, UK, for arch-net IJAR in the Literati Network Awards for Excellence.

- Awarded **The National Research Award 2020** in the research area: Energy & Industry Sector (PhD-holders category) by the Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation in Oman.
- Awarded the **Emerald Highly Commended Paper Award 2010** by Emerald Publishing, UK, in the Literati Network Awards for Excellence.
- PhD thesis awarded the **MacFarlane Prize 2009** by Heriot-watt University, Edinburgh, UK.
- 27.3% of my publications are among the top 10% most cited worldwide, 54.5% of my publications are among the top 10% most viewed publications worldwide, 55.6% of my publications were published in the top 10% journals by CiteScore percentile, and 63.6% of my publications have international collaboration. This statistics are based on SciVal data for the period 2018-2021.
- One of my research article was selected by Elsevier in April 2021 to join RELX Sustainable Development Goals Resource database (<https://cutt.ly/nbkKwIg>).
- My research articles were featured in Elsevier newsletter, Elsevier Engineering twitter account, The Australian Architectural Science Association newsletter, the Spanish online magazine “The Smart City Journal”, and the “Scientific Insights” newsletters by the Ministry of Higher in Oman.
- I published in the Journal of Cleaner Production, which is listed as Top Journal in Google’s Scholar's Sustainable Development category in 2020 and number 42 of the top 100-journal list of Google Scholar across all categories and all disciplines with Nature being the top of the list. I also review for this journal.
- Published many referred journal and conference papers as well as several technical reports, edited books and conference proceedings, and posters.
- Referred for several reputable journals, research proposals, academic promotion application, book proposals, reports, and acted as a member of the scientific committee in 18 conference.
- I was invited as a Keynote Speaker in international conferences (Cyprus, Spain, Italy, Kuwait, & Oman), chaired specialized sessions in several conferences (UK, Spain & Oman) and held invited talks.
- Published with male/female colleagues/students from 14 countries (Oman, UK, USA, Spain, New Zealand, Australia, Jordan, Sweden, Norway, Italy, France, USA, Egypt, Lebanon and Singapore).
- One of the Editors of the refereed book series “Advances in Science, Technology & Innovation (ASTI): EREK Interdisciplinary Series for Sustainable Development” (ISSN: 2522-8714) by Springer.

SUMMARY OF UNIVERSITY & COMMUNITY SERVICES

- Chaired, coordinated and acted as a member in 28 committees at university, college, department, and program levels.
- Participated in the organization of conference organizing and chaired committees in several international conferences.
- Delivered public lectures, TV interviews and radio talks.
- Letter of appreciation from the Dean of the College of Engineering at SQU for producing the conceptual design of the new student workshop building in 2019.
- Letter of appreciation from the Dean of the College of Engineering at SQU for my outstanding contribution to the College in 2017.
- Letter of appreciation from the SQU Deputy Vice Chancellor for Postgraduate Studies and Research, SQU, in 2016 in recognition of my role in organizing the SQU exhibition “Linking Higher Education Institutions with the Public and Private Sectors”.
- Letter of appreciation from SQU Deputy Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs for my role in organizing the “The Major Fair”, 2016.