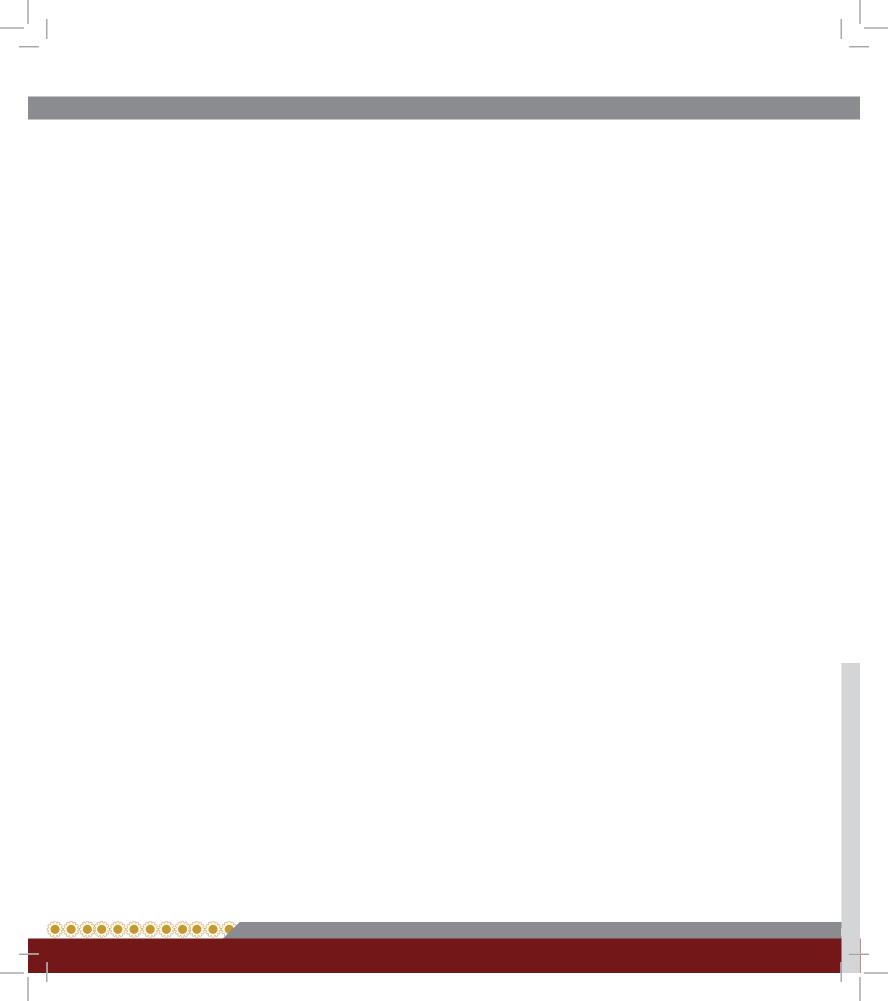


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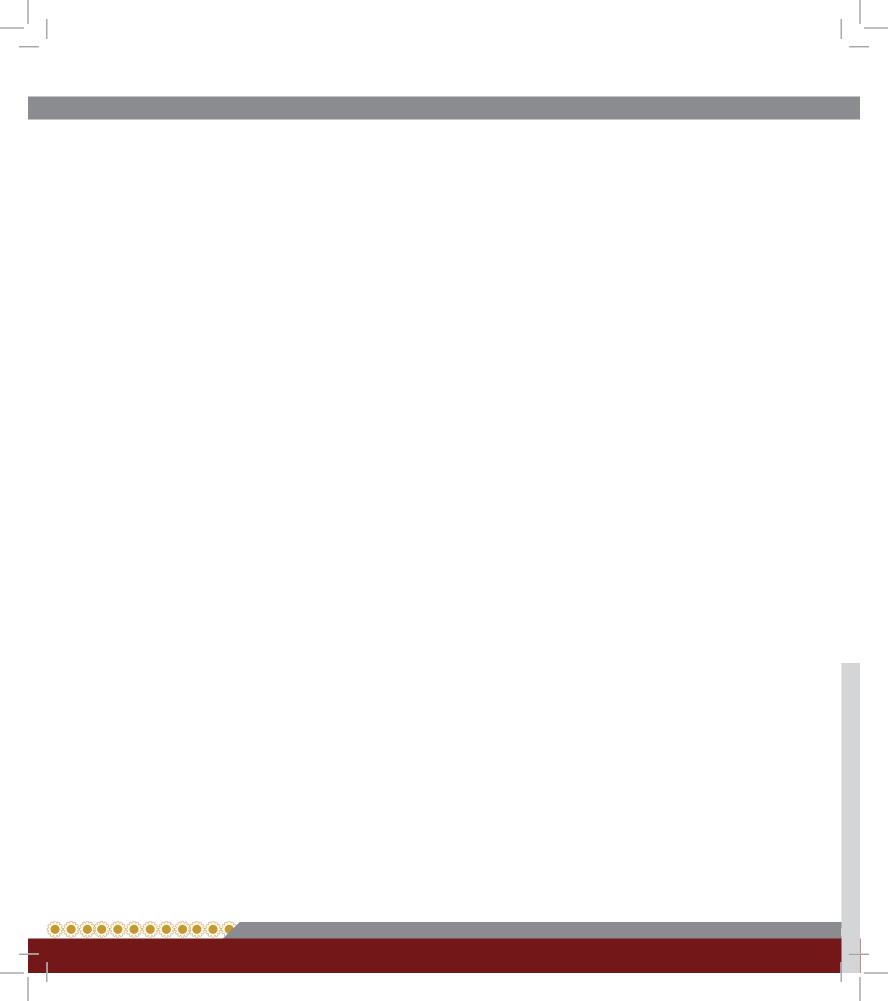
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# College of Engineering



The College of Engineering at Sultan Qaboos University is among the highly ranked engineering colleges in the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) countries. Its four academic departments offer eight ABET accredited undergraduate engineering programs. These are: Architectural, Chemical and Process, Civil, Electrical and Computer, Industrial, Mechanical, Mechatronics, and Petroleum and Natural Gas Engineering. The Mechatronics program is jointly offered by two departments, the Electrical and Computer Engineering and the Mechanical and Industrial Engineering. At the postgraduate level, the College offers ten Masters and six Doctoral programs in various disciplines across the four departments. In addition, the college offers a joint undergraduate program in Agricultural Engineering that is accommodated at the College of Agriculture and Marine Science (CAMS). The University Council has approved in the past few years the establishment of a new specialization on Biomedical Signals and Medical Devices, managed by the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering.

t is worth noting that since the inception of SQU, the College of Engineering intake has been steadily increasing over the years reaching about 450 in 2017. The number of engineering students graduated in 2017 was 373 and the total number of undergraduate students currently registered in the college is around 2600 students.

The postgraduate students' enrollment has also been on the increase. For instance, the number of postgraduate students registered in 2017 has reached 79 students. However, the total number of master's students graduated in 2017 was 34. In the same year, the college graduated 5 PhD students, from the different programs of the College of Engineering.

The college continues to attract research funding every year. The funding for research and consultancy reached 373,000 OMR in 2017. The research projects for this year include 9 internally funded projects and 9 research/consultancy projects from industry. This is in addition to 2 collaborative SQU-UAEU projects and 3 HM projects. As for scholarly activities in 2017, the faculty of the college published 149 journal papers, 118 conference papers, 2 books, 10 book chapters and 29 technical reports.

n the new faculty side, 4 faculty members joined the college in 2017 after finishing their higher studies. Two from the Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering and two from Electrical and Computer Engineering Department.

would like to thank our colleagues, students, SQU administration and associates from public and private sectors for their commitments and supports. With their energy and enthusiasm, the College of Engineering will be able to maintain excellence and remain an inspiration to other units as a benchmark for teamwork success. They did a good job. Congratulations!

Prof. Hadj Bourdoucen Dean, College of Engineering



- knowledge and Maker Economy.
- The college staff and students work in coherence for preparing the next generation of engineers who will conceive innovative ideas and generate novel insights.
- We are preparing our students to be the leaders and the employers of tomorrow.
- We will finalize new plans addressing the main modern engineering challenges for sustainable solutions.

The Charter of the Sultan Qaboos University states that one of the University's objectives is "to uphold scientific research as the most effective tool in establishing accurate facts, problem solving and the prediction of social patterns as well as undertaking research in the fields of technology in relation to the Omani environment, in particular, and other environments, in general, in order to enhance the intellectual capabilities and quality of life of mankind as a whole and of Omani society in particular."

The basic mission of our office is to administer postgraduate education and research in the College of Engineering, to enhance the strength and vitality of engineering research by identifying new opportunities, developing collaborations and establishing partnerships between faculty, industry, and government units.

ur faculty members were able to attract research funds from internal grants as well as externally funded research grants, contracts, and consultancy services despite the limitation of financial resources in the last three years caused by the global financial crisis. A total amount of OMR 373,000 was the research fund received by the College. This year, the College of Engineering was awarded three out the total seven HM Trust Fund strategic research projects funded by SQU with a total fund of around OMR 200,000. The dissemination of findings from research activities is reflected by the number of publications of articles in top ranked refereed international journals (149 articles) and conference proceedings (118) as indicated in the list of publications included in this report.

The number of admitted postgraduate students has steadily increased in the last few years. In 2017, the College of Engineering admitted 142 students in the MSc programs and 8 students in the PhD programs. In 2017 a total of 34 MSc students and a total of 5 PhD students graduated from the College of Engineering. With regard to the expansion of our postgraduate programs; the Master of Science in Architectural Engineering has been approved by the University Council in November 2017 and will be offered in the Fall Semester of 2018. Other Master Programs: MSc in Sustainable Energy is at the final stages of being approved and MSc in Construction Engineering is at the proposal stage. Hopefully, these MSc programs expected to be offered in subsequent years to fulfill the market need of proficient graduates in these disciplines.

would like to take this opportunity to thank our faculty members who are involved in driving research and postgraduate studies at our College. Thanks to our technical staff who work behind the scene to support our postgraduate students and faculty members to carry out the experimental work in the laboratory and in the field. Our office is supported by the College Research and Postgraduate Studies Committee who are doing excellent job in monitoring and improving the quality of research activities and postgraduate studies at the College. Thanks to the administrative staff at our office who are striving to provide assistance to faculty and students to facilitate their end needs related to research and postgraduate studies.

Dr. Abdullah Al-Saidy Assistant Dean for Postgraduate Studies and Research, College of Engineering



ollege of Engineering has grown rapidly since its start in 1986. The current student population has increased to around 2600 students during the academic year 2018-2017, compared to only 92 students in 1986. Amongst these students, there are about 570 female students. The College positioned itself as a leader in engineering education in Oman by offering eight programs accredited by the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET) which provide a vibrant learning culture and ample leadership opportunities for our students.

The Office of the Assistant Dean for Undergraduate Studies coordinates with the other units in the University (e.g., Deanship of Admission and Registration, Deanship of Students Affairs, Center of Preparatory Studies, Students Counselling Center) to enrich students' academic experience to grow professionally and socially. A large part of our success comes from our top-notch faculty. The role of our faculty is not only to provide teaching and research, but also to assist, advise and guide the students to progress efficiently in their specializations and future career endeavors.

Today's engineering challenges are far more complex than ever. And to meet these challenges, our students are equipped with many attributes that foster and advance their comprehensive skills and knowledge in the area of their specialization with critical analysis of complex information. The College has adopted strategies to best achieve this mission by continuously:

- 1. Improving undergraduate programs in both teaching and learning methods.
- 2. Upgrading course contents, books, computers and laboratory facilities to cope with cutting-edge technology.
- 3. Enhancing students' professional abilities for analytical and imaginative thought.
- 4. Building strong link with the government and private sectors.

wish our students all the success in the College of Engineering and a prosperous future.

Dr. Issam Bait Bahdour

Assistant Dean for Undergraduate Studies, College of Engineering



n essential component of the College's mission is to provide students with high quality engineering education. This education is not only limited to conventional class and lab delivery modes. Students are also exposed to an actual professional engineering practice via industrial training and community service. Through industrial training students are able to correlate what they have learnt at the University with what being practiced in the real industry. The office of Assistance Dean for Training and Community Services (ADTCS) is responsible of providing to the College's students through its links with both public and private sectors. Students are usually involved in a range of activities during their training period. These activities include design, analysis, manufacturing, testing, regulatory affairs, etc. At the international level, the College is a full member in The International Association for the Exchange of Students for Technical Experience (IAESTE). This organization provides students' with opportunities to train abroad, and employers with highly skilled, highly motivated trainees for projects. The IAESTE-Oman established in 2001 with a vision of connecting companies, universities and students in Oman to foster cross-border collaboration in R&D and increase the mobility of engineers. With commitment, dedication and hard work, IAESTE-Oman has achieved an impressive growth rate in the number of exchange students catered annually. Having a competitive higher education level and excellent facilities, Omani students proofed that they are highly skilled and capable of competing at the international level, thus exhibiting Oman on the global platform.

The relationship between the College and its alumni continues long after your graduation day. The College is keen to maintain links with its Alumni, and keep them aware of the educational, research and social activities within the College. Moreover, the College, by its nature, always has close ties and continuous interaction with the Industries of Oman and beyond. The office of Assistance Dean for Training and Community Services (ADTCS) maintains its strong relationship with the Alumni by inviting them to participate in activities and conferences organized by The College; exchange information and opinions; shares information related to Alumni's social and professional activities; and provides services to the Alumni (e.g. using the SQU library).

The ADTCS fosters community building within the College and with the Omani community by maintaining the spirit of public service at the College and offering opportunities to participate in community service work, and supporting student-sponsored social action initiatives. The College also strengthen its relationship with the community by organizing activities and events, which support the college in performing its educational and research goals, and in order to serve and develop the Omani community. Moreover, extending all forms of knowledge and scientific awareness to through holding short training courses, workshops, seminars, and other programs.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude and appreciation to all the organizations and individuals that have supported us by providing high quality training for our students as well as provide regular feedback on our programs and activities. These inputs had a great role in shaping our training programs towards the excellence and maintaining the dynamicity of our curriculum and its delivery.

Dr. Ghazi Al-Rawas Assistant Dean for Training and Community Service, College of Engineering





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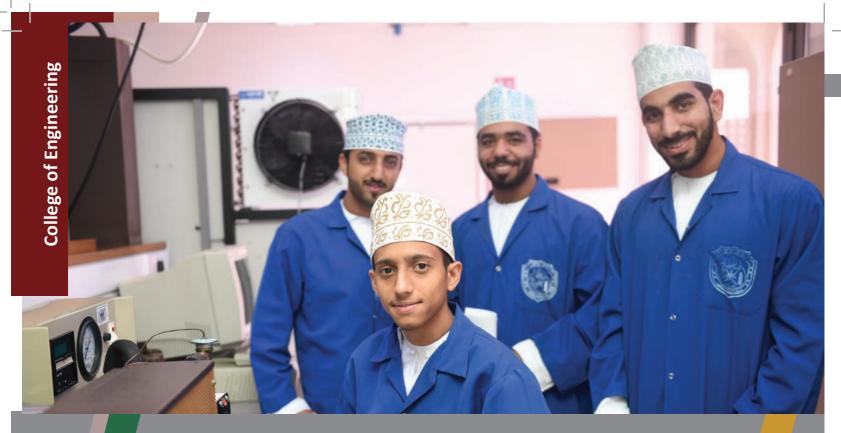
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### **SUMMARY OF STUDENTS' ENROLLMENT**

The College of Engineering has grown rapidly since its start in 1986 and currently the student population has increased to around 3114 students during the year 2017, compared to only 92 students in 1986.

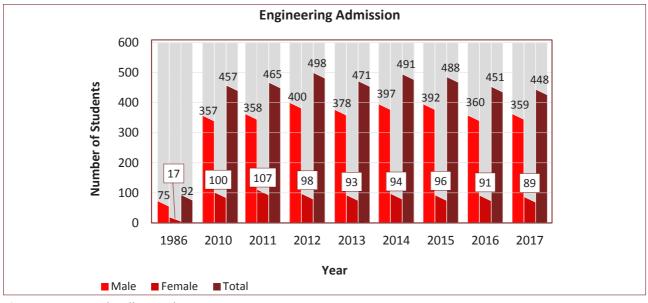


Figure A1: Annual College Admission



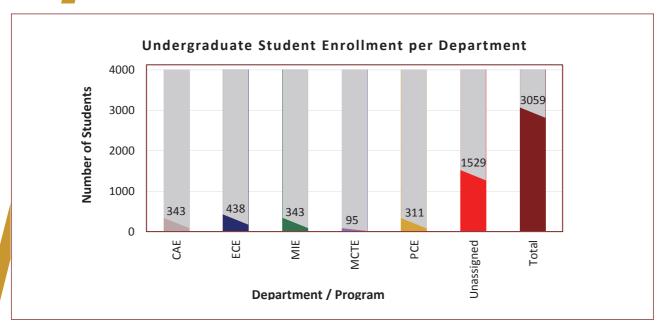


Figure A2: Enrollment in the Departments and Programs in Year 2017

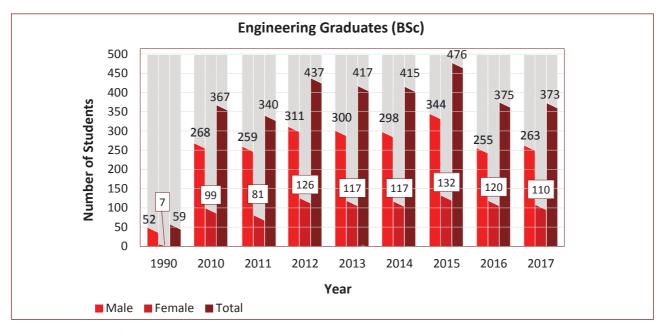


Figure A3: College's Graduates over the Past Eight Years

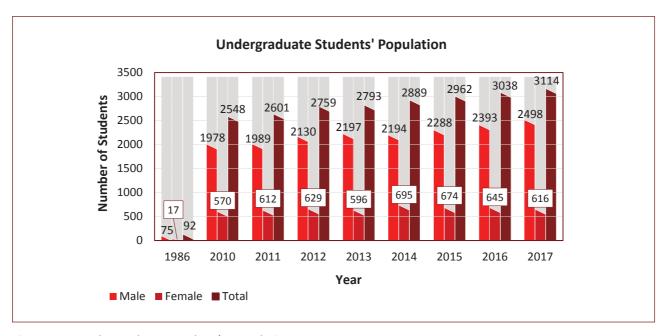


Figure A4: Undergraduate Student's Population



# SUMMARY OF INDUSTRIAL STUDENTS' TRAINING

Every year, the College of Engineering provides an industrial student training for all students in their fourth year either locally in Oman or abroad. The period of the training varies from 6 to 8 weeks. Local trainings are monitored by Department advisors who make regular visits to their students. During summer 2017, several International exchanges with a total number of 16 countries within IAESTE and 2 countries outside IAESTE were made.

**Table A1:** Stastics of Industrial Training, Summer 2017

Training		CAE	ECE	MIE	PCE	МСТЕ	Total College
Local		94	97	89	76	26	382
Abusad	IAESTE	12	7	9	11	3	42
Abroad	Other	0	0	4	2	0	6
Sub Total		106	104	102	89	29	430



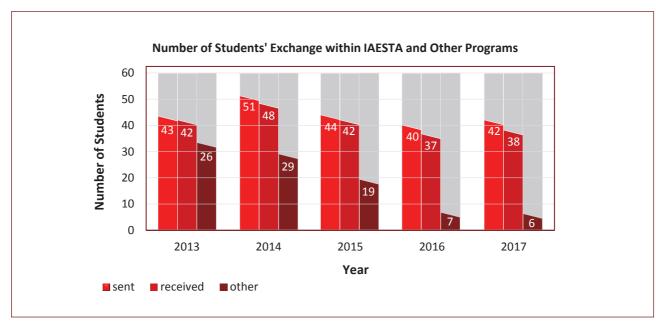


Figure A5: Students' Exchange within IAESTA and Other Programs over the past 5 years



# Civil and Architectural Engineering



# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Department of Civil and Architectural Engineering offers two distinct undergraduate programs in Civil Engineering and Architectural Engineering. The total enrollment in the two programs at the end of fall 2017 was 343 students. There are 73 students graduated from the Civil Engineering Program and 16 graduated from the Architectural Engineering Program at the graduation ceremony in 2017.

n spring 2017, the Department offered 46 courses, 9 with two sections and 3 had three sections. In fall 2017, 39 courses were offered with 11 having two sections and 2 with three sections.

t postgraduate level, the Department offers four different programs leading to the degrees of M.Sc. in Civil Engineering, M.Sc. in Civil Engineering (Water Resources), M.Sc. in Environmental Engineering, and M.Sc. in Geomatics Engineering. In 2017, a new M.Sc. in Architectural Engineering has been added to the existing four M.Sc. programs. In 2017, 13 and 4 students were admitted to the Civil Engineering and Environmental Engineering programs, respectively.

The department offered 5 postgraduate courses in spring 2017, while 6 courses were offered in fall 2017. The department also has a Ph.D. program in Civil Engineering.

In 2017, the Department secured an HM grant with a budget of 67,000 OMR, six external projects with a budget of 73,000 OMR, and two internal research grants with a budget of 13,400 OMR.

The faculty publications included 31 refereed journal articles, 4 book chapters, 23 international conferences, and 15 technical reports.

Dr. Ali Al-Nuaimi HoD, Department of Civil and Architectural Engineering





# **SUMMARY**

Table B1: Summary

	2015	2016	2017
Faculty Support staff Total On-study leave	31	32	31
	14	14	14
	45	46	45
	3	3	2
Undergraduate Program Enrollment (Y2-5) Courses offered Graduates	363	358	343
	120	115	114
	106	81	89
Graduate Program New Enrollment Courses offered Thesis completed	25	27	17
	11	11	11
	4	5	8
Research New grants and contracts	5	9	9
Publications Refereed journals Conference proceedings	31	24	31
	24	18	23





Dr. Ali Al-Nuaimi

Prof. Amer Al-Rawas

Prof. Khalifa Al-Jabri

#### Dr. Ali Al-Nuaimi

Associate Professor and Head of Department

Research Interests: Structural Design and Analysis

#### **Prof. Amer Al-Rawas**

Professor and Deputy Vice-Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Community Service

Research Interests: Calcined Pozzolanic Materials, Use of By-Pass Waste Materials and Oil-Contaminated Soils

#### Prof. Khalifa Al-Jabri

Professor

Research Interests: Structures, Structural Dynamics, Fire Engineering, Construction Materials



Prof. Awni Shaaban

Professor

Research Interests: Environmental Design, Sustainable Architecture, Architecture in Hot-Arid Regions

#### Prof. Ali Al-Harthy

Professor

Research Interests: Structural Mechanics, Reliability and Optimization, Concrete

#### Dr. Abdul Wahid Hago

**Associate Professor** 

Research Interests: Pozzolanic Materials, Concrete Properties, Shear Walls, Computer Aided Design

#### Dr. Yahia Mohamedzein

**Associate Professor** 

Research Interests: Soil-Structure Interaction, Earthquake Engineering and Soil Dynamics, Finite Element Analysis





Dr. Salim Al-Oraimi Dr. Hossam Hassan Dr. Mohammad Al-Aghbari Dr. Ahmed Sana

#### Dr. Salim Al-Oraimi

**Associate Professor** 

Research Interests: Fibre Reinforced Concrete, Fracture Mechanics, High Strength Concrete, Durability

#### Dr. Hossam Hassan

**Associate Professor** 

Research Interests: Pavement Materials, Mixtures Evaluation and Design, Recycling of Waste and By-Product Materials, Environmental Effect on Pavement Performance, Maintenance and Rehabilitation of Pavements

#### Dr. Mohammad Al-Aghbari

**Associate Professor** 

Research Interests: Seepage Problems in Soil and Under Dams, Bearing Capacity of Foundations with Structural Skirts

#### Dr. Ahmed Sana

**Associate Professor** 

Research Interests: Wave Boundary Layers, Sediment Transport, Hydroinformatics, Water Resources Management





#### Dr. Abdullah Al-Saidy

Associate Professor, Assistant Dean for Postgraduate Studies and Research

Research Interests: Rehabilitation of Structures, Behaviour of RC, PC and Composite Structures, Application of Advanced Fibre Composites in Civil Engineering Structures

#### Dr. Ranjith Perera

**Associate Professor** 

Research Interests: Eco-Sensitive Architecture and Construction, Urban Planning and Housing Towards Low-Carbon Cities, Results Based Evaluation of Development Projects, Community-Based Urban Environmental Management.

#### Dr. Mahad Bawaain

**Associate Professor** 

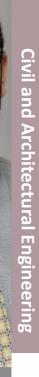
Research Interests: Environmental Engineering, Water and Wastewater Treatment Technologies, Fluid Mechanics

#### Dr. Issa Al-Harthy

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Sound Characterization of Urban Environment, Survey on Community Noise, Human Behaviour in Architectural Facilities





Dr. Khalid Al-Shamsi Dr. Ghazi Al-Rawas Dr. Syed Muhammad Dr. Sherif El-Gamal

#### Dr. Khalid Al-Shamsi

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Characterization of Bituminous Materials, Pavement Design and Maintenance

#### Dr. Ghazi Al-Rawas

Assistant Professor, Assistant Dean for Training and Community Service

Research Interests: Remote Sensing and Geographical Information System (GIS), Hydrology

#### Dr. Syed Muhammad Bilal Waris Ali

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Structural Dynamics, Fluid-Structure Interaction, Vibration Analysis, Earthquake Engineering

#### Dr. Sherif El-Gamal

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Structural Engineering, Reinforced Concrete Structures, FRP Composite Materials, Structural Health Monitoring





#### Dr. Mahmood Abd El-Gelil

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Geodesy and Satellite Positioning, Geophysics, Superconducting Gravimeter Data Analysis

#### Dr. Mohamed Abdullah Al-Mamun

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Renewable Energy, Wastewater Treatment, Water Quality Control and Reuse, Environmental Microbiology

#### Dr. Luminda Hewawasam

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Hydrology, Climate Change, Land Use Change, Flood Analysis

### Dr. Mohammad Seddik Meddah

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Materials and Structure, Sustainable and Durable Concrete Material, Cement and Concrete Technology, Construction Materials, Use of Waste/Recycled and By-Products in Concrete and Fiber-Reinforced Concrete





Dr. Mohammad Al-Shahri

**Assistant Professor** 

Dr. Mohammad Al-Shahri

Research Interests: Engineering Surveying, Photogrammetry, Multi-Sensor Integration and Mapping

#### Dr. Naima Benkari

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Contemporary Architecture and Urban Design in Arab and Islamic Countries, Built Heritage, Al Waqf and its Implementation in Regulating the Built Environment during the 19th Century, Architectural Education Systems.

Dr. Saleh Al-Saadi

#### Dr. Saleh Al-Saadi

Assistant Professor and Coordinator of Architectural Engineering Program

Dr. Naima Benkari

Research Interests: Energy Conservation and Management in Buildings, HVAC Systems Design, Total Indoor Environmental Quality in Buildings and its Impact on Occupants, Renewable and Sustainable Energy Applications in Buildings

#### Dr. Chaham Alalouch

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Sustainable Healthcare Building Design, Health and Built Environment Design, Space Syntax, Environmental Psychology, Design Evaluation and Stakeholder Engagement in the Design Process



Dr. Chaham Alalouch



#### Dr. Mohamed Salah Eldin Saleh

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Building Construction Technology, Architectural Design, Architecture and Culture

#### Dr. Kazi Md Abu Sohel

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Steel-Concrete Composite Structures, Light-Weight Composite Structures, Dynamics of Structures

#### Dr. Mubarak Al-Alawi

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interest: Construction Management

#### Eng. Aliya Al-Hashim (On study leave)

Lecturer

Research Interest: Architectural Engineering





Eng. Hanan Al-Khatri (On study leave)

Lecturer

Research Interest: Architectural Engineering

Mr. Juma Al-Ruzaiqi

Engineer, Department Superintendent

Research Interest: Highway

Mr. Suleiman Al-Kindi

Engineer

Research Interest: Geotechnical Engineering

Mr. Mohsen Ghanma

Engineer

Research Interest: Architectural Engineering





Mr. Yaqoub Al-Alawi

Engineer

Research Interest: Geotechnical Engineering

Mr. Jamil Al-Yaqoobi

Engineer

Research Interest: Civil Engineering

Mr. Salem Al-Ruzaiqi

Engineer

Research Interests: Surveying, Highway

Mr. Taiseer Al-Riyami

Engineer

Research Interest: Civil Engineering





Mrs. Raya Al-Sharji Mr. Nafeer Abu Alhuda Mr. Induka Nilupul Mr. Abdulrahman Numeiri

Mrs. Raya Al-Sharji

Technician

Research Interest: Environmental Engineering

Mr. Nafeer Abu Alhuda

Technician

Research Interest: Hydraulics

Mr. Induka Nilupul Halwalage

Technician

Research Interest: Structural Engineering

Mr. Abdulrahman Numeiri

Engineer

Research Interest: Surveying





Mr. Osama Al Hashemi

Engineer

Research Interests: Structures, Surveying

Mrs. Wafa Al-Nabhani

Coordinator

Mr. Said Al-Abri

Clerk





# **DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEES**

Table B2: Departmental Committees

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	Dr. Ali Al-Nuaimi (Hod)
	Prof. Awni Shaaban (Coordinator)
	Dr. Chaham Alalouch (Associate coordinator)
Accreditation Committee	Dr. Saleh Al-Saadi
(Architectural Engineering Program)	Dr. Ranjith Perera
	Dr. Naima Benkari
	Dr. Mohammad Salah
	Dr. Sherif El-Gamal
	Dr. Ali Al-Nuaimi (Hod)
	Dr. Ahmed Sana (Coordinator)
	Dr. Bilal Waris (Associate Coordinator)
Accreditation Committee	Dr. Khazi Abusohel
	Dr. Yahia Zain
(Civil Engineering Program)	Dr. Luminda Gunawardhana
	Dr. Mohamed Al Shahri
	Dr. Mahmood Abd El-Gelil
	Dr. Mubarak Al-Alawi

	Prof. Khalifa Al-Jabri	
Destauradu eta Chudias and Dessaurah Commistra	Dr. Mahad Baawain (Coordinator)	
Postgraduate Studies and Research Committee	Dr. Khalid Al-Shamsi	
	Dr. Mohammad Meddah	
	Dr. Ali Al-Nuaimi (Hod)	
Civil and Architectural Engineering Industrial	Dr. AbdulaWahid Hago (Coordinator)	
Civil and Architectural Engineering Industrial	Prof. Awni Shaaban	
Advisory Board	Dr. Ahmed Sana	
	Dr. Saleh Al-Saadi	
	Dr. Ali Al-Nuaimi (Hod)	
	Dr. Mohamed Al-Shahri (Coordinator)	
Student-Staff Liaison Committee	Dr. Hossam Hassan	
	Dr. Saleh Al-Saadi	
	Two students from each cohort	
	Dr. Ali Al-Nuaimi (Hod)	
	Dr. Yahiya Mohamedzein (Coordinator)	
	Dr. Sherif El-Gamal	
Undergraduate Curriculum Committee	Dr. Abdullah Al-Mamun	
ondergraduate earnearam committee	Dr. Naima Benkari	
	Dr. Luminda Gunawardhana	
	Dr. Chaham Al-Alouch	
	Dr. Mohammad Meddah	
	Dr. Ali Al-Nuaimi (Hod)	
	Dr. Abdul Wahid Hago (Coordinator)	
	Prof. Khalifa Al-Jabri	
Staff-Recruitment Committee	Dr. Saleh Al-Saadi	
	Dr. Hossam F. Hassan	
	Dr. Mahad Baawain	
	Dr. Ghazi Al-Rawas	
	Dr. Ali Al-Nuaimi (Hod)	
	Prof. Khalifa Al-Jabri (Coordinator)	
Academic Promotion Committee	Prof. Awni Shaaban	
	Dr. Abdul Wahid Hago	
	Dr. Hossam Hassan	
	Dr. Mahad Baawain	



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Student Advising Committee	Dr. Ali Al-Nuaimi (Hod) Dr. Sherif El-Gamal (Coordinator) Dr. Chaham Al-Alouch Dr. Naima Benkari Dr. Abdul Wahid Hago Dr. Yahia Zain Dr. Luminda Gunawardhana Dr. Hossam Hassan Dr. Mohamed Abdullah Al-Maamun
AREN Applications (Portfolio Evaluation)	Prof. Awni Shaaban (Coordinator) Dr. Ranjith Perera Dr. Naima Benkari
AREN Design Studio Courses Review	Dr. Ranjith Perera (Coordinator) Dr. Naima Benkari Dr. Chaham Alalouch Dr. Mohammad Salah
AREN FYPs review	Prof. Awni Shaaban (Coordinator) Dr. Saleh Al-Saadi (MEP) Dr. Sherif El-Gamal (Structure) Dr Chaham Alalouch (Architecture) Dr Mohammad Salah (Building Construction)
Seminars and Publicity	Dr. Sherif El-Gamal (Coordinator) Dr. Luminda Gunawardhana
Social Activities	Dr. Issa Al-Harthi Mr. Said Al-Abri
IWAN	Dr. Mohammad Salah (Coordinator) Eng. Mohsin Ghanma
CIVL Final Research Projects	Dr. Mubarak Al-Alawi



Textbooks	Dr. Abdullah Al-Mamun	
	Dr. Mubarak Al-Alawi (coordinator)	
Industrial Training Reports	Eng. Juma Al-Ruzaiqi	
	Eng. Suliman Al-Kindi	
Timetabling	Dr. Mohammad Al-Shahri	
Department Secretary	Dr. Hossam Hassan	
CAE Society Advisor	Dr. Issa Al-Harthy	
AREN Meeting Secretary	Dr. Mohammad Salah	
Alumni and Employers' Survey (AREN)	Dr. Mohammad Salah (Coordinator)	
Alumini and Employers Survey (AKEN)	Eng. Mohsin Ghanma	
AREN Facilities	Eng. Mohsin Ghanma	
	Dr. Mubarak Al-Alawi (Coordinator)	
Industrial Training Reports	Eng. Juma Al-Ruzaiqi	
	Eng. Suliman Al-Kindi	
Information and Communication Technology	Dr. Mahmood Abd El-Gelil	
	Prof. Ali Al-Harthy	
Program Accreditation Consultant	Dr. Abdul Wahid Hago	
	Dr. Hossam Hassan	
1st International conference on Unmanned	Prof. Khalifa Al-Jabri	
Aircraft System Oman (UAS-Oman 2019)	Dr. Chaham Al-Alouch	
	Dr. Ali Al-Nuaimi (Chair)	
	Dr. Issa Al-Harthy (Co-Chair)	
	Prof. Khalifa Al-Jabri	
	Dr. Naima Benkai	
	Dr. Ahmed Sana	
	Dr. Mubarak Al-Alawi	
1st International conference on Civil and	Dr. Hossam Hassan	
Architectural Engineering, 2018 (NCCAE2018)	Dr. Mahad Baawain	
	Dr. Ghazi Al-Rawas	
	Dr. Chaham Alalouch	
	Dr. Syed Muhammad Bilal Waris	
	Dr. Mohamed Al-Aghbari	
	Mr. Said Al-Abri	
	Mr. Ibrahim Al-Saifi	





# **UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES**

### Courses

Table B3: Courses Offered in Spring 2017

Code	Title	Instructor(s)
AREN2111	Architectural Design I	Dr. Naima Benkari
AREN2313	Architectural Graphics	Dr. Chaham Al Alouch
AREN2411	History of Architecture I	Dr. Lama Perera
AREN3113	Architectural Design III	Dr. Chaham Al Alouch
AREN3313	Working Drawing	Dr. Mohamed Hassanien
AREN3412	History of Architecture II	Dr. Naima Benkari
AREN3812	Architectural Acoustics	Dr. Maatouk Khoukhi
AREN3814	Climate Responsive Design	Prof. Awni Shaaban
AREN3816	Building Mechanical Systems	Dr. Saleh Al Saadi
AREN4115	Graduation Project I	Dr. Mohamed Hassanien
		Prof. Awni Shaaban
AREN4818	Building Electrical Systems	Dr. Maatouk Khoukhi



Code	Title	Instructor(s)
AREN5403	Omani Architecture	Dr. Naima Benkari
AREN5802	Modern Building Construction Systems	Dr. Mohamed Hassanien
AREN5805	Energy in Building	Dr. Saleh Al Saadi
CIVL2401	Practice and Ethics	Dr. Lama Perera
CIVL2401	Practice and Ethics	Dr. Issa Al-Harthy
CIVL3036	Structures I	Dr. Sherif El Gamal
CIVL3036	Structures I	Dr. Salim Al-Araimi
CIVL3036	Structures I	Dr. Abdullah Al-Saidi
CIVL3046	Drawing II	Dr. Hossam Hassan
CIVL3046	Drawing II	Dr. Abdelwahed Mohamed
CIVL3046	Drawing II	Dr. Mahmood Abd El-Gelil
CIVL3066	Engineering Hydrology	Dr. Luminda Hewawasam
CIVL3066	Engineering Hydrology	Dr. Luminda Hewawasam
CIVL3076	Transportation Engineering	Dr. Khalid Al-Shamsi
CIVL3076	Transportation Engineering	Dr. Khalid Al-Shamsi
CIVL3086	Mechanics of Materials	Prof. Khalifa Al-Jabri
CIVL3086	Mechanics of Materials	Prof. Ali Al-Harthi
CIVL3096	Construction Materials	Dr. Mohammad Meddah
CIVL3106	Geotechnical Engineering I	Dr. Mohamed Al-Aghbari
CIVL3216	Basic Mechanics	Dr. Issa Al-Harthy
CIVL3216	Basic Mechanics	Dr. Kazi Abu Sohel
CIVL4006	Probability & Statistics	Dr. Yahia Zein
CIVL4006	Probability & Statistics	Dr. Mohamed Al-Shahri
CIVL4016	Structures II	Dr. Sherif El Gamal
CIVL4016	Structures II	Dr. Salim Al-Araimi
CIVL4046	Fluid Mechanics	Dr. Luminda Hewawasam
CIVL4206	Concrete Design	Dr. Ali Al-Nuaimi
CIVL4216	Steelwork Design	Dr. Syed Waris Ali
CIVL4216	Steelwork Design	Dr. Syed Waris Ali
CIVL5076	Coastal Engineering	Dr. Ahmed Sana
CIVL5111	GPS & Civil Engineering Applications	Dr. Mahmood Abd El-Gelil
CIVL5133	Soil Improvement	Dr. Mohamed Al-Aghbari





Code	Title	Instructor(s)
CIVL5154	Membrane Technology	Dr. Abdullah Al Mamun
CIVL5160	GIS in Water Resources	Dr. Ghazi Al-Rawas
CIVL5186	Water & Waste Management	Dr. Mahad Baawain
CIVL5204	Engineering Economic	Dr. Lama Perera
CIVL5204	Engineering Economic	Dr. Kazi Abu Sohel
CIVL5326	Environmental Engineering 2	Dr. Abdullah Al Mamun
CIVL5462	Concrete Technology	Dr. Mohammad Meddah
CIVL5600	Introduction to Photogrammetry	Dr. Mohamed Al-Shahri
CIVL5678	Administration of Contracts	Dr. Ali Al-Nuaimi
CIVL5994	Research Project II	Dr. Mohamed Al-Shahri
CIVL5996	Project II	Dr. Abdelwahed Mohamed
CIVL5996	Project II	Dr. Hossam Hassan
CIVL5996	Project II	Dr. Ahmed Sana

Table B4: Courses Offered in Fall 2017

Code	Title	Instructor (s)
AREN2312	Architectural Drawing	Prof. Awni Shaaban
AREN3112	Architectural Design II	Dr. Naima Benkari
AREN3211	Architectural Design Theory	Dr. Naima Benkari
AREN3312	Introduction to CAAD	Dr. Chaham Al-Alouch
AREN3811	Building Construction Methods	Dr. Mohamed Hassanien
AREN3815	Sustainable Design in Hot Climates	Prof. Awni Shaaban
AREN4114	Architectural Design IV	Dr. Lama Perera
AREN4305	Interior Design	Dr. Chaham Al Alouch
AREN4813	Building Illumination	Dr. Issa Al-Harthy
AREN4817	Sanitary and Plumbing Design	Dr. Saleh Al Saadi
AREN5116	Graduation Project II	Dr. Saleh Al Saadi
		Dr. Sherif El Gamal
		Dr. Mohamed Hassanien
AREN5819	Specifications and Quantities	Dr. Mohamed Hassanien
CIVL2401	Professional Practice and Ethics	Dr. Lama Perera
CIVL3002	Drawing I	Dr. Issa Al-Harthy
CIVL3002	Drawing I	Dr. Mohammad Meddah



Code	Title	Instructor (s)
CIVL3036	Structures I	Dr. Kazi Abu Sohel
CIVL3056	Surveying	Dr. Ghazi Al-Rawas
CIVL3056	Surveying	Dr. Mahmood Abd El-Gelil
CIVL3056	Surveying	Dr. Mahmood Abd El-Gelil
CIVL3086	Mechanics of Materials	Prof. Khalifa Al-Jabri
CIVL3086	Mechanic of Materials	Dr. Abdullah Al-Saidi
CIVL3096	Construction Materials	Dr. Salim Al-Araimi
CIVL3096	Construction Materials	Dr. Salim Al-Araimi
CIVL3216	Basic Mechanics	Dr. Abdelwahed Mohamed
CIVL4036	Highway Engineering	Dr. Khalid Al-Shamsi
CIVL4036	Highway Engineering	Dr. Khalid Al-Shamsi
CIVL4136	Environmental Engineering I	Dr. Mahad Baawain
CIVL4136	Environmental Engineering I	Dr. Abdullah Al Mamun
CIVL4146	Hydraulics	Dr. Luminda Hewawasam
CIVL4146	Hydraulics	Dr. Luminda Hewawasam
CIVL4206	Concrete Design	Dr. Sherif El Gamal
CIVL4206	Concrete Design	Dr. Ali Al-Nuaimi
CIVL4216	Steelwork Design	Dr. Sayed Waris Ali
CIVL4216	Steelwork Design	Prof. Khalifa Al-Jabri
CIVL4226	Foundation Engineering	Dr. Yahia Zein
CIVL4226	Foundation Engineering	Dr. Yahia Zein
CIVL5146	Numerical Methods	Dr. Mohamed Al-Shahri
CIVL5146	Numerical Methods	Dr. Mohamed Al-Shahri
CIVL5156	Cost Estimating	Dr. Ali Al-Nuaimi
CIVL5226	Airport Design	Dr. Hossam Hassan
CIVL5236	Prestressed Concrete	Prof. Ali Al-Harthi
CIVL5336	Construction Management	Dr. Mubarak Al-Alawi
CIVL5336	Construction Management	Dr. Mubarak Al-Alawi
CIVL5462	Concrete Technology	Dr. Mohammad Meddah
CIVL5993	Research Project I	Dr. Mohamed Al-Shahri
CIVL5995	Project I	Dr. Abdelwahed Mohamed
CIVL5995	Project I	Dr. Hossam Hassan
CIVL5995	Project I	Dr. Ahmed Sana







## **POSTGRADUATE STUDIES**

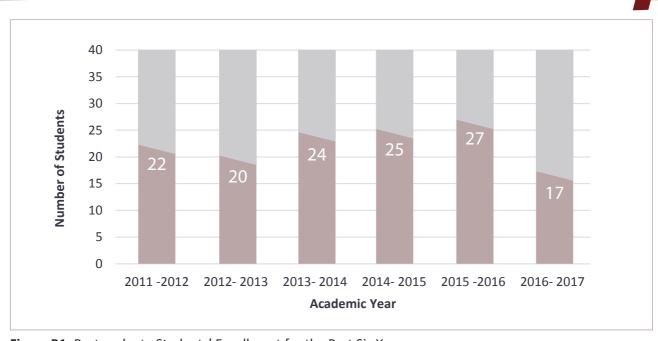


Figure B1: Postgraduate Students' Enrollment for the Past Six Years



## Courses

 Table B5: Postgraduate Courses Offered in Year 2017

Semester	Code	Title	Instructor(s)
	CIVL6110	Advanced Concrete	Dr. Ali Al-Nuaimi
	CIVL6150	Finite Element Method	Dr. Sayid Waris Ali
Spring 2017	CIVL6725	Physical-Chemical Tr	Dr. Abdullah Al Mamun
	CIVL6780	Cont. Trans. Process.	Dr. Mahad Baawain
	CIVL6935	Surface Hydrology	Dr. Ahmed Sana
Fall 2017	CIVL6120	Bridge Structures	Dr. Sayid Waris Ali
	CIVL6170	Structural Dynamics	Dr. Kazi Abu Sohel
	CIVL6380	Geo-environmental	Dr. Yahia Zein
	CIVL6715	Chem. of Water	Dr. Abdullah Al Mamun
	CIVL6760	Solid Waste Manageme	Dr. Mahad Baawain
	CIVL6785	Mun. Dist. Col. Syst	Dr. Ahmed Sana

## **Postgraduate Students' Projects**

Table B6: Students' Projects in Year 2017

No	Name	Project Title		
1	Uhoud Salim Mohammad AL Rawahi	Comparison of Seismic and Wind Actions on Buildings in Oman		
2	Afeef Ahmed Suhail Baqi	Simultaneous Electricity Production and Metal Recovery from Landfill Leachate using Microbial Fuel Cell		
3	Muhanad Khalid Hilal Al Nabhani	Effects of Shear Wall Location and Shape on Required Column Reinforcement and Lateral Displacement of RC Tall Buildings		
4	Mahmood Mohammad Bani Uraba	Analyzing the Climate Change-Induced Variations in Intensity- Duration-Frequency Curves in Tawi Atair, Oman		
5	Abdulraheim AL Hashmi	Laboratory Characterization of Expansive Soil from Adam		
6	Fatima AL Hakamani	Causes, Effects and Remedies of Buildings' Construction Wastes in Oman		
7	Zahran AL Busaidi	Sustainable Risk Based Analysis towards Remediation of a Fractured Aquifer impacted by Crude Oil Spill		
8	Jamal AL Falahi	Experimental Study of the Effect of Scour in Laterally-Loaded Pile Groups		





# **RESEARCH**

## **Grants and Contracts**

 Table B7: New Grants, Contracts and Consultancies by Faculty Members in Year 2017

Research Title	Principal Investigator	Budget (OMR)	Funded by
Characterizing and Modelling of Groundwater Level Increase in Muscat Airport Area	Dr. Mahad Baawain	32,350	Oman Airport
Cooling Load Calculation of A Social Centre Building in Muscat: Phase 1	Dr. Saleh Al-Saadi	3,500	Helmholtz Center Postdam,GFZ
Cooling Load Calculation of A Social Centre Building in Muscat: Phase 2	Dr. Saleh Al-Saadi	2,600	Helmholtz Center Postdam,GFZ
Durability of GFRP Bars after Being Subjected to Harsh Laboratory Environment	Dr. Sherif El-Gamal	1,350	Pultron Composites Middle East
Characterization and Dispersion Modeling of Iron Ore Particles Phase 2	Dr. Mahad Baawain	32,700	Vale



Research Title	Principal Investigator	Budget (OMR)	Funded by
Inspection of HDPE manholes Concerning Court Case No. 454/T/2017	Prof. Ali Al-Harthy	500	Azri Architect
Microbial Electrochemical System for	Dr. Abdullah Al-Mamun	67,000	НМ
Desalination through Sewage Treatment with			
Simultaneous Recovery of Chemical Resources Strengthening of Stone Masonry Structures	Dr. Abdullah AL-Saidy	7,500	IG
using Textile Bonded with Sarooj Mortar	,	.,	
Behavior of Concrete Columns Reinforced with FRP Reinforcement	Dr. Sherif EL Gamal	5,900	IG

### **Publications**

#### **Refereed Journal Papers**

- Abdul-Wahab, S., Al-Rawas, G., Ali, S. and Al-Dhamri, H. 2017. Atmospheric Dispersion Modeling of CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions from a Cement Plant's Sources. Clean Technologies and Environmental Policy, 19(6):1621-1638.
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- 6. Al-Jebouri M.F., Shaaban A.K., Raman S.N. and Rahmat R.A. 2017. Framework of Environmental Rating System for Home Buildings in Oman. *Journal of Architectural Engineering*, 23(2):1-9.
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### **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

#### **Seminars/Short Courses**

- 1. Abu Sohel, K.M. 2017. *Design of Tall Buildings and Affordable Housing*. Presented at the Affordable Housing & Tall Buildings Seminar, Sultan Qaboos University, March, 2017.
- 2. Alalouch, C. 2017. *SpaRe.Life 2017- Green Urban Regeneration International Winter School*. February 2017, Rome, Italy at Sapienza University of Rome.
- 3. Benkari, N. 2017. Sustainable Heritage Management in Oman, Seminar presented in the Research Center for Humanity and Nature. Kyoto Japan, 2017.
- 4. Hago A.W., Al Jabri, K., Baawain, M., Al Maradni, B., Al Rahbi, H. and Ambu Saidi, F. 2017. *Strength of Interlocking Compressed Soil Blocks Produced Using Soil and Production Water from Oil Fields in Oman*. Presented at the Affordable Housing & Tall Buildings Seminar, Sultan Qaboos University, March, 2017.
- 5. Shaban, A. 2017. *Impact of Climatic Environmental Sustainability Issues on the Long Term Development Strategy of Oman*. Linking Oman's Higher Education Institutions with the Public and Private Sectors, Oman Convention Center, May, 2017.
- 6. Shaban, A. 2017. *Inauguration of SQU-Eco House Satge-2. College of Engineering*. February, 2017.

#### **Conferences/Workshops**

- 1. Al Harthy, Ali, Hassan, H., Pervez, T. Student Outcome and Assessment Workshop. Sultan Qaboos University, 27 November, 2017.
- 2. Al-Saadi, S. 2017. Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Systems for Students at SQU through the Independent Learning Center. 8-10 October, 2017.
- 3. Al-Shahri, M. Drones Oman Workshop. Muscat, 27-28 February, 2017.
- 4. Baawain M.S. Municipal Solid Wastes in Oman. International Workshop Waste to Energy organized by Caledonian College of Engineering, Muscat, Oman, April, 2017.
- 5. Baawain, M.S. Wastewater Management in Oman. World Water Day Workshop: Wastewater Treatment & Application, organized by SQU, Muscat, Oman, March, 2017.

#### **Invited Talk/Guest Speaker**

- 1. Alalouch, C. Energy-Conscious Buildings in Hot Climates: Potential and Challenges. Key Note Speech at Alternative & Renewable Energy Quest in Architecture & Urbanism Conference. Polytechnic University of Catalonia (BarcelonaTECH), Barcelona, Spain, February, 2017.
- 2. Al-Jabri, K. Energy Efficient Materials & Sustainable Construction. Invited Speaker at the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Congress on Materials & Structural Stability, Rabat, Morocco, 21-24 November, 2017.
- 3. Al-Jabri, K. Invited Speaker at the 5<sup>th</sup> Fujairah International Industrial Rocks and Mining Forum, Fujairah, UAE, 18-20 April, 2017.
- 4. Al-Rawas, G. Climate Change and Flash Floods in Oman. Invited Speaker at Future Drainage & Stormwater Networks, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, 18-19 April, 2017.
- 5. Al-Rawas, G. Environmental Applications of Remote Sensing and GIS. Invited Speaker at Oman Geospatial Forum 2017, Oman Convention Center, Muscat, April 10-11, 2017.
- 6. Al-Saadi, S. Participation in "Reyooq", a Panel Discussion on Business Opportunities in Energy Sector. Organized by National Business Centre at Oman Oasis Knowledge, 19 September, 2017.
- 7. Baawain, M.S. Environmental Issues and Concerns in Oman. Invited Speaker at the Seventh National Symposium on Engineering Final Year Projects organized by Nizwa University, Nizwa, Oman, May 2017.
- 8. Benkari, N. What Do We Have to Learn from the Architecture of the M'zab?. Invited Speaker at the First International Conference about the Architecture of Sahara: Illizi, Algeria, 26 February-5 March, 2017.

#### **Poster Presentations**

- Al Jabri, K., Hago A.W., M., Ambu Saidi, F., Al Rahbi, H. and Al Maradni, B. 2017. Development of Interlocking Soil-Cement Blocks using Produced Water from PDO Oil Fields. Poster presented at the Oman Exhibitions Center, Research Exhibition organized by Sultan Qaboos University, May 2017, Muscat.
- 2. Shaban, A. 2017. Exhibition, SQU Eco-House Stage-2 Inauguration, 22-23 February, 2017
- 3. Shaban, A. 2017. Oman Mountain Eco-House. Linking Oman's Higher Education Institutions with the Public and Private Sectors, Oman Convention Center, 7-8 May, 2017.
- 4. Shaban, A. 2017. SQU Eco-House Exhibition. Linking Oman's Higher Education Institutions with the Public and Private Sectors, Oman Convention Center, 7-8 May, 2017.

#### **Cooperation with Local and Foreign Organizations**

- 1. Al Harthy, A. ABET Inc., Baltimore Maryland, Engineering Program Evaluation, 4-6 October, 2017.
- 2. Al-Rawas, G. Centre for Development and Environment (CDE) & Institute of Geography, University of Bern, Bern, Switzerland, February, 2017.
- 3. Al-Rawas, G. 2017. Institute of Meteorology. Free University of Berlin, Berlin, Germany, 4-11 February, 2017.
- 4. Al-Shamsi K. Ministry of Transport and Communications, 1 January-31 December 2017.
- 5. Benkari, N. Research Center for Humanity and Nature, Kyoto Japan, 11-19 July, 2017.
- 6. El-Gamal, S.E. Pultrun Composites Middle East, Dubai, UAE, 1 July-30 October 2017.
- 7. Shaban, A. College of Scientific Design, External Examiner, Design-III, 26 December, 2017.
- 8. Shaban, A. Dhufar University, External reviewer of the following programs: Architectural engineering, Interior design, 20 22 December, 2017.
- 9. Shaban, A. SQU Eco-House and Center for Building Energy Research, Iowa State University. Research Project: Impact of Natural Ventilation on the Performance of Sultan Qaboos University Eco-House.

#### **Articles and Interviews in Public Media**

- 1. Alalouch, C. Interview by Khalid Al-Zadjali. Oman Radio, topic: Linking Oman's Higher Educational Institutes with the Public and Private Sectors. Broadcasted life from 2:30-4:00 pm, 8 May, 2017.
- 2. Al-Mamun, A. Interview by Gautam Viswnathan. Discussion on Sultanate Better Prepared to Tackle Cyclones Like GONU. Times of Oman: Article, 4, June, 2017.
- 3. Al-Rawas, G. Interview in the Oman main channel TV program "From Oman" on The 16<sup>th</sup> Regional International Hydrological Programme (IHP) and the 3<sup>rd</sup> general meeting of The Arab Network for the Management of Water Resources in the Arid and Semi-Arid Regions GWADI, Oman Public TV, 17 September, 2017.



- 4. Al-Rawas, G. Interview in the radio program "Good Evening Oman" on Oman Geospatial Forum 2017, Oman Public Radio, 10 April, 2017.
- 5. Al-Rawas, G. Interview in the Second Edition of "The Engineer". Oman Society of Engineers (OSE), May, 2017.
- 6. Al-Rawas, G. Interview in the TV program "Salalah Festival" on IAESTE students' trip to Oman, Majan channel TV, 19 August, 2017.
- 7. Al-Rawas, G. Participation in a Video film on Engineering Graduates Ceremony of Sultan Qaboos University, SQU's in Social Networks (Facebook and Twitter), 5 November, 2017.
- 8. Al-Saadi, S. Participation in "Sustainable Architecture in Oman", a serial radio program delivered by Eng. Ali Al-Lawati, organized by Oman Radio, serial title "Energy efficiency and energy Audit in buildings", 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2017.
- 9. Baawain, M.S. Interview about TRC National Research Award. 30 minutes, Oman TV, 11 December, 2017.
- 10. Benkari, N. Oman's Forts: A Magnificent Defense Network. Online magazine "Sekka", 30 November, 2017.
- 11. Shaban, A. Articles about SQU Eco-House at Local and Regional Newspapers and News Nets, 2017.

#### **Awards**

- 1. Al-Mamun, A. and Baawain, M.S. 2017. Microbial Electrochemical System for Desalination through Sewage Treatment with Simultaneous Recovery of Chemical Resources and Electrical Energy. His Majesty's Trust Fund Award, Amount 67,000 OR (175,000 USD), May 2017- May 2020.
- 2. Baawain, M.S., Al-Mamun, A., Omidvarborna, H. and Al-Amri, W. 2017. National Award for the Best Scientific Research Article on Environment and Biological Research Category I, The Research Council, Sultanate of Oman.
- 3. Shaban, A. 2017. Dean's Award, College of Engineering, SQU, Certificate of Appreciation, for Outstanding Efforts and Contribution to the College.
- 4. Students: Al Mazrooey, G., Al Siyabi, A. and Al Abri A., Supervisor: Alalouch, C. 2017. Third Place in The Design Competition at the MIE Department, College of Engineering, Sultan Qaboos University, Oman, 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2017. Project title: Facility Planning and Improvement for SQU Staff Club.
- 5. Students: Al-Abri. J.M., Al-Mukheini H.M., Al-Breiki, S.S., Al-Mandhari A.H. and Al-Shehri A.A., Supervisor: El-Gamal, S. 2017. First Price in the Load Efficiency Competition in the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual wooden Bridge Competition held at the American University in Dubai (AUD), UAE, 25 March 2017 (5000 AED).
- 6. Students: Al-Balushi, F., Al-Subhi, N., Al-Naaimi, B. and Al-Shammakhi, A., Supervisor: Alalouch, C. 2017. First Place in Envisioning Muscat 2040 competition, 4-5 April 2017, Muscat, Oman. Organized by Muscat Municipality and RIBA.



- 7. Students: Al-Balushi, H., Al-Seed, A., Al-Habsi, S., Al-Hashmi, R., Al-Saifi, S. and Al-Hadhrami, A. Supervisor: Alalouch, C. 2017. Second Place in the Seventh Engineering Gathering Competition. College of Engineering at Sultan Qaboos University 23-27 April 2017. Project title "Eco-pavilion".
- 8. Students: Al-Balushi, H., Al-Seed, A., Al-Habsi, S., Supervisor: Alalouch, C. 2017. First Place in SpaRe.Life 2017- Green Urban Regeneration International Winter School, 6-11 February 2017, Rome, Italy. Organized by Sapienza University of Rome.
- 9. Students: Al-Hashmi, R., Al-Saifi, S., Al-Hashmi, A. and Al-Isaii, R., Supervisor: Alalouch, C. 2017. Second Place in SpaRe.Life 2017- Green Urban Regeneration International Winter School, 6-11 February 2017, Rome, Italy. Organized by Sapienza University of Rome.
- 10. Students: Al-Naimi, B., Al-Balushi, F. and Al Subhi, N., Supervisor: Benkari, N. 2017. First Price in the Competition Organized by RIBA and the Municipality of Muscat to Imagine the Identity of Muscat in 2030.
- 11. Students: Al-Rahbi H.S., Al-Busidi, M.K., Al-Shabibi N.R., Al-Rashdi S.B. and Al-Risi S.A., Supervisor: El-Gamal, S. 2017. First Price in the Target Load Capacity Competition in the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Wooden Bridge Competition held at the American University in Dubai (AUD), UAE, 25 March 2017 (3000 AED).
- 12. Students: Al-Rahbi H.S., Al-Busidi, M.K., Al-Shabibi N.R., Al-Rashdi S.B. and Al-Risi S.A., Supervisor: El-Gamal, S. 2017. Second Price in the Load Efficiency Competition in the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual wooden Bridge Competition held at the American University in Dubai (AUD), UAE, 25 March 2017 (3000 AED).

#### **Students' Activities (Workshops, Short Training Courses and Competitions)**

The Society of Civil and Architectural Engineering (CAES) is an active society in the College of Engineering at Sultan Qaboos University. CAES enables collaboration, knowledge sharing and skill development across Civil and Architectural Engineering disciplines. The Society serves to enhance students' self-assurance and passion for their discipline through exhibitions, seminars and competitions. The society organized the following events in 2017.

- Educational Visit to the New Oman Convention and Exhibition Center (January 2017).
- Civil & Architectural Engineering Carnival (February 2017).
- Social visit to the Royal Hospital (March 2017).
- Beyond Exhibition (April 2017).
- The National Wooden Bridge Competition (April 2017).
- The Civil & Architectural Engineering Graduates Celebration (May 2017).
- CAES Closing Ceremony (May 2017).



# **Electrical and Computer Engineering**



# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering (ECE) is the largest department in the College of Engineering and offers B.Sc, M.Sc, and Ph.D degrees in all streams of Electrical and Computer Engineering disciplines.

The Department provides students with a comprehensive electrical and computer engineering background including four specialized tracks: Computer Systems and Networks (CSN); Communication and Signal Processing (CSP); Electronic Instrumentation and Control (EIC) and Power Systems and Energy (PSE). The Department collaborates with the Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering (MIE) in offering a jointly B.Sc degree in Mechatronics Engineering. Furthermore, a new specialization track in the area of Biomedical Engineering is currently under development.

The undergraduate programs offered by the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering are designed to provide a sound education with solid foundation in basic sciences and electrical engineering. Engineering design concepts are introduced early in the curriculum, with hands-on activities being enriched through required instructional laboratories. The programs impart a broad awareness of social, cultural, and ethical issues together with a good understanding of the role of engineers in the community, leading to an internationally recognized degree. The programs offered by the Department have been developed based on the criteria and recommendations of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET), based in the USA. As a result, the undergraduate programs are ABET accredited.

The ECE faculty conducts research in various areas including communication systems, computer architectures and networks, control systems, electrical power systems, renewable energy, microgrids, smart grid, electronic instrumentation, network security, wireless communications, high-voltage engineering, power electronics, embedded systems, PLC and industrial automation, SCADA, robotics, signal processing, biomedical signals and devices, etc.

The research laboratories at the ECE Department are available for undergraduate as well as postgraduate students. The graduate programs allow students to deepen their professional knowledge, and enhance their communication and hands-on skills.

Being the recipient of several internal and external research grants and contracts in collaboration with local industries and organizations, the Department is a masthead of excellence in the College of Engineering. During the year, ECE faculty offered many professional short courses and invited talks, organized and delivered several training workshops and seminars.

D uring this year, the following faculty joined the Department: Dr. Ahmed Chiheb Ammari Associate Professor in the CSN track, Dr. Osman Elgawi Assistant Professor in CSN track, Dr. Firdous Kausar Assistant Professor in CSN track, and Dr Razzaqul Ahsan Assistant Professor in PSE track. Also, Prof. Abdullah Al-Badi went on a Sabbatical leave starting from September 2017.

E CE students along with the Department staff are the backbone of our department's achievements and are also engaged in academic and professional activities. The IEEE Students Society Branch in the Department regularly organizes workshops and activities for the benefit of students and undertakes students' projects which have won the Department acclaim in international student gatherings. Also, the Mechatronics Society which is related to both ECE and MIE departments has similar activities, but related to the mechatronics area.

Dr. Nasser Hosseinzadeh HoD, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, College of Engineering



- ECE provides broad knowledge of electrical and computer engineering with additional focused expertise in a specific specialization from among computer systems and networks, communication and signal processing, electronic instrumentation and control, and power systems and energy.
- ECE program provides learning beset with deep theoretical concepts along with hands-on activities



# **SUMMARY**

Table C1: Summary

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	2016	2017
Faculty	37	37
Support staff	16	17
Total	53	54
On-study leave	2	1
Undergraduate Program		
Enrollment (Y2-5)	446	438
Courses offered	130	143
Graduates	91	84
<b>Graduate Program</b>		
Enrollment	22	15
Courses offered	16	17
Graduates	8	8
Research		
Grants	11	8
Publications		
Refereed journals	25	33
Conference proceedings	20	41





#### Dr. Nasser Hosseinzadeh

Associate Professor, Head of the Department

Research Interests: Electrical Power Systems, Smart Grid, Microgrids, Power Systems Stability, Engeering Education

#### Dr. Abdullah Al-Badi

Professor

Research Interests: Renewable Energy Systems, Electrical Machine Drives, Power Electronics, Power Quality, Interference and High Voltage

#### Dr. Hadj Bourdoucen

Professor, Dean of the College of Engineering

Research Interests: Intelligent Instrumentation, QoS in Cellular Systems, FOSS Deployment, ICT, Integrated Electronics and REs



#### Dr. Abdulnasir Hossen

Professor, Director of the Communication and Information Research Centre

Research Interests: Digital Signal Processing, Biomedical Signal Processing, Digital Communication, Artificial

Intelligence, Neural Networks

#### **Dr. Ibrahim Metwally**

Professor

Research Interests: Electromagnetic Fields, Coronas, Transients in Power Systems, Power Quality, Overvoltage Protection, Gas-Insulated Switchgear and Lines, Stray-Current Corrosion

#### Dr. Afaq Ahmad

Professor

Research Interests: Digital System Design and Test, Fault-Tolerant Computing, System Modelling and Analysis, Coding Theory, Error Detection

#### Dr. Zia Nadir

Associate Professor, Assistant Head of the Department

Research Interests: Electromagnetic Compatibility, Electronics, RF Communication Systems





Dr. Joseph Jervase

**Associate Professor** 

Research Interests: Microwave Antennas and Propagation

Dr. Arif Malik

**Associate Professor** 

Research Interests: Energy Policy and Planning

Dr. Faical Mnif

**Associate Professor** 

Research Interests: Control Systems, Robotics

Dr. Lazhar Khriji

**Associate Professor** 

Research Interests: Signal and Image Processing and Analysis, Nonlinear Filtering, Adaptive Filtering, Image Coding, Artificial Intelligence, Hardware Implementation of DSP Algorithms





#### Dr. Hassan Yousef

**Associate Professor** 

Research Interests: Intelligent and Adaptive Control, Fuzzy Control Applications to Electric Machine Drives and Power Systems, Large-Scale Systems, Nonlinear Control, High Performance Motion Control of Electric Machines

#### Dr. Muhammed Shafiq

**Associate Professor** 

Research Interests: Tracking of Non-Linear Dynamic Systems, Adaptive Control, Tracking and Control of Robotics

#### Dr. Hisham Soliman

**Associate Professor** 

Research Interests: Robust Control, Optimization, Large-Scale Systems, Control Application of Power System and Drive

#### Dr. Mustafa Mesbah

**Associate Professor** 

Research Interests: Signals and Systems, Biomedical Signal Processing







Dr. Tariq Jamil

**Associate Professor** 

Research Interests: Computer Architecture, Parallel Processing, Digital Systems, Computer Arithmetic, Information Technology

#### Dr. Mohammad H. Al-Badi

**Associate Professor** 

Research Interests: Renewable Energy and Distributed Generation, Distribution Systems, Demand-Side Management, Power System Operation and Planning, Power System Economics

#### Dr. Amer Al-Hinai

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Power Systems- Control and Operation, Multi-Agent Systems: Application of Control to Power Systems, Optimization Techniques and Applications to Power Systems

#### Dr. Ahmed C. Ammari

Associate Professor

Research Interests: Embedded Systems, Real Time Systems, Inductive Wireless Data and Power Transfer, Hybrid Electric Energy Storage Systems, System level Modeling and Optimization





#### Dr. Fahad Bait-Shiginah

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Modelling and Simulation, Discrete Event System Specification (DEVS), Cellular Space Modelling, Artificial Intelligence, Database and Software Engineering

#### Dr. Dawood Al-Abri

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Communications, Computer Networks

#### Dr. Mohammad Bait-Suwailam

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Wireless Communication Systems, Applications of Electromagnetics in Antennas and High-Speed Printed Circuit boards

#### Dr. Amir Abdulghani

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Wireless and Mobile Communications, Signal Processing, Information Technology







Dr. Ahmed Al-Maashari

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Computer Networking, Microprocessors, Software Developments

#### Dr. Rashid Al-Abri

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Power Electronics and Drives, Power System Quality, Sustainable and Renewable Energy, Power System Stability

#### Dr. Hassan Al-Lawati

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Antennas and Propagation, Wireless Communication

#### Dr. Nasser Tarhuni

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Wireless Communication, Digital Signal Processing, Optical CDMA, Wireless Sensor Networks, Applications of Signal Processing





#### Dr. Medhat Hussein Awadalla

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Computer Engineering, Computer Systems, Real-Time Systems, Parallel Processing

#### Dr. Mahmood Masoud

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Electrical Machine Drives, Multiphase Machines, Power Electronics Applications, Applications of Renewable Energy Systems on Machines and Power Electronics

#### Dr. Ashraf Saleem

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Modeling, Identification and Control of Mechatronics Systems

#### Dr. Abdelsalam Elhaffar

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Power Systems Protections





#### Dr. Razzaqul Ahshan

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Smart Grid, Renewable Energy, Microgrids, Integration of Renewable Generation to Power Systems, Control and Instrumentation

#### Dr. Osman Elgawi

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Embedded Systems and Industrial Electronics, Robotics and Automation

#### Sayyed Dr. Samir Al Busaidi

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Optical Communication Systems, Telecommunications

#### **Dr. Firdous Kausar**

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Network and Information Security, Wireless Sensor Networks



Eng. Salem Al-Hinai

Lecturer

Research Interests: Power Systems and Protection, Control Systems

Eng. Taha Al-Saadi

Demonstrator

Research Interest: Control Systems

Eng. Said Al-Abri

Lecturer (on study leave)

Research Interest: Communication, Control Systems

Eng. Saleh Al-Yazidi

Department Superintendent

Research Interest: Electronics





Eng. Khalaf Al-Ufi

Chief Engineer A

Research Interest: Electronics

Mr. Suleiman Al-Kalbani

Lab Supervisor A

Research Interest: High-Voltage

Mr. Mohammad Al-Harrasi

Lab Supervisor B

Research Interest: Electrical Machines

Eng. Saleem Al-Rashdi

Chief Engineer A

Research Interest: Electrical Machines



Eng. Jaber Al-Balushi

Senior Engineer B

Research Interest: Digital Logic Design

Eng. Suleiman Al-Sinani

Engineer A

Research Interest: Electrical Machines

Mr. Iftaquaruddin Mohammad

Technician

Research Interests: Digital Chips, Information Technology

Eng. Yousef Al-Shuaili

Senior Engineer B

Research Interest: Control Systems





Eng. Abbas Teirab

Engineer B

Research Interests: Antennas, Communication Systems

Eng. Nabil Hamza

Lab Supervisor C

Research Interest: Digital Logic Design

Mr. Sami Al-Jaafari

Technician

Research Interest: Electronics

Eng. Rona Allwyn

Engineer B

Research Interest: Electrical Machines





Eng. Naeema Al-Gaithi

Engineer B

Research Interest: Electronics

Mrs. Salwa Al-Bahri

Technician C

Research Interest: Electronics

Mr. Said Al-Hajri

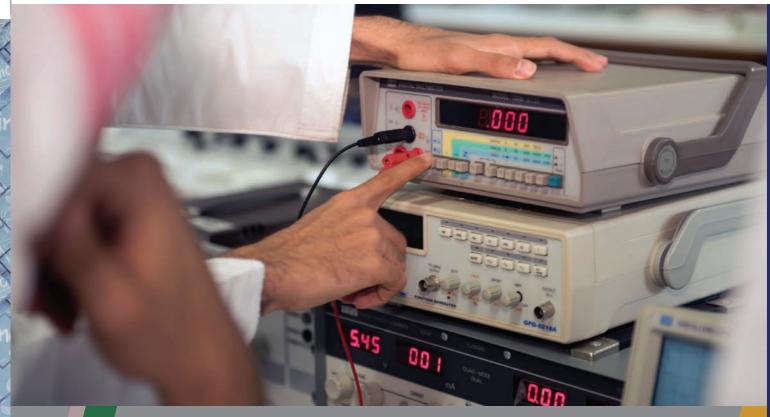
IT Officer

Research Interests: Information Technology, Computer Networks

Mrs. Laila Al-Hosni

**Administrative Staff** 





# **DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEES**

#### Table C2: Departmental Committees

Dr. Faical Mnif (Chair)  Prof. Afaq Ahmed  Dr. Naser Tarhuni  Accreditation Committee  Dr. Abdulsalam Elhaffar
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Accreditation Committee Dr. Abdulsalam Elhaffar
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Dr. Ashraf Saleem
Dr. Dawood Al Abri
Mr. Iftaquaruddin Mohammad (secretary)
Dr. Ahmed Al-Maashri (Chair)
Dr. Joseph Jervase
Strategic Planning Committee  Dr. Nasser Hosseinzadeh
Dr. Mohammad Al-Badi
Prof. Afaq Ahmed (Chair)
Dr. Zia Nadir
Student Advising Committee  Dr. Mustefa Mesbah
Eng. Salem Al-Hinai

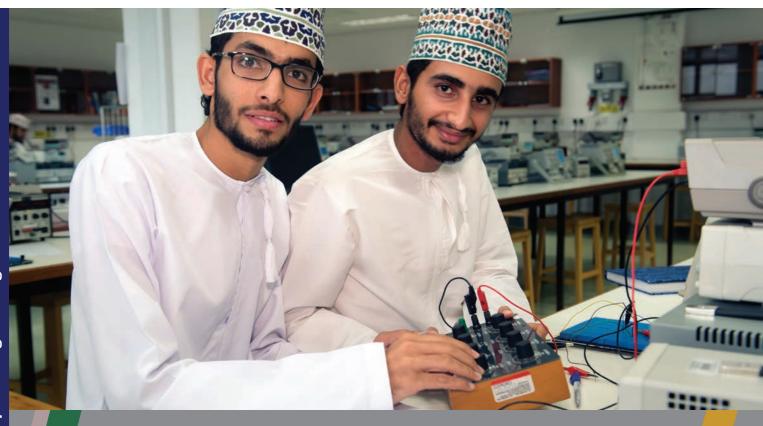


	Dr. Zia Nadir (Chair)
	Prof. Abdulnaser Hossen
	Prof. Afaq Ahmad
Curriculum Review and Student Advisement	Prof. Ibrahim Metwally
	Dr. Hassan Yousef
Committee	Dr. Joseph Jervase
	Dr. Faical Mnif
	Dr. Mustefa Mesbah (Postgraduate)
	Eng. Salem Al-Hinai
	Dr. Hassan Yousef (Chair)
	Dr. Lazhar Khariji
	Dr. Medhat Hussein
	Dr. Abdulsalam Elhaffar
	Mr. Salem Al-Hinai
Final-Year Projects	Mr. Jabir Al-Hillal
	Mr. Nabil Hamza
	Mr. Said Al-Hajri
	Mr. Iftiquar Mohammad
	Dr. Mahmood Masoud (Chair)
	Dr. Mustefa Mesbah
	Dr. Fahad Bait-Shiginah
Laboratories and Teaching Facilities	Dr. Razzagul Ahshan
	Mr. Said Al-Hajri
	Mr. Saleh Al-Yazidi (Superintendent)
	Mr. Khalaf Al-Ufi
	Dr. Lazhar Khariji (Chair)
Health, Safety and Environment Committee	Mr. Suleiman Al-Kalbani
	Mr. Sami Al-Jaafari
	Dr. Nasser Hosseinzadeh (Chair)
	Dr. Fahad Bait-Shiginah (D. Chair)
Human Resources Committee	Dr. Amer Al-Hinai
	Sayyid Dr. Samer Al-Busaidi
	Dr. Faical Mnif
	Di. Talcal Willi



	Dr. Nasser Hosseinzadeh (Chair)	
Industrial Advisory Board Committee	Dr. Fahad Bait-Shiginah	
	Dr. Amer Al-Hinai	
Industrial Outreach and Community	Sayyid Dr. Samer Al-Busaidi (Chair)	
Relations	Dr. Amer Al-Hinai	
Relations	Dr. Amir Abdulghani	
	Dr. Amir Abdulghani (Chair)	
Community Services and Publicity Committee	Dr. Rashid Al-Abri	
	Dr. Firdous Kausar	
	Dr. Tariq Jamil (Chair)	
Publication and Web Committee	Dr. Arif Malik	
rubilcation and web committee	Dr. Ahmed C. Ammari	
	Mr. Said Al-Hajri	
	Dr. Mustefa Mesbah (Chair)	
	Dr. Hisham Soleiman	
Postgraduate Studies and Research Committee	Dr. Ahmed Al-Maashri	
	Dr. Lazhar Khariji	
	Dr. Mohammad Al-Badi	
	Dr. Naser Tarhuni (Chair)	
Student Societies and Social Activities	Dr. Mohammad Bait-Suwailam	
	Dr. Medhat Hussein	
Committee	Dr. Firdous Kausar	
	Mr. Taha Al-Saadi	
	Dr. Nasser Hosseinzadeh (Chair)	
Student Staff Liaison Committee	Dr. Zia Nadir (Assistant Head)	
Student Stan Liaison Committee	Mr. Salem Al-Hinai	
	Selected students from cohorts	
	Dr. Hassan Al Lawati ( Chair)	
Timetabling Committee	Dr. Rashid Al-Abri	
	Dr. Dawood Al-Abri	
	Mr. Saleh Al-Yazidi (Superintendent)	
	Mr. Abbas Tirab	
	Mrs. Laila Al-Husni	
Coordinators and IT Support	Mrs. Theresa Ragudo (Left in June 2017)	
	Mr. Said Al-Hajri	





# **UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES**

#### **Courses**

Table C3: Courses Offered in Spring 2017

Code	Title	Instructor(s)
ECCE2016	Circuit Analysis I	Dr. Mahmood Masoud
ECCE2016	Circuit Analysis I	Dr. Razzaqul Ahshan
ECCE2016	Circuit Analysis I	Dr. Khalid Ellithy
ECCE3015	Electrical Engineering Fundamentals	Dr. Mohammad Magdy
ECCE3015	Electrical Engineering Fundamentals	Dr. Hisham Soliman
ECCE3015	Electrical Engineering Fundamentals	Dr. Hisham Soliman
ECCE3016	Circuit Analysis II	Dr. Mohammad Magdy
ECCE3016	Circuit Analysis II	Prof. Ibrahim Metwally
ECCE3016	Circuit Analysis II	Dr. Khalid Ellithy
ECCE3022	Electromagnetics I	Dr. Hassan Al-Lawati
ECCE3022	Electromagnetics I	Dr. Hassan Al-Lawati
ECCE3038	Electrical Measurements and Instrumentation	Mr. Taha Al-Saadi





Code	Title	Instructor(s)
ECCE3142	Signals and Systems	Dr. Amir Mohamed Abdulghani
ECCE3142	Signals and Systems	Dr. Husam Fahmi
ECCE3152	Electronics I	Dr. Zia Nadir
ECCE3152	Electronics I	Dr. Lazhar Khriji
ECCE3206	Digital Logic Design	Dr. Tariq Jamil
ECCE3206	Digital Logic Design	Sayyed Dr. Samir Al Busaidi
ECCE3206	Digital Logic Design	Sayyed Dr. Samir Al Busaidi
ECCE3258	Applied Engineering Programming	Dr. Fahad Bait Shiginah
ECCE3352	Electrical Technology	Dr. Razzaqul Ahshan
ECCE4009	Engineering Design and Professional Skills	Dr. Joseph Jervase
ECCE4009	Engineering Design and Professional Skills	Dr. Mohammad Shafiq
ECCE4022	Electromagnetics II	Dr. Mohammad M. Bait-Suwailam
ECCE4080	Seminar and Field work	Mr. Salim Mohammad Al-Hinai
ECCE4082	Professional skills	Mr. Salim Mohammad Al-Hinai
ECCE4082	Professional skills	Mr. Salim Mohammad Al-Hinai
ECCE4122	Principles of Analog and Digital Communications	Dr. Amir Mohamed Abdulghani
ECCE4122	Principles of Analog and Digital Communications	Dr. Joseph Jervase
ECCE4126	Principles of Digital Communications	Dr. Nasser Tarhuni
ECCE4142	Digital Signal Processing	Dr. Mustefa Mesbah
ECCE4158	Electronics II	Dr. Zia Nadir
ECCE4158	Electronics II	Prof. Hadj Bourdoucen
ECCE4227	Embedded Systems	Dr. Osman Elgawi
ECCE4227	Embedded Systems	Dr. Osman Elgawi
ECCE4227	Embedded Systems	Dr. Husam Fahmi
ECCE4242	Introduction to Computer Networks	Dr. Ahmed Al-Maashri
ECCE4242	Introduction to Computer Networks	Dr. Dawood Al Abri
ECCE4254	Operating Systems	Dr. Medhat Hussein
ECCE4255	Applied Programming and Algorithms for Engineers	Dr. Fahad Bait Shiginah
ECCE4272	Artificial Intelligence	Prof. Abdulnasir Hossen
MCTE4210	Power Electronics & Drives	Dr. Mohammad Magdy
ECCE4312	Power System Analysis I	Dr. Amer Al Hinai



Code	Title	Instructor(s)
ECCE4316	Power System Analysis II	Dr. Nasser Hosseinzadeh
ECCE4358	Electrical Machines	Dr. Mahmood Masoud
ECCE4416	Linear Control Systems	Dr. Mustefa Mesbah
ECCE4416	Linear Control Systems	Dr. Hassan Yousef
ECCE4416	Linear Control Systems	Dr. Faisal Mnif
ECCE4436	Industrial Control System Design	Dr. Muhammed Shafiq
ECCE4455	Sensors and Actuators	Dr. Ashraf Saleem
ECCE4467	Power Electronics and Drives	Dr. Rashid Said Al-Abri
ECCE5004	Engineering Management and Economics I	Dr. Arif Saed Malik
ECCE5004	Engineering Management and Economics I	Dr. Rashid Said Al-Abri
ECCE5099	Project (Part II)	Dr. Hassan Yousef
ECCE5099	Project (Part II)	Dr. Hassan Yousef
ECCE5099	Project (Part II)	Dr. Hassan Yousef
ECCE5124	Wireless Communications	Dr. Nasser Tarhuni
ECCE5143	Advanced Digital Signal Processing	Dr. Lazhar Khriji
ECCE5160	Antenna Modelling	Dr. Mohammad Bait-Suwailam
ECCE5214	Advanced Logic and Computer Interfacing	Dr. Afaq Ahmad
ECCE5215	Computing Systems for Engineering Applications	Dr. Ahmed Al Maashri
ECCE5223	Advanced Embedded Systems Design	Dr. Husam Fahmi
ECCE5231	Industrial Networks and Operating Systems	Dr. Medhat Hossein
ECCE5232	Computer Architecture and Organization I	Dr. Tariq Jamil
ECCE5282	Computer Network Security	Dr. Dawood Al Abri
ECCE5302	Power System Protection	Dr. Abdelsalam Elhaffar
ECCE5303	Power Distribution System Engineering	Dr. Khalid Ellithy
ECCE5332	High Voltage Engineering	Prof. Ibrahim Metwally
ECCE5422	Selected Topics in Control Systems	Dr. Hisham Soliman
ECCE5445	Control Systems Design	Dr. Faical Mnif
ENGR6911	Engineering Management	Dr. Arif Saed Malik
ENGR1501	Introduction to Engineering	Mr. Taha Al-Saadi



Table C4: Courses Offered in Fall 2017

Code	Title	Instructor(s)
ECCE2001	Electricity Generation from Solar Photovoltaics	Dr. Rashid Al Abri
ECCE2016	Circuit Analysis I	Dr. Arif Malik
ECCE2016	Circuit Analysis I	Dr. Hassan Al-Lawati
ECCE2016	Circuit Analysis I	Dr. Mohammad Magdy
ECCE2016	Circuit Analysis I	Dr. Mohammad Magdy
ECCE3015	Electrical Engineering Fundamentals	Dr. Razzaqul Ahshan
ECCE3015	Electrical Engineering Fundamentals	Dr. Khalid Ellithy
ECCE3016	Circuit Analysis II	Prof. Ibrahim Metwally
ECCE3016	Circuit Analysis II	Dr. Tariq Jamil
ECCE3016	Circuit Analysis II	Dr. Mohammad Magdy
ECCE3016	Circuit Analysis II	Dr. Mohammad Magdy
ECCE3022	Electromagnetics I	Dr. Mohammad M. Bait-Suwailam
ECCE3022	Electromagnetics I	Dr. Hassan Al-Lawati
ECCE3038	Electrical Measurements and Instrumentation	Dr. Ashraf Saleem
ECCE3038	Electrical Measurements and Instrumentation	Dr. Hassan Yousef
ECCE3142	Signals and Systems	Dr. Mustafa Mesbah
ECCE3142	Signals and Systems	Dr. Mustafa Mesbah
ECCE3152	Electronics I	Dr. Zia Nadir
ECCE3152	Electronics I	Dr. Naser Tarhuni
ECCE3206	Digital Logic Design	Dr. Fahad Bait Shiginah
ECCE3206	Digital Logic Design	Dr. Osman Elgawi
ECCE3206	Digital Logic Design	Dr. Afaq Ahmed
ECCE3258	Applied Engineering Programming	Dr. Medhat Hussein
ECCE3258	Applied Engineering Programming	Dr. Medhat Hussein
ECCE3352	Electrical Technology	Dr. Hisham Soliman
ECCE3352	Electrical Technology	Dr. Khalid Ellithy
ECCE4009	Engineering Design	Dr. Mohammad Shafiq
ECCE4009	Engineering Design	Dr. Joseph Jervase
ECCE4022	Electromagnetics II	Dr. Mohammad M. Bait-Suwailam
ECCE4082	Professional Skills	Mr. Salim Mohammad Al-Hinai



Code	Title	Instructor(s)
ECCE4082	Professional Skills	Mr. Salim Mohammad Al-Hinai
ECCE4122	Analog and Digital Communications	Dr. Amir Mohamed Abdulghani
ECCE4142	Digital Signal Processing	Prof. Abdulnasir Yahya Hossen
ECCE4158	Electronics II	Dr. Zia Nadir
ECCE4158	Electronics II	Dr. Ahmed Chiheb Ammari
ECCE4227	Embedded System	Dr. Ahmed Chiheb Ammari
ECCE4227	Embedded System	Dr. Osman Elgawi
ECCE4227	Embedded System	Dr. Ahmed Said Al-Maashri
ECCE4242	Introduction to Computer Networks	Dr. Ahmed Said Al Maashri
ECCE4312	Power System Analysis I	Dr. Abdelsalam Elhaffar
ECCE4312	Power System Analysis I	Dr. Mohammad Al-Badi
ECCE4316	Power System Analysis II	Dr. Amer Al Hinai
ECCE4358	Electrical Machines	Dr. Razzaqul Ahshan
ECCE4358	Electrical Machines	Dr. Mahmood Masoud
ECCE4416	Linear Control Systems	Dr. Hisham Soliman
ECCE4416	Linear Control Systems	Mr. Taha Al-Saadi
ECCE4422	Digital Control Systems	Dr. Hassan Yousef
ECCE4467	Power Electronics and Drives	Dr. Mahmood Masoud
ECCE5004	Engineering Management and Economics I	Dr. Arif Saeed Malik
ECCE5009	Project (Part I)	Dr. Hassan Yousef
ECCE5009	Project (Part I)	Dr. Hassan Yousef
ECCE5009	Project (Part I)	Dr. Hassan Yousef
ECCE5112	Antennas	Dr. Joseph Jervase
ECCE5123	Optical Communications	Sayyed Dr. Samir Al Busaidi
ECCE5142	Image and Video Processing	Dr. Lazhar Khriji
ECCE5213	Fault-Tolerant Computing Systems	Prof. Afaq Ahmad
ECCE5231	Industrial Networks and Operating Systems	Dr. Firdous Kausar
ECCE5242	Advanced Computer Networks	Dr. Dawood Al Abri
ECCE5265	Database Systems	Dr. Firdous Kausar
ECCE5302	Power System Protection	Dr. Abdelsalam Elhaffar
ECCE5312	Power Systems Control and Stability	Dr. Nasser Hosseinzadeh





Code	Title	Instructor(s)
ECCE5332	High Voltage Engineering	Prof. Ibrahim Metwally
ECCE5443	Optimization Techniques in Engineering	Dr. Faical Mnif
ECCE5452	Computer Aided Instrumentations	Prof. Hadj Bourdoucen
ENGR1501	Introduction to Engineering	Mr. Taha Al-Saadi
ENGR2216	Fortran Programming for Engineers	Dr. Tariq Jamil
ENGR2216	Fortran Programming for Engineers	Dr. Medhat Hussein
MCTE3110	Electronics	Dr. Lazhar Khriji
MCTE3210	Electromechanical Systems and Actuators	Dr. Ashraf Saleem
MCTE4155	Instrumentation & Measurements	Dr. Faical Mnif
MCTE4250	Linear Control Systems	Dr. Khalid Ellithy





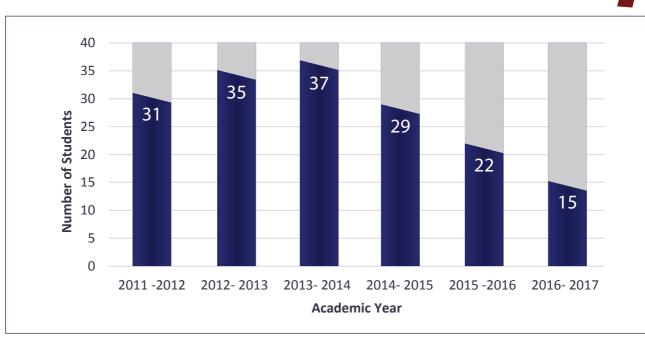


Figure C1: Postgraduate Students' Enrollment for the Past Six Years





# Courses

 Table C5: Postgraduate Courses Offered in Year 2017

Semester	Code	Title	Instructor(s)
	ECCE6122	Digital Signal Processing	Prof. Abdulnasir Hossen
	ECCE6213	Directed Studies	Dr. Mohammad Bait-Suwailam
	ECCE6284	Reliability & Fault-Tolerant Systems	Prof. Afaq Ahmed
Carina 2017	ECCE6335	Special Topics in Power	Dr. Abdelsalam Elhaffar
Spring 2017	ECCE6423	Optimal Control Systems	Dr. Hassan Yousef
	ENGR6920	Renewable Energy Systems	Prof. Abdullah Al Bad
	ECCE7000	Project	Dr. Ahmed Al-Maashri
	ECCE8001	PhD Thesis	Prof. Afaq Ahmad
	ECCE6124	Digital Transmission	Dr. Naser Tarhuni
	ECCE6244	Network Analysis: Theory and Applications	Dr. Dawood Al Abri
	ECCE6213	Directed Studies	Dr. Mohammad Al Badi
	ECCE6315	Power System Analysis	Dr. Mohammad Al Badi
Fall 2017	ECCE6132	Linear System Theory	Dr. Mohammad Shafiq
	ECCE6430	Advanced Power Electronics	Dr. Rashid Al Abri
	ECCE6261	Advanced Modeling and Simulation	Dr. Fahad Bait Shiginah
	ECCE7000	Project	Dr. Ahmed Al Maashri
	ECCE8001	PhD Thesis	Prof. Afaq Ahmad



# Postgraduate Students' Projects

 Table C6: SStudents' Projects in Year 2017

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No	Name	Project Title		
1	MSc: Nusaiba AL Azri	Design and Simulation of Antenna Array for Vehicle		
		Collision Avoidance Radar System		
2	MSc: Zahra AL Abri	Deployment of SDN on Cloud Computing for Distance		
		Learning Application		
3	MSc: Sara AL Asadi	Identification of Obstructive Sleep Apnea Using Artificial		
		Neural Networks and Wavelet Packet Decomposition for		
		Heart Rate Variability Signal		
4	MSc: Asma AL Kindi	Analysis of Malware Propagation Behavior in Social		
		Internet of Things		
5	MSc: Asma Boudellioua	Enhancement of Ultra-Wideband Microwave Imaging		
		Antenna System for Breast Cancer Detection Using		
		Metamaterials		
6	MSc: Mayada Shadoul Mohammad	Modeling, Analysis and Control Desing for Microgrid		
		Inverter		
7	MSc Rona George Allwyn	Optimization of PV/Battery System for Street Lighting		
		and feasibility Study in Oman		
8	PhD: Abdullah Salim Humaid Al Shereiqi	Energy Management System for Hybrid Renewable Power		
		Plant		





# **RESEARCH**

# **Grants and Contracts**

 Table C7: : New Grants, Contracts and Consultancies by Faculty Members in Year 2017

Research Title	Principal Investigator(s)	Budget (OMR)	Funded by
Optimal Design Configuration of an Organic Ranking Cycle Using Waste Heat and Solar Energy in Hot Arid Areas	Dr. Nasser Al-Azri	4,850	SQU
Study of Electromagnetic radiation pollution in Oman - SQU as a case study.	Dr. Hassan Al Lawati	3,100	SQU
Microgrid Systems for Application in Oman.	Dr. Razzaqul Ahshan	4,400	SQU
Development of a Microgrid Test Setup.	Dr. Razzaqul Ahshan	3,000	SQU
Development of Energy Management System for Dispatchable Renewable Power Generation	Dr. Amer Al-Hinai	64,000	HM Trust Fund
Management of Renewable Energy Sources in Preparation for a Smart Grid in Oman	Dr. Nasser Hosseinzadeh	30.000	BP Oman



Research Title	Principal Investigator(s)	Budget (OMR)	Funded by
Development of Hardware Logic using Verilog HDL	Dr. Ahmed Al Maashri	3,000	Government of Oman
Deployment of a Self-Adjusted Tethered Helium Balloon Antennas Prototype for Omantel's Mobile Sites	Dr. Ahmed Al Maashri	10,000	Omantel
Design and Implementation of Wireless Charging System for Mobile Phones	Dr. Mohammad Bait- Suwailam	5,000	The Research Council, Oman

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# **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

# **Seminars**

- Ahmad, A. 2017. Report Writing Tips and Skills, ECE Department FYP, Feb. 12, 2017.
- Al-Badi, A.H., Bahdour, I. and Ahmad, A. 2017. Seminar and Panel Discussion Advising for Students' Success, Academic Advising Seminar for Faculty Members, College of Engineering, Sultan Qaboos University, Sultanate of Oman, 16 March 2017.
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# **Cooperation with Local and Foreign Organizations**

- Abdulghani, A. 2016. Collaborated with Al Musanna College of Technology, Ministry of Manpower, in Knowledge and Experience Sharing Related to Latest Engineering Education and Information Technology.
- Al Maashri, A. 2016. Collaborated with Sas Virtual Reality Center, Information Technology Authority (ITA) in Running Workshops, Research, and Student Projects Related to Virtual Reality and Augmented Reality Applications.
- Jamil, T., visited University of Manchester (UK) and University of Heidelberg (Germany) on invitation to visit SpiNNaker and BrainScale labs on October 30, 2017 and November 3, 2017 respectively.
- Metwally, I. and Al-Badi, M. 2016. Collaborated with many leading national electrical power companies in Oman, including Rural Areas, Muscat, Mazoon, Majan and Oman Transmission Electricity Companies in organizing several workshops related to establishing a sustainable and unique projects in the electrical power and energy area.

# **Short Courses and Workshops**

- Dr. Hassan Al-Lawati delivered a lecture on Electromagnetic Spectrum in cooperation with the Command and Staff College on the 21<sup>st</sup> of December 2017.
- Dr. Joseph Jervase and Dr. Mohammad M. Bait-Suwailam, Fundamentals of VHF/UHF Radio Communication
   Systems. A short course delivered to Oman Royal Air Force, Sultan Qaboos University, 21 25 May, 2017.
- Dr. Mohammad M. Bait-Suwailam delivered a Seminar on Electricity and Electronics to Military Forces in Oman, Sultan Qaboos University, 19 December 2017.
- Dr. Naser Tarhuni delivered the 31<sup>st</sup> Science and Technology Training Course, Sultan Qaboos University, Center for Community Services & Continuing Education, 17-21 Dec. 2017

#### **Invited Talks**

- Dr. Ahmed Al Maashri (Keynote / Invited Speech), QoS Monitoring System for Mobile Networks in Oman, TRC's 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Research Forum, December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017, Sheraton, Ruwi, Oman.
- Dr. Ahmed Al Maashri (Keynote / Invited Speech), Augmented Reality, 7th Technical Forum, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017, SQU, Oman.



- Dr. Ahmed Al Maashri (Keynote / Invited Speech), the Long and Inevitable Road to FOSS Deployment in Oman: Opportunities, Challenges, and Caveats, 3<sup>rd</sup> Free and Open Source Conference, February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017, SQU, Oman.
- Dr. Afaq Ahmad (Keynote / Invited Speech), Challenges for Test and Fault Tolerance Due to Convergence
  of Electronics, Semiconductor Systems and Computing. Int'l Conference on Infocom Technologies and
  Unmanned Systems (ICTUS'2017) (Trends and Future Directions) IEEE Conference Record Number 42058.
  Int'l Academic City of UAE, Dubai. December 18-20, 2017
- Dr. Mohammad Al-Badi, Renewable Energy in Electricity Sector Status and Future Perspectives, 1<sup>st</sup> Environmental Symposium on Renewable Energy, December 28, 2017, Ministry of Environment and Claimant Affairs, Muscat, Oman.
- Dr. Mohammad Al-Badi, Electricity Sector in Oman Status and Furfure Perspectives, 26 September 2017,
   Joint Workshop between Oman and Korea on Energy Infrastructure Cooperation. Intercontinental Hotel,
   Muscat, Oman.
- Dr. Mohammad M. Bait-Suwailam, IEEE and its Benefits to Non-Engineering Students, Muscat College, Muscat, February 2017.
- Dr. Naser Tarhuni, 5G Mobile Systems: Seeking more capacity vision and challenges, Emerging Trends in Telecommunication Technologies and Services- Benefits & Scope in Oman, Caledonian College of Engineering, 26<sup>th</sup> April 2017.
- Dr. Naser Tarhuni, Capacity-Enhancing Technologies for 5G Mobile Systems, Presented to Al-Madar Mobile Company Engineers, Libya, 7<sup>th</sup> August 2017.
- Dr. Naser Tarhuni, Overview of Optical Communication, Presented to Al-Madar Mobile Company Engineers, Libya, 9<sup>th</sup> August 2017.

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- Dr. Ashraf Saleem, Distinguished Teaching Excellence Award, College of Engineering, University Day, Sultan Qaboos University, 2 May 2017.



- Dr. Mahmood I. Masoud, Best paper award. IEEE Global Engineering Education Conference (EDUCON), Athens, Greece. April 2017.
- Dr. Mohammad M. Bait-Suwailam, National Research Award, *Best Paper Award from The Research Council*, Sultanate of Oman, 10 December 2017.
- Dr. Mohammad M. Bait-Suwailam, Certificate of Appreciation from the IEEE for *Outstanding Achievement* in *Member Recruitment* for the IEEE Oman Section during the 2017 membership years.
- Dr. Mohammad M. Bait-Suwailam, Abdulaziz Al-Balushi, Jaafar Al-Dawood, Mohamed Al-Kindi, and Ammar Al-Mahrami, "Multi-Element Mobile Wireless charging System and Method," *US Patent*, 2016.

#### **Students:**

- Supervisor: Dr. Amer Al-Hinai, Students: Ahmed Al-Mayahi, Abdallah Akintola, Enas Elser Khamis, Afrah Al-Shkeili, Malik Al-Wahaibi: First Place "The Future of Power" at the Inter-College Environmental Public Speaking Competition (ESO, 2017, Muscat). Title of the project: "Agro-Waste Energy: A Sustainable Future Energy for Oman".
- Supervisor: Dr. Ashraf Saleem, Students: Qasim Al Yafei, Murshid Al Riyami, Zahran Al Nabhani: First Place at the Oman Robotics Challenge, April, 2017, Oman.
- Supervisor: Ashraf Saleem, Students: Qasim Al Yafei, Bader Al Sawwafi, Mohammad Al Hinai, Murshid Al Riyami, Zahran Al Nabhani: **Second Place** at the 2<sup>nd</sup> GCC Robotics Challenge, April, 2017, Qatar.
- Supervisor: Ashraf Saleem, Students: Safa Al Meqbali, Hamdah Al Belushi, Hajar Al Alawi: **Third Place** at the 9<sup>th</sup> engineering students gathering April 2017, Sultan Qaboos University, Oman. Title of the project: "Automatic Expiry Date Inspection System for food products".

#### Students' Activities

- 7<sup>th</sup> Engineering Students Exhibition, (Sultan Qaboos University 23 April 2017)
- Second Mechanical Engineering Alumni Gathering

#### **Coordination of activities with students**

• Dr. Mohammad M. Bait-Suwailam served as a focal person, assigned by College of Engineering, to coordinate with Telecommunications Regulatory Authority of Oman (TRA) for providing training to ECE students at SQU on how to conduct RF radiation measurements from mobile telecom towers, 23 November – 18 December, 2017.



# Mechanical and Industrial Engineering



# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering was established in 1986 since the opening of the University. The Department offers BSc in Mechanical Engineering and Industrial Engineering. It also offers MSc and PhD in both majors as well. The Department recently celebrated its 28th batch and its Alumni holds contributed in the growth and development of our beloved Oman. The Department has gradually grow in its capabilities in research, teaching, and community service. In 2017 alone, our faculty has won 13 awards distributed among best paper awards with local and international recognitions. The Department successfully attracted grants and various consultancies, which results in improving its research visibilities. There were 46 papers published in refereed journals and 35 papers published in international conferences in 2017.

n addition, our faculty members received various invitations to attend the conferences and symposiums both locally and globally. Indeed, there were 22 invitations to attend and give a speech on several mechanical and industrial engineering aspects. The Department also in 2017 provides 40 seminars, workshops and short courses. These seminars and workshops were attended by different entities such as students, public, and professionals.

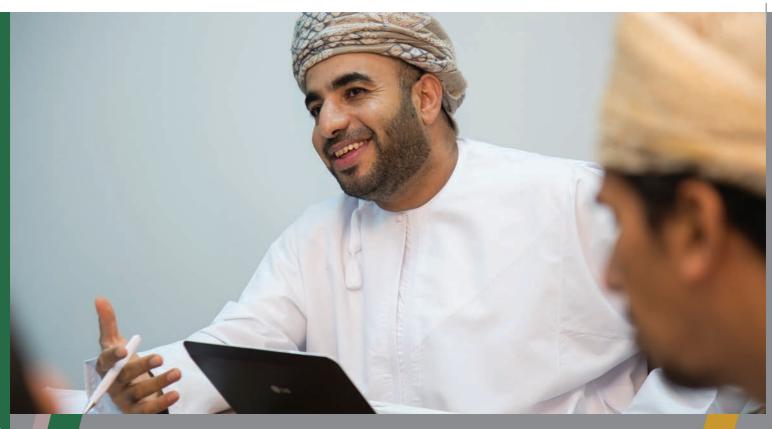
Furthermore, the Department is committed to provide its students with a combinantion of theory and practical experiences. Therefore, many courses are offered, which include laboratory experiments and design projects. These experiments for courses and research are performed in a state-of-the-art laboratories. The Department believes in multidisciplinary teaching and there are several focus groups including Industrial Engineering, Thermo-fluids, Dynamics and Control, Applied Mechanics, and Material and Manufacturing. The department is leading in entrepreneurship and innovation theme and offered relevant courses since 2003 to enhance our students knowledge with entrepreneurial skills.

Finally, the Department has a good relationship with its Alumni and the outside industries. Some of our Alumni serve as our Industrial Advisory Board Members. The Department also receive feedback from the industry to improve its degree plans and to increase its visibility. The Mechanical and Industrial Engineering Department will continue to provide the Omani Community with best graduates, research and community services.

Dr. Mahmood Al-Kindi HoD, Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering, College of Engineering



- Outstanding research capabilities and innovations
- Excellent community services



# SUMMARY

Table D1: Summary

	2016	2017
Faculty	32	30
Support staff	25	26
Total	57	56
On-study leave	1	1
Undergraduate Program		
Enrollment	345	343
Courses offered	107	56
Graduates	123	192
<b>Graduate Program</b>		
Enrollment	17	32
Courses offered	14	8
Graduates	5	5
Research		
Grants	14	5
Publications		
Refereed Journals	38	46
Conference Proceedings	66	35





Assistant Professor, , Head of the Department

Research Interests: Risk Analysis, Six Sigma, Decision Making under Uncertainties, and Production Planning

#### Dr. Amur Al-Yahmedi

Dr. Mahmood Al-Kindi

Associate Professor, Assistant Head of the Department

Research Interests: Modeling and Simulation, Multibody Dynamics, and Robotics and Automation

#### Dr. Sabah Ahmed Abdul-Wahab Al-Sulaiman

Professor

Research Interests: Monitoring of Pollutants in the Atmosphere, Outdoor Air Quality, , Modelling of the Dispersion of Air Pollution in the Atmosphere, Neural Network, Renewable Energy





#### **Dr. Tasneem Pervez**

Professor

Research Interests: Computational Modeling, Multiscale Modeling, Composite Materials, Applied Mechanics, Finite Element Analysis, Expandable Tubular and Swelling Elastomers in Oil Well Drilling and Delivery, Engineering Education

#### Dr. Nabeel Z. Al-Rawahi

**Associate Professor** 

Research Interests: Fluid Mechanics, Computational Fluid Dynamics, Multiphase Flow, Water Desalination

#### Dr. Jamil Abdo

Professor

Research Interests: Mechanical Design, Tribology, Solid Mechanics and Materials Applications

#### Dr. Khalid AlZebdeh

**Associate Professor** 

Research Interests: Computational Micromechanics, Nano-Composites, Project Management and Economics







#### Dr. Sayyad Zahid Qamar

**Associate Professor** 

Research Interests: Applied Materials and Manufacturing, Engineering Design, Failure Analysis and Reliability

#### Dr. Chefi Triki

**Associate Professor** 

Research Interests: Stochastic Optimization, Logistics and Supply Chain Management, Resources Optimization

#### Dr. Abdullah Al-Shabibi

**Associate Professor** 

Research Interests: Applied Mechanics, Finite Element Modeling of Engineering Problems, Modeling of Contact Problems, Thermoelastic Instability

#### Dr. Mohammad Khadem

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Lean Manufacturing, Simulation and Optimization, Decision Support System, Integrating between E-manufacturing and FMS, Logistics and Supply Chain, Production Planning and Control, Human Factors, Industrial Safety etc.





#### Dr. Nasser Al-Azri

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Thermodynamic Modeling and Psychometrics, Process Integration, Engineering Mathematics and Numerical Analysis, Mathematical Optimization

#### Dr. Riadh Zaier

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Mechatronics Systems Design and Nonlinear Control, Robotics

#### Dr. Majid Al-Maharbi

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Materials Science and Engineering, Corrosion, Severe Plastic Deformation of Metallic Materials, Crystallographic Texture and Microstructure Engineering

#### Dr. Sujan Piya

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Production Planning and Control, Supply Chain Management, Operations Management for Maketo-Order System





Dr. Issam Bahadur



Dr. Ramanathan Arunachalam

**Assistant Professor** 

Dr. Ramanathan

Research Interests: Materials, Manufacturing and Product Design

Dr. Nasr Al-Hinai

#### Dr. Nasr Al-Hinai

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Operations Research, Production Scheduling Using Heuristic and Metaheuristic Approaches, Production Planning and Control, Product Design and Development

Dr. Afzal Husain

#### Dr. Afzal Husain

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Computational Fluid Engineering, Micro-scale Heat Transfer, Electronics Cooling, Enhanced Heat Transfer Techniques and Design Optimization

#### Dr. Issam Bahadur

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Micro/Nano-Electro-Mechanical Systems, Biomedical Instrumentation, Industrial Automation, Smart Materials and Vibration





#### Dr. Mojtaba Ghodsi

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Mechatronics, Non-Destructive Evaluation, Smart Materials and Structures, Actuators, Motors and Transducers, Renewable Energy

#### Dr. Khurshid Alam

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Orthopaedics, Bone Mechanics, FE Modeling, Material Characterization, Material Modeling, Fracture Mechanics

#### Dr. Edris Hassan

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Multi-scale Micromechanical Modeling, Actuation and Piezomagnetic Effective Properties of Composites and Smart Structures, Grid-reinforced Smart Composite Structures, Nanostructured Polymers and Nanocomposites

#### Dr. Ahm Shamsuzzoha

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Product Design, Business Networking, Supply Chain Management, Simulation Modelling, Project Management, Production Planning and Control







Dr. Mohammadzaheri

Dr. Abdullah Al-Janabi

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Renewable Energy Technologies, Energy and Environment

Dr. Musaab Zarog

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: MEMS, Mechatronics

Dr. Morteza Mohammadzaheri

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interest: System Dynamics and Control

Dr. Salman Ahmed

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Heat and Mass Transfer





#### **Dr. Emad Summad**

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interest: Innovation and Enterpreneurship

#### Dr. Nasra Al- Maskari

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interest: Mechanical Engineering Design

#### **Mohamed Al-Lawati**

Lecturer

Research Interest: Mechatronics Engineering

#### Faisal Al-Khatri

Department Technical Superintendent, Lab Supervisor

Thermodynamics Lab, A/C and Refrigeration Lab

### Mohammad Al-Hadhrami

Chief Engineer, Acting Workshop Superintendent

Solid Mechanics, Ergonomics, Manufacturing, Workshops 1 and 2









Saeed Al-Mughairy

Senior Engineer

Materials Lab, Al-Hail Desalination Lab

# Mohammad Al-Hadhrami

Lab Engineer

Fluid Mechanics Lab

# Nasser Al-Azizi

Lab Engineer

Fluid Mechanics Lab

# Abdullah Al-Omrani

Lab Engineer

CIM Lab





# Mahmood Al-Riyami

Lab Engineer

Automatic Control Lab

#### Said Al-Qarni

Engineer A

Thermodynamics Lab

# Abdulaziz Al-Harasi

Senior Support Engineer

Workshop

# **Hadid Subeit Al-Alawi**

Chief Engineer B

Workshop





**Ahmed Sayed Faiz** Assistant Mechanic

Workshop

**Mohammad Al-Salmi** 

**Support Engineer** 

Workshop

Mahfoudh Al-Sharji

Technician

Workshop

Yahia Al-Agbari

Technician

Workshop





#### **Marshal Miranda**

Technician

Workshop

#### Hamood Al-Mahrizi

Senior Technician A

Workshop

#### Saleh Al-Malki

Technician

Workshop

#### Sultan Salim Ali Al-Hammadi

Technician

Workshop







Fawzi Al-Maashri

Basma Al-Farsi

#### Fawzi Al-Maashri

Technician

Workshop

Basma Al-Farsi

Coordinator

Nour Al-Rasbi

Lab Engineer

Nusiba Al-Kharusi

Lab Engineer

Iman Al-Harthi

Administrative officer





# **DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEES**

# Table D2: Departmental Committees

	Dr. Mahmood Al-Kindi	Chair
	Dr. Amur Al-Yahmedi	ME program coordinator
Department Board	Dr. Emad Summad	Secretary
Department Board	All academic staff	Members
	Eng. Mohamed Al-Hadhrami	Invited Member
	Mr. Faisal Al-Khatri	Invited Member
	Dr. Amur Al-Yahmedi	Chair
	Dr. Ramanathan Arun	ABET ME Coordinator
	Dr. Sujan Piya	ABET IE Coordinator
	Prof. Tasneem Pervez	Advisor
Danisha and Assaultantas	Dr. Nabeel Al-Rawahi	Advisor
Department Accreditation	Dr. Mohammed Khadem	Member
Committee (DAC)	Dr. Majid Al-Moharbi	Member
	Dr. Khalid Alzebdeh	Member
	Dr. Nasr Al-Hinai	Member
	Dr. Riadh Zaier	Member
	Dr. Zahid Qamar	Member







	Dr. Mohammad Khadem	IE Coordinator, Chair
	Dr. Abdullah Al-Janabi	ME Coordinator, Thermofluids FGC
Department Curriculum and	Dr. Amur Al-Yahmedi	Dynamics and Control FGC
Timetabling Committee	Dr. Edris Hassan	Applied Mechanics FGC
	Dr. Majid Al-Maharbi	Materials and Manufacturing FGC
	Dr. Faroog Al Jahwari	ME FYP I Coordinator
Final Year Project (FYP)	Dr. Afzal Husain	ME FYP II Coordinator, Chair
Coordinators	Dr. Khalid Alzebdeh	IE FYP Coordinator
	Dr. Majid Al-Moharbi	Chair
Department Postgraduate	Dr. Nasr Al-Hinai	IE PGR Coordinator
Studies and Research (DPGSR) Committee	Prof. Sabah AlSulaiman	ME PGR Coordinator
(DPGSK) Committee	Dr. Khurshid Alam	Member
Book to the B. History	Dr. Mojtaba Ghodsi	Chair
Department Publications/ Web Committee	Dr. Morteza Zaheri	ME Coordinator
web committee	Dr. Ahm Shamsuzzoha	IE Coordinator
	Dr. Abdullah Al-Shabibi	Chair
D	Dr. Mahmood Al-Kindi	Member
Department Recruitment Committee	Dr. Zahid Qamar	Member
Committee	Dr. Nasr Al-Hinai	Member
	Dr. Nabeel Al-Rawahi	Member
	Dr. Zahid Qamar	Chair
	Dr. Emad Summad	Member
Danasta ant Lab (UCF	Dr. Khurshid Alam	Member
Department Lab/HSE Committee	Dr. Musaab Abdalla	Member
Committee	Dr. Ahm Shamsuzzoha	Member
	Eng. Mohamed Al-Hadhrami	Member
	Mr. Faisal Al-Khatri	Member
	Dr. Mahmood Al-Kindi	Chair
	Dr. Edris Hassan	Coordinator
Luduskijal Advisam, Dagud	Prof. Tasneem Pervez	Member
Industrial Advisory Board (IAB)	Dr. Abdullah Al-Shabibi	Member
(IAB)	Dr. Nabeel Al-Rawahi	Member
	Dr. Nasr Al-Hinai	Member
	Dr. Emad Summad	Member
Student Societies Advisors	Dr. Chefi Triki	IES Advisor
Student Jocieties Advisors	Dr. Farooq Al Jahwari	SME Advisor



	Dr. Mahmood Al-Kindi Dr. Abdullah Al-Janabi	Chair ME time table Coordinator
Student-Staff Liaison Committees (ME and IE)	Dr. Mohammed Khadem Dr. Amur Al-Yahmedi	IE time table Coordinator  Member
Committees (wie and ie)	2 Students per cohort per	
	program	Members
Social Activities Committee	Dr. Abdullah Al-Janabi	Chair
	Dr. Nasr Al-Hinai	Member
	Dr. Mahmood Al-Kindi	Chair
Department Strategic	Dr. Zahid Qamar	Coordinator
Planning Committee	Prof. Tasneem Pervez	Member
	Dr. Nabeel Al-Rawahi	Member
	Dr. Chefi Triki	Member
Industrial Training and	Dr. Khurshid Alam	Chair
Alumni Committee	Dr. Nasra Al Maskari	Member
7 Harring Committee	Dr. Salman Ahmed	Member
Textbook and Library	Dr. Edris Hassan	ME Coordinator, Chair
Committee	Dr. Khalid Alzebdeh	IE Coordinator
	Dr. Mojtaba Ghodsi	Chair
Seminar Committee	Dr. Morteza Zaheri	Member
	Dr. Chefi Triki	Member
	Dr. Amur Al-Yahmedi	Chair
Academic Advising	Dr. Khalid AlZebdeh	Member
Committee	Dr. Abdullah Al-Shabibi	Member
	Dr. Chefi Triki	Member
Door Povious of Tooching	Dr. Afzal Husain	Chair
Peer Review of Teaching Managing Committee	Dr. Khalid Alzebdeh	Member
Managing committee	Dr. Morteza Zaheri	Member
Students Disciplinary	Dr. Chefi Triki	Chair
Committee	Dr. Khurshid Alam	Member
	Dr. Mahmood Al-Kindi	Chair
Department Outreach	Prof. Sabah AlSulaiman	Member
Committee	Dr. Nabeel Al-Rawahi	Member
	Dr. Emad Summad	Member





## **UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES**

#### **Courses**

Table D3: Courses Offered in Spring 2017

Table 201 Courses Cherea in Spring 2017			
Code	Title	Instructor(s)	
MEIE2102	Statics	Dr. Nasra Al Maskari	
PNGE2102	Basic Mechanics	Dr. Farooq Al-Jahwari	
ENGR2216	Fortan Programming	Prof. Sabah Al-Sulaiman	
MEIE2129	Basic Mechanics	Dr. Riadh Zaier	
MEIE2181	WorkShop II	Mr. Mohammad Al-Hadrami	
MEIE2289	Fundamentals of Innovation and Entrepreneurship	Dr. Emad Summad	
MEIE3102	Solid Mechanics	Dr. Abdullah Al-Shabibi	
MEIE3107	Drawing and Computer Graphics	Dr. Khurshid Alam	
MEIE3109	Product Design	Dr. Arunachalam Ramanathan	
MEIE3121	Dynamics	Dr. Musaab Zarog	
MEIE3122	Machine Dynamics	Dr. Mojtaba Ghodsi	
MEIE3122	Machine Dynamics	Dr. Abdullah Ozer	



Code	Title	Instructor(s)
MEIE3142	Thermodynamics II	Dr. Abdullah Al-Janabi
MEIE3142	Thermodynamics II Dr. Nasser Al-Azri	
MEIE3159	Thermofluids	Dr. Nabeel Al-Rawahi
MEIE3161	Materials Science	Dr. Zahid Qamar
MEIE3181	Electromechanical Systems	Dr. Issam Bait Bahadur
MEIE3181	Electromechanical Systems	Dr. Mojtaba Ghodsi
MCTE3230	Properties and Strength of Materials	Dr. Farooq Al-Jahwari
MEIE3271	Methods of Operations Research	Dr. Chefi Triki
MEIE3281	Probability and Statistics for Engineers	Dr. Sujan Piya
MEIE4102	Machine Design I	Dr. Edris Hassan
MEIE4102	Machine Design I	Prof. Tasneem Pervez
MEIE4122	Engineering System and Control	Dr. Morteza Mohammadzaheri
MEIE4141	Fluid Mechanics	Dr. Afzal Husain
MEIE4144	Heat Transfer	Dr. Salman Ahmed
MCTE4150	Modeling and Simulation	Dr. Amur Al-Yahmedi
MEIE4161	Engineering Materials	Dr. Majid Al-Maharbi
MEIE4183	Numerical Methods for Engineers	Prof. Sabah Al-Sulaiman
MEIE4191	ME Seminar	Dr. Farooq Al-Jahwari
MEIE4201	Ergonomics and Safety	Dr. Mohammad Khadem
MEIE4262	Manufacturing Processes	Dr. Edris Hassan
MEIE4272	Simulation Models	Dr. Mohammad Khadem
MEIE4275	Facilities Design and Logistics	Dr. Ibrahim Garbie
MEIE4283	Engineering Ethics	Dr. Khalid AlZebdeh
MEIE4285	Engineering Economics	Dr. Khalid AlZebdeh
MEIE5106	Pressure Vessel & Piping System Design	Prof. Tasneem Pervez
MEIE5121	Modelling and Simulation of Engineering Systems	Dr. Amur Al-Yahmedi
MCTE5142	Robotics	Dr. Riadh Zaier
MEIE5145	Design of Thermal Systems	Dr. Afzal Husain
MEIE5148	Desalination	Dr. Sulaiman Al-Obeidani
MEIE5149	Capstone Design	Dr. Nasra Al Maskari
MEIE5162	Corrosion Engineering	Dr. Majid Al-Maharbi





Code	Title	Instructor(s)
MEIE5224	Six Sigma Methodology	Dr. Mahmood Al-Kindi
MEIE5233	Maintenance and Reliability Engineering	Dr. Ahm Shamsuzzoha
MEIE5262	Industrial System Design	Dr. Ibrahim Garbie
MEIE5273	Product Design and Manufacturing	Dr. Nasr Al-Hinai
MEIE5286	Supply Chain Management Dr. Ahm Shamsuzzoha	
MEIE5287	Project Management	Dr. Nasr Al-Hinai
MEIE5288	Innovation and Entrepreneurship	Dr. Emad Summad
MEIE5295	Seminar	Dr. Farooq Al-Jahwar

Table D4: Courses Offered in Fall 2017

Code	Title	Instructor(s)
MEIE2102	Statics	Dr. Abdullah Al-Shabibi
MEIE2129	Basic Mechanics	Dr. Farooq Al-Jahwari
MEIE2181	WorkShop II	Mr. Mohammad Al-Hadrami
MEIE3102	Solid Mechanics	Prof. Tasneem Pervez
MEIE3107	Drawing and Computer Graphics	Dr. Ramanathan Arunachalam
MEIE3107	Drawing and Computer Graphics	Dr. Khurshid Alam
MEIE3109	Product Design	Dr. Nasra Al Maskari
MEIE3121	Dynamics	Dr. Amur Al-Yahmedi
MEIE3122	Machine Dynamics	Dr. Musaab Zarog
MEIE3141	Thermodynamics I	Dr. Nabeel Al-Rawahi
MEIE3161	Materials Science	Dr. Zahid Qamar
MEIE3181	Electromechanical Systems	Dr. Issam Bahadur
MEIE3269	Mathematics of Linear Programming	Dr. Chefi Triki
MEIE3281	Probability and Statistics for Engineers	Dr. Khalid AlZebdeh
MEIE3284	Industrial Information System Design	Dr. Mohammad Khadem
MEIE3292	Work System Analysis and Design	Dr. Mohammad Khadem
MEIE4101	Computer Aided Machine Design	Dr. Edris Hassan
MEIE4102	Machine Design I	Dr. Edris Hassan
MEIE4122	Engineering System and Control	Dr. Morteza Mohammadzaheri
MEIE4125	Instrumentation and Measurement	Dr. Mojtaba Ghodsi



Code	Title	Instructor(s)
MEIE4141	Fluid Mechanics	Dr. Abdullah Al-Janabi
MEIE4144	Heat Transfer Dr. Salman Ahmed	
MCTE4150	Modeling and Simulation	Dr. Amur Al-Yahmedi
MEIE4161	Engineering Materials	Dr. Majid Al-Maharbi
MEIE4183	Numerical Methods for Engineers	Prof. Sabah Al-Sulaiman
MEIE4191	ME Seminar	Dr. Morteza Mohammadzaheri
MEIE4201	Ergonomics and Safety	Dr. Mohammad Khadem
MEIE4218	Advanced Probability and Statistics	Dr. Mahmood Al-Kindi
MEIE4222	Production Planning and Control	Dr. Nasr Al-Hinai
MEIE4224	Quality Engineering and Six Sigma	Dr. Sujan Piya
MCTE4230	Thermal Sciences	Dr. Salman Ahmed
MEIE4262	Manufacturing Processes	Dr. Zahid Qamar
MEIE4262	Manufacturing Processes	Dr. Edris Masoud Hassan
MEIE4265	Stochastic Optimization	Dr. Chefi Triki
MEIE4285	Engineering Economics	Dr. Ahm Shamsuzzoha
MEIE4298	Seminar I	Dr. Morteza Mohammadzaheri
MEIE5127	Analysis and Design of Control Systems	Dr. Riadh Zaier
MEIE5145	Design of Thermal Systems	Dr. Afzal Husain
MEIE5151	Turbomachinery	Dr. Afzal Husain
MEIE5162	Corrosion Engineering	Dr. Majid Al Maharbi
MEIE5166	Introduction to Nanotechnology	Dr. Arunachalam Ramanathan
MEIE5193	FYP I	Dr. Farooq Al-Jahwari
MEIE5198	Seminar II	Dr. Morteza Mohammadzaheri
MEIE5222	Introduction to Health Care Engineering	Dr. Sujan Piya
MCTE5255	Mechatronics System Design	Dr. Riadh Zaier
MEIE5262	Industrial System Design	Dr. Mohammad Khadem
MEIE5267	Automation and CIM	Dr. Riadh Zaier
MEIE5275	Automated Industrial Systems	Dr. Riadh Zaier
MEIE5287	Project Management	Dr. Nasr Al-Hinai
MEIE5288	Innovation and Entrepreneurship	Dr. Emad Summad
MEIE5291	FYP I	Dr. Khalid AlZebdeh
MEIE5292	FYP II	Dr. Khalid AlZebdeh
MEIE5295	Seminar	Dr. Morteza Mohammadzaheri





### **POSTGRADUATE STUDIES**

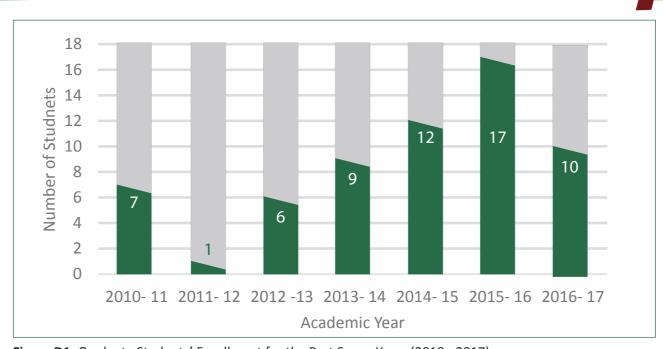


Figure D1: Graduate Students' Enrollment for the Past Seven Years (2010 - 2017).



#### Courses

 Table D5: Postgraduate Courses Offered in Year 2017

Semester	Code	Title	Instructor(s)
Spring 2017	MEIE6014	Desalination and Water Treatment. Technology	Dr. Suleiman Al-Obeidani
	MEIE6112	Design and Analysis of Experiments	Prof. Jamil Abdo
	MEIE6001	Project Engineering and Management	Dr. Nassr Al Hini
	MEIE6004	Advanced Numerical Methods	Prof. Sabah Al-Sulaiman
Fall 2017	MEIE6166	Nanomaterials	Dr. Ramanathan Arunachalam
raii 2017	MEIE6222	Healthcare Management	Dr. Sujan Piya
	MEIE7001	Master Thesis	Dr. Majid Al Maharbi
	MEIE8001	PhD Thesis	Dr. Majid Al Maharbi

#### **Postgraduate Students' Projects**

 Table D6: Postgraduate Students' Projects in Year 2017

No	Name	Project Title
1	Omer El Tahir Mohamed El	Computational Synthesis of Biomechanical Leg and Simulator
	Dirdiry (PhD)	Design for Foot-Drop Problem
2	Mahmood M.A. Nassar(PhD)	Development of a new polymer bio composite
3	Hani Al-Rawahi (MS)	Assessment of Pipelines with Single &Multiple Corrosion Defects –
		Code and Numerical Solution
4	Sarra Abbasher Mahmood (MS)	Optimization Based Prediction of Human Gait
5	Josiah Cherian Chekotu (MS)	Analysis of Product and Tooling Defects in Extrusion
6	Moosa Al-Rashdi (MS)	Study of Utilization the Heat Pump in Water Cooled Chiller:
		Potential and Challenges
7	Ibrahim Mohammad Said Al-	Development and Characterization of a Hybrid Aluminum Metal
	Fori(MS)	Matrix Composite through Squeeze Casting Process





## **RESEARCH**

#### **Grants and Contracts**

 Table D7: : New Grants, Contracts and Consultancies by Faculty Members in Year 2017

Research Title	Principal Investigator	Budget (OMR)	Funded By
The Potential of Bio/Petro Polymeric Based Functionally Graded Porous Composites for Structural Applications	Dr. Farooq AlJahwari	5,500	SQU
Minimization of Energy Maintenance Cost for an Educational Facility	Dr. Mahmood Al-Kindi	6,470	SQU
Structural Vibration Control Using Magnetostrictive Actuators	Dr. Mojtaba Ghodsi	7,350	SQU
Development and Characterization of Sustainable  Novel Aluminium Metal Matrix Composite for Industrial  Applications in the GCC region.	Dr. Ramanathan Arunachalam	15000	SQU- UAEU
Utilization of Electrical Vehicle in Muscat-Oman: Potential and Challenges	Dr. Abdullah AlJAnabi	5300	SQU



#### **Publications**

#### **Refereed Journal Papers**

- 1. Abdo, J., Hassan, E., Al-Shabibia, A. and Kwak, J. 2017. Design of a Testing Facility for Investigation of Drill Pipes Fatigue Failure. *The Journal of Engineering Research*, 14(2):1-10.
- 2. Abdul-Wahab, S.A., En, S.C.F., Jaffeer, H., Elkamel, A., Yetilmezsoy, K. and Ahmadi, L. 2017. Modelling the Dispersion of Benzene Emissions from a Proposed Ethanol Producing Facility in Farewell-Oshawa of Toronto, Canada. *Global Nest Journal*, 19(2):257-268.
- 3. Abdul-Wahab, S., Al-Rawas, G., Ali, S., Fadlallah, S. and Al-Dhamri, H. 2017. Atmospheric Dispersion Modeling of CO2 Emissions from a Cement Plant's Sources. *Clean Technologies and Environmental Policy*, 19(6):1621-1638.
- 4. Abdul-Wahab, S., Al-Rawas, G., Charabi, Y., Al-Wardy, M. and Fadlallah, S. 2017. A Study to Investigate the Key Sources of Odours in Al-Multaqa Village, Sultanate of Oman. *Environmental Forensics*, 18(1):15-35.
- 5. Alam, K., Muhammad, R., Shamsuzzoha, A., Al-Yahmedi, A. and Ahmed, N. 2017. Quantitative Analysis of Force And Torque in Bone Drilling. *The Journal of Engineering Research*, 14(1):39-48.
- 6. Al-Janabi, A. and Malayeri. M.R. 2017. Performance of Shot Peened Surfaces Subject to Crystallization Fouling. *International Journal of Thermal Sciences*, 111:379-389.
- 7. Al-Janabi, A. and Malayeri, M.R. 2017. Turbulence Induced Structures in Exhaust Gas Recirculation Coolers to Enhance Thermal Performance. *International Journal of Thermal Sciences*, 112:118-128.
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- 1. Arunachalam, R. and Al-Maharbi, M. 2017. *Development and Characterization of Sustainable Novel Aluminium Metal Matrix Composite for Industrial Applications in the GCC region*. SQU-UAEU Collaborative Research Grant Progress Report submitted to Sultan Qaboos University.
- 2. Ghodsi, M. 2017. *Development of Energy Harvesting System for Vibrational Structures*. Collaborative Research Grant with UAEU, Technical Report, Sultan Qaboos University, Sultanate of Oman.
- 3. Ghodsi, M. 2017. *Structural Vibration Control Using Magnetostrictive Actuators*. Internal Research Grant Technical Report, Sultan Qaboos University, Sultanate of Oman.
- 4. Husain, A. 2017. *Numerical Analysis Visualization and Experimental Measurement of Capillary-Driven Blood Flow Micro-Channel Mixing*. Collaborative Research Grant with UAEU, Technical Report, Sultan Qaboos University, Sultanate of Oman.
- 5. Shamsuzzoha, A., Al-Kindi, M. and Nasr Al-Hinai, N. 2017. *Measurement of Product Modularity Degree to Scale Up Family Of Product for Achieving Competitive Advantage: Perspectives From Selected Omani Small and Medium Enterprises.* Internal Research Grant Technical Report, Sultan Qaboos University, Sultanate of Oman.
- 6. Zaier, R. 2017. *Modelling of Biologically Inspired Mechanical Leg.* External Research Grant (RC/ENGMIED/15/03) Technical Report, Sultan Qaboos University, Sultanate of Oman.





### **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

#### **Short Courses**

- 1. Al-Hinai, N., Fundamentals of Project Management and Risk Analysis, Sultan Qaboos University, 30<sup>th</sup> October 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2017.
- 2. Al-Hinai, N., Production Planning, Project Management, Risk Analysis and Lean Concept training program for Metal Engineering Company, Muscat, 15-19 January 2017.
- 3. Husain, A., Computational Fluid Dynamics using ANSYS CFX, A Short Training Course in Collaboration with the Independent Learning Center at Sultan Qaboos University, February 2017.

#### **Invited Talks**

- 1. Abdul-Wahab, S.A., Invited as Keynote Speaker by the Qatar University in the 2017 Annual Meeting of the Society of Environmental Toxicology & Chemistry- Arabian Gulf Branch. The Meeting Theme is "Environmental Quality in the GCC: Addressing the Challenges", Doha, Qatar, 21-22 March 2017.
- 2. Abdul-Wahab, S.A., Invited as Keynote Speaker in the International Conference on Chemical, Agricultural, Biological and Health Sciences (CABHS-2017), Bali, Indonesia, 2 February 2017.





- 3. Abdul-Wahab, S.A., Invited as Technical Session Chair in the International Conference on Chemical, Agricultural, Biological and Health Sciences (CABHS-2017), Bali, Indonesia, 2 February 2017.
- 4. Al-Rawahi, N. Z., Invited for Guest lecture at the Higher College of Technology, Muscat, 8 November 2017.
- 5. Al-Rawahi, N. Z., Speaker in the Science Collaboration Symposium on Clean and Renewable Energy, Abu Dhabi, UAE, 30<sup>th</sup> October 1<sup>st</sup> November 2017.
- 6. Al-Rawahi, N. Z., Speaker in the First Environmental Forum for Renewable Energy, "Power and Solar Cooling Cogeneration", Muscat, Oman, 27-28 December 2017.
- 7. Arunachalam, R., Developing Innovative Concepts for Products a bird's eye view of the concept development process, AVS Engineering College, Salem, India, 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2017.
- 8. Husain, A., Invited as Keynote Speaker in The 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Advanced Production and Industrial Engineering (ICAPIE-17). Organized by the Delhi Technological University (DTU), New Delhi, India, 6 October 2017.
- 9. Husain, A., Invited Guest Lecture at Aligarh Muslim University. Aligarh, India, 26 August 2017.
- 10. Pervez, T. 2017. Trends and Approaches in Design and Development of Tailored Materials. Keynote Talk In: *Emerging Trends in Automotive Engineering (CETAE-2017)*, Karachi, Pakistan, 28-29 December 2017.
- 11. Piya, S., Invited Speaker in International Conference on Recent Advances in Mechanical Engineering Operations organized by Government Engineering College, Salem, India 2-3<sup>rd</sup> Marc 2017.
- 12. Summad, E., Invited Speaker on Challenges of Skills and Competencies for Education and Training in the Field of Intellectual Property. WIPO Oman Workshop on IP Education and Training, Ministry of Tourism, Muscat 26-27 April 2017.
- 13. Summad, E., Invited Speaker on Entrepreneurship Future Trends. Incubation Conference, Hormuz Grand Hotel, Muscat 5-6 December 2017.

#### **Cooperation with Local and Foreign Organizations**

- 1. Al-Janabi A., Setting Collaboration/Cooperation with Research Institute of Automotive Engineering and Vehicle Engines Stuttgart (FKFS), Baden-Württemberg Germany. *Utilization of Electrical Vehicles in Muscat-Oman*.
- 2. Al-Janabi A., Setting Collaboration/Cooperation with TU-Dresden, Germany. Assisting in construction an experimental apparatus to investigate the influences of crystallization fouling on industrial heat exchangers.
- 3. Arunachalam, R., Metal Matrix Composites Development with Prof. Abdel-Hamid I Mourad (UAE).



- 4. Arunachalam, R., Micromachining with Prof. R. Thanigaivelan (India).
- 5. Arunachalam, R., Pulse Electrodeposition with Dr. S. Mohan (India).
- 6. Arunachalam, R., Electrodes material development for Supercapacitor with Dr. L. Peter (Hungary).
- 7. Arunachalam, R., Machining of advanced materials with Prof. M. Chandrasekaran (India).
- 8. Arunachalam, R., Development of High Entropy Materials with Dr. Sathish Kannan (UAE).
- 9. Husain A., Electronics cooling, Collaboration with Mr. Mohd. Zunaid (India).
- 10. Husain A., Fluid machinery analysis, Collaboration with Dr. Abdus Samad (India).
- 11. Husain A., Micro-scale cooling enhancement techniques, Collaboration with Dr. Ansari, M.Z. (India).
- 12. Husain A., Micro-scale mixing analysis, Collaboration with Dr. Ansari, M.A. (India).
- 13. Husain A., Numerical Analysis Visualization and Experimental Measurements of Capillary-Driven Blood Flow Micro-Channel Mixing, Collaboration with Dr. Elnajjar, E. (UAE).
- 14. Ghodsi. M., Investigation of effective parameters on attenuation and reflection coefficient of acoustic wave in giant magnetostrictive materials, collaboration with Dr. Dr. Mohammad Reza Sheykheslami (Iran)
- 15. Shamsuzzoha, A., Measurement of Product Modularity Degree to Scale Up Family of Product for Achieving Competitive Advantage: Perspectives From Selected Omani Small and Medium Enterprises, Collaboration with Professor Petri Helo (Finland) and Mr. Timo Kankaanpaa (Finland).
- 16. Shamsuzzoha, A., Circular Economy Perspectives from SMEs Viewpoint, Collaboration with Professor Kanan Govindan (Denmark).
- 17. Zaier, R. Cluster of Mechatronics and Automation (Germany).
- 18. Zaier, R. Training Course on Industry 4.0, the Cluster of Mechatronics and Automation (Germany).

#### Students' activities/awards

- 1. Al-Hinai, N. Supervisor of Students: Noor Al-Yazidy, Anfal Al-Hooti, Ekhlas Al-Shereiqi: First Place for the FYP design competition at Mechanical and Industrial Engineering Department. Title of the project: "Designing an Automated Scheduling Emergency Room Nurses at SQUH", May 2017.
- 2. Al-Janabi A., Final Year Design Projects Competition in MIE Department, *Design and manufacture a prototype of oscillating water column wave energy converter.*
- 3. Shamsuzzoha, A., Al-Kindi, M. and Al-Hinai, N. Best track paper award, Paper title: Application of product modularity in industry: a case study. In: *Proceedings of the International Conference on Industrial Engineering and Operations Management,* Rabat, Morocco, 11-13 April 2017.



#### **Additional Activities**

- 1. Al-Hinai, N., Associate Editor of The Journal for Engineering Research at SQU, 2017.
- 2. Al-Hinai, N., Military Technical College, Advisory Board Member, (Oman), 2017.
- 3. Al-Hinai, N., Attended the 'Critical Thinking" workshop at SQU, Muscat, Oman, 17 May 2017.
- 4. Al-Hinai, N., Attended the 'Alternative Teaching Methods" workshop at SQU, Muscat, Oman, 18 May 2017.
- 5. Al-Janabi A., Attended the workshop "Numerical Optimization Software", SQU, Oman, 8-9 January 2017.
- 6. Al-Janabi A., Attended the workshop "Critical Thinking Skill for the 21st Century", SQU, Oman, 16 May 2017.
- 7. Al-Janabi A., Attended the workshop "German-Oman Cooperation on Sustainable Energy Concepts", Muscat, Oman, 18<sup>th</sup> May 2017.
- 8. Al-Janabi A., Attended the workshop 'Using Interactive Technology to Engage Students in Deeper Learning at SQU" SQU, Oman, 26 December 2017.
- 9. Al-Janabi A., Invited to the annual research forum of the TRC, Oman, December 2017.
- 10. Al-Janabi A., Conducted a Seminar on Engineer and his applications for Kids, Child Care Center, Early Childhood Education Department, College of Education, SQU, Oman, 2017.
- 11. Al-Janabi A., External Examiner for MSc study titled "Effect of CO<sub>2</sub>/Water Ratio on CO<sub>2</sub>-Based EOR) Muscat, Oman, May 2017.
- 12. Al-Janabi A., External Examiner for MSc study titled "Development and Comparison of TMYs for Renewable Energy Applications in Oman Using Ground and Satellite Meteorological Data, Muscat, Oman, May 2017.
- 13. Al-Janabi A., External Examiner for the architectural engineering students, final year graduation projects, December 2017.
- 14. Al-Janabi A., Attended the 2<sup>nd</sup> Omani Desalination Network Meeting & 2<sup>nd</sup> MEDRC Alumni Lecture Series, at Middle East Desalination Research Center (MEDERC), Oman, Muscat, 23<sup>th</sup> May 2017.
- 15. Al-Janabi A., Invited to attend the Oman Waste & Environmental Services Conference & Exhibition, Muscat, Oman, 13-14, December 2017.
- 16. Al-Janabi A., Reviewer for the 5<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Machine Design and Manufacturing Engineering (ICMDME2018), December 2017.
- 17. Al-Janabi A., External Reviewer for TRC Project titled "Continues hybrid cooling using geothermal and solar heat sources and underground storage systems. July 2017.
- 18. Al-Janabi A., Reviewer for the Heat Transfer Engineering Journal papers, 2017.
- 19. Al-Rawahi, N., Associate Editor of The Journal for Engineering Research at SQU, 2017.



- 20. Al-Rawahi, N., Campus Representative of the American Society for Engineering Education (ASEE).
- 21. Al-Rawahi, N., Chair Session. 2<sup>nd</sup> World Congress on Momentum, Heat and Mass Transfer (MHMT'17) Barcelona, Spain, 7-8 April 2017
- 22. Husain, A., Chair Session. International Conference on Advanced Production and Industrial Engineering (ICAPIE-17). DTU, New Delhi, India, 6-7 October 2017.
- 23. Husain, A., Coordinated Final Year Project (FYP) Design Competition 2017 in collaboration with Industrial Advisory Board, Mechanical and Industrial Engineering, Sultan Qaboos University.
- 24. Mohammadzaheri, M., Session Chair at 7<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Artificial Intelligence, Soft Computing and Application, Sydney, Australia, 23-24 December 2017.
- 25. Mohammadzaheri, M., A higher education program reviewer, Ministry of Education, Oman, 2017.
- 26. Piya, S., Gave seminar to final year project (FYP) students on Introduction to FYP, 4th October 2017.
- 27. Piya, S., Editorial Board member of "Journal of Industrial Automation and Production Engineering", 2017.
- 28. Shamsuzzoha, A. Editorial Review Board Member: International Journal of Risk and Contingency Management, IGI-Global Publications, USA, 2017.
- 29. Shamsuzzoha, A. Editorial Board Member: Industrial and Systems Engineering, Science Publishing Group, USA, 2017.
- 30. Shamsuzzoha, A. Editorial Board Member: AIMS Energy, AIMS Press Publications, USA, 2017.
- 31. Shamsuzzoha, A. Editorial Board Member: Management Studies, David Publishing Company, USA, 2017.
- 32. Shamsuzzoha, A. Conducted a Workshop on Strategic Alliances and Applications of IT in Supply Chain, organized by Independent Learning Centre (ILC) at SQU, 3-4 October 2017.
- 33. Shamsuzzoha, A. Conducted a workshop on Measurement of product modularity to scale up product family, Department of Production, University of Vaasa, Finland, 26 July 2017.
- 34. Shamsuzzoha, A. Conducted a workshop on Simulation modeling and analysis with ARENA software, SQU, 19-21 March 2017.
- 35. Shamsuzzoha, A. Organized a seminar on Object modelling, simulation and visualization using virtual reality, by Professor Mohammad Iqbal, Shahjalal University of Science and Technology, Bangladesh, 26 February, 2017.
- 36. Shamsuzzoha, A. Technical Program Committee member, The 2017 International Conference on Electronic Industry and Automation (EIA 2017), Xiamen, China, 23-25 June, 2017.
- 37. Shamsuzzoha, A. International Program Committee Member, 19th International Conference on





- Enterprise Information System (ICEIS 2017), Porto, Portugal, 26-29th April, 2017.
- 38. Shamsuzzoha, A. Graduate/Postgraduate Student Paper Competition Chair, The International Conference on Industrial Engineering and Operations Management, Rabat, Morocco, 11-13 April, 2017.
- 39. Summad, E., Delivered a workshop: "Business Model Innovation A life Changer". SQU Independent Learning Centre, 18 March 2017.
- 40. Summad, E., Delivered a workshop: "Innovation in Logistics". SQU Independent Learning Centre, 23 October 2017.



# Petroleum and Chemical Engineering



Petroleum and Chemical Engineering

# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Department of Petroleum and Chemical Engineering in the College of Engineering at Sultan Qaboos University was established in 1986 under the name of Petroleum and Mining Engineering. Considering the country's industrial development, the Department thereafter underwent several transformations to meet the job market. In 2003, a comprehensive self-study led to two independent undergraduate degree programs in Petroleum and Natural Gas Engineering (PNGE) and Chemical and Process Engineering (CHPE). Currently, Graduate degree program at both Master and Doctorate levels are offered in both CHPE and PNGE majors. In 2006, Petroleum and Natural Gas Engineering Program was substantially accredited by the Accreditation Board of Engineering and Technology (ABET). In 2008, Chemical and Process Engineering was accredited by ABET. In 2013, a visit by ABET team led to another successful accreditation cycle for both programs in August 2014. The Department is expecting another ABET visit in year 2019 for accreditation of both programs. The Department aims at providing a comprehensive state-of-the-art education for its students and thus equipping the students with essential skills needed to prepare them for the challenging highly competitive job market in the Petroleum/Chemical sectors.

This is achieved through a progressive sequence of subjects well-tailored to build a deep and sound understanding of the principles of engineering, emphasizing reasoning and engineering application in problem solving. All the programs are solidly constructed, with an excellent technology base, to provide sound and internationally acclaimed engineering education. The programs were designed in such a way to allow broad perspective, engendering social, cultural, ethical components, all combined to produce the engineer who is well aware of his/her leading role in the community.

The research in the Department covers many areas such as enhanced oil recovery, wastewater treatment, green engineering, modeling and control,  $CO_2$  capture, process optimization, desalination, multiphase flow, mineral resources, reservoir simulation, rock mechanics and reaction engineering. The formation of research groups at the department and college level is encouraged to enhance the research output. The faculty publications included 39 refereed journal articles, 1 book, 1 book chapter, 19 international conferences, 5 technical reports, and 4 newly approved research grants.

The Department also organizes workshops and conferences on regular basis. The most recent was The International Conference on Thermal Engineering: Theory and Applications, which was held in 2017. The conference was organized in collaboration with Ryerson University, Canada. Both faculty and post graduate students presented their research findings in front of international delegates as over 100 papers were presented at this occasion. The Department is committed to achieve excellence both in academic and research.

Prof. Rashid Al-Maamari HoD, Department of Petroleum and Chemical Engineering







## **SUMMARY**

Table E1: Summary

	2016	2017
Faculty	22	21
Support staff	9	8
Total	31	29
On-study leave	0	1
Undergraduate Program		
Enrollment (Y2-5)	315	311
Courses offered	57	57
Graduates	90	83
<b>Graduate Program</b>		
Enrollment	55	31
Courses offered	18	15
Graduates	12	20
Research		
Grants	6	4
Publications		
Refereed journals	53	39
Conference proceedings	31	19





#### Prof. Rashid Al-Maamari

Head of the Department

Research Interests: Enhanced Oil Recovery (Chemical, Thermal), Treatment and Utilization of Oilfield Produced Water

#### Dr. Ali Saud Al-Bemani

Associate Professor and Vice Chancellor of Sultan Qaboos University

Research Interests: Well Testing, Reservoir Engineering, Rock and Fluid Properties, Water Flooding, EOR, PVT,

Formation Damage Studies and Computer Application in Petroleum Engineering

#### Dr. Abdul Aziz Al-Hashmi

**Associate Professor** 

Research Interests: Polymer Enhanced Oil Recovery, Polymer Flow and Retention in Porous Media, Use of High Molecular Weight Polymers in Oil Field Applications, Water Conformance/Control from the Oil and Gas Wells, Polymer Rheology





#### Dr. Adel Al-Ajmi

**Associate Professor** 

Research Interests: Rock Mechanics, Petroleum Engineering

#### Dr. Ala'a Al-Muhtaseb

**Associate Professor** 

Research Interests: Biofuel Production from Bio-Waste, Fuel and Environment, Wastewater Treatment

#### Dr. Farouq Mjalli

**Associate Professor** 

Research Interests: Ionic Liquids and Deep Eutectic Solvents Applications as Green Solvents, Application of Advance Model-Based Process Control Strategies, Neural Network Based Modeling and Control

#### Dr. Gholamreza Vakili-Nejad

**Associate Professor** 

Research Interests: Applied Statistical Thermodynamics, Applied Hydrocarbon Thermodynamics, Characterization of Petroleum Fluids, Nano-Thermodynamics, Nano-Fluids







Dr. Hasan Abdellatif

**Associate Professor** 

Research Interests: Renewable Energy, Colloid Science, Water Treatment

#### Dr. Talal Al-Wahaibi

Associate Professor and Assistant Dean of Deanship of Research

Research Interests: Multiphase Flow and Separation, Flow and Diffusion in Porous Media, Multiphase Flow and Mixing

#### Dr. Yahya Al-Wahaibi

Associate Professor and Dean, Deanship of Research

Research Interests: Enhanced Oil Recovery with Emphasis on EOR, WAG Injection, Chemical Injection and VAPEX, Ionic Liquids Applications as Green Solvents, Flow and Diffusion in Porous Media, Multiphase Flow and Mixing

#### Dr. Ashish Gujarathi

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Process Optimization, Evolutionary Computation, Modeling and Simulation, Bio-Waste Utilization





#### Dr. Ghulam Murshid

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: CO<sub>2</sub> Separation via Reactive Absorption (Amines, Amino Acids), Synthesis of MOFs for CO<sub>2</sub> Capture

#### Dr. Hamoud Al-Hadrami

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Formation Damage, Drilling Engineering, Simulation Modeling, Geological Modeling

#### Dr. Jamil Naser

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Environmental Engineering, Water Quality, Green Solvents, Liquid Phase Sintering in Microgravity

#### Dr. Khalid Al-Rawahi

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Mineral Resources, Geology, Economic Analysis, Sustainable Development







Dr. Majid Al-Wadhahi

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Reservoir Simulation, -3Phase Flow in Porous Media, Artificial Neural Network

#### Dr. Mohammad Al-Abri

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Desalination, Water Treatment, Nanotechnology, Membrane Technology, Water Quality

#### Dr. Mohammad Usman

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Catalysis, Reaction Engineering

#### Dr. Omar Houache

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Production and End Use of New Absorbent for Mercury Removal, Production of Membrane Support using Natural Materials, Chemical Process Safety





#### Dr. Peyman Pourafshary

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Production Engineering, Enhanced Oil Recovery, Formation Damage, Fast Reservoir Simulation

#### Dr. Rashid Al-Hajri

**Assistant Professor** 

Research Interests: Engineering of Catalytic Processes for the Synthesis of Intermediates and Fine Chemicals, Modeling of Reaction Kinetics in Laboratory-Scale Catalytic Reactors, Methodologies for Efficient Catalyst Recycle, Chemical EOR

#### Suaad Al-Zakwani (Study Leave)

Demonstrator

Research Interest: Chemical Engineering

#### **Nasser Al-Mandhary**

Department Technician Superintendent

Research Interest: Surface Area Analysis







Sabri Al-Khusaibi

Chief Technician C

Research Interest: Rheology

Hamdan Al-Amri

Lab Supervisor B

Research Interests: Rock and Fluid Properties, Drilling Technology

Nayyar Afzal

Lab Supervisor A

Research Interest: Core Flooding-EOR

Mazin Al-Mahrezi

Engineer

Research Interest: Process Control





#### Salim Al-Mazrui

Lab Supervisor B

Research Interests: Produced Oil Field Water, Cleaning and Utilization

#### Adel Al-Rubkhi

Technician B

Research Interest: Chemical EOR

#### **Marycon Cordova**

Coordinator





## DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEES

#### **Table E2:** Departmental Committees

Table 22. Departmental committees		
DCED Postgraduate Studies and Possarch	Dr. Gholamreza Vakili-Nejad (Chair)	
PCED Postgraduate Studies and Research	Dr. Ashish M. Gujarathi	
Committee	Dr. Majid Al-Wadhahi	
PCED Publication and Web Coordinators	Dr. Ghulam Murshid	
PCED Information and Communication Committee	Dr. Adel Al-Ajmi	
	Dr. Abdulaziz Al-Hashmi (Chair)	
	Prof. Rashid Al-Maamari (HoD)	
PCED Curriculum and Accreditation Committee	Dr. Omar Houache	
PCED Curriculum and Accreditation Committee	Dr. Ashish Gujarathi	
	Dr. Hamoud Al-Hadrami (PNGE timetabling officer)	
	Dr. Jamil Naser (CHPE timetabling officer)	
PCED Industrial Training Committee (In-House and	Dr. Mohammad Al-Abri (Chair)	
Summer)	Dr. Ala'a Al-Muhatseb	





	Dr. Omar Houache (Chair)
	Dr. Faroug Mjalli
PCED HSE Committee	Mr. Nasser Al-Mandhari
	Mr. Salim Al-Mazrui
	Dr. Adel Al-Ajmi (SPE, SQU)
PCED Societies Advisors	Dr. Ala'a Al-Muhatseb (SCHEME)
	Prof. Rashid Al-Maamari (HoD)
PCED Staff-Student Liaison	Dr. Jamil Naser
	Four students from each cohort ( 2013 to 2015)
	Dr. Farouq Mjalli (Chair)
	Dr. Hasan Abdellatif Hasan
PCED Strategic Planning and Development	Dr. Talal Al-Wahaibi
Committee	Dr. Muhammad Rashid Usman
	Dr. Adel Al-Ajmi
	Dr. Ghulam Murshid
PCED Book and Library Coordinator	Dr. Muhammad Rashid Usman
PCED Industrial Outreach and Community Services	Dr. Rashid Al-Hajri (Chair)
Committee	Dr. Yahya Al-Wahaibi
	Prof. Rashid Al-Maamari (Chair)
	Dr. Majid Al-Wadhahi
PCED Appointment Committee	Dr. Khalid Al-Rawahy
Telb Appointment committee	Dr. Omar Houache
	Dr. Rashid Al-Hajri
	Dr. Gholamreza Vakili-Nejad
PCED Social Activity committee	Dr. Ala'a Al-Muhatseb (Chair)
Teb Social Activity Committee	Dr. Abdul Aziz Al-Hashmi
PCED Board Secretary	Dr. Muhammad Rashid Usman





# **UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES**

## **Courses**

Table E3: Courses Offered in Spring 2017

Table L3. Courses Offered in Spring 2017				
Code	Title	Instructor(s)		
CHPE3102/10	Engineering Thermodynamics	Dr. Ala'a Al-Muhtaseb		
CHPE3103/10	Professional Practice	Dr. Hasan Abdellatif Hasan		
CHPE3112/10	Principles of Chemical Processes	Dr. Jamil Nasser		
CHPE3302/10	Fluid Flow	Dr. Talal Khamis Al-Wahaibi		
CHPE3302/20	Fluid Flow	Dr. Ghulam Murshid		
CHPE3402/10	Heat Transfer	Dr. Abdul Aziz Rashid Al-Hashmi		
CHPE4114/10	Comp Aided Design	Dr. Ashish Gujrathi		
CHPE4114/20	Comp Aided Design	Dr. Ashish Gujrathi		
CHPE4192/10	Chemical Engineering Practice	Dr. Ghulam Murshid		
CHPE4402/10	Natural Gas Processing	Dr. Omar Houache		
CHPE4412/10	Process Heat Transfer	Dr. Gholamreza Vakili-Nejad		



Code	Title	Instructor(s)
CHPE4412/20	Process Heat Transfer	Dr. Gholamreza Vakili-Nejad
CHPE4512/10	Chemical Reaction Engineering	Dr. Rashid Salim Al-Hajri
CHPE4512/20	Chemical Reaction Engineering	Dr. Rashid Salim Al-Hajri
CHPE4612/10	Unit Operation II	Dr. Mohammad Zaher Al Abri
CHPE4612/20	Unit Operation II	Dr. Mohammad Zaher Al Abri
CHPE4912/10	Special Topics II	Dr. Gholamreza Vakili-Nejad
CHPE5207/10	Petroleum Refining	Dr. Abdul Aziz Rashid Al-Hashmi
CHPE5116/10	Biochemical Engineering	Dr. Ala'a Al-Muhtaseb
CHPE5212/10	Chemical Engineering Lab III	Dr. Farouk Sabri Mjalli
CHPE5212/20	Chemical Engineering Lab III	Dr. Farouk Sabri Mjalli
CHPE5512/10	Project II	Dr. Abdul Aziz Rashid Al-Hashmi
CHPE5512/20	Project II	Dr. Ala'a Al-Muhtaseb
CHPE5512/30	Project II	Dr. Ghulam Murshid
CHPE5512/40	Project II	Dr. Farouk Sabri Mjalli
CHPE5512/50	Project II	Dr. Omar Houache
CHPE5512/60	Project II	Dr. Jamil Nasser
CHPE5512/70	Project II	Dr. Rashid Salim Al-Hajri
CHPE5512/80	Project II	Dr. Ashish Gujrathi
CHPE5512/90	Project II	Dr. Gholamreza Vakili-Nejad
CHPE5512/100	Project II	Dr. Mohammad Zaher Al Abri
CHPE5512/110	Project II	Dr. Talal Khamis Al-Wahaibi
CHPE5512/120	Project II	Dr. Hasan Abdellatif Hasan
PETM3006/10	Engineering Geology	Dr. Khalid Hilal Al-Rawahi
PNGE2102/10	Basic Mechanics	Dr. Farook Khalfan
PNGE3202/10	Numerical Methods	Dr. Farouk Sabri Mjalli
PNGE3202/20	Numerical Methods	Dr. Farouk Sabri Mjalli
PNGE3212/10	Rock & Fluid Properties	Dr. Hamoud Khalfan Al-Hadrami
PNGE4101/10	Statistics for Engineers	Dr. Adel Mohammad Al-Ajmi
PNGE4101/20	Statistics for Engineers	Dr. Adel Mohammad Al-Ajmi
PNGE4512/10	Formation Evaluation	Dr. Hamoud Khalfan Al-Hadrami
PNGE4612/10	Well Testing	Prof. Rashid Salim Al-Maamari
PNGE4712/10	Reservoir Simulation	Dr. Majid Ahmed Al-Wadhahi





Code	Title	Instructor(s)
PNGE5102/10	Health, Safety& Environment	Dr. Omar Houache
PNGE5103/10	Engineering Economy	Dr. Hasan Abdellatif Hasan
PNGE5103/20	Engineering Economy	Dr. Hasan Abdellatif Hasan
PNGE5203/10	Management for PCE	Dr. Khalid Hilal Al-Rawahi
PNGE5215/10	Project II	Dr. Majid Ahmed Al-Wadhahi
PNGE5412/10	Field Process of NG	Dr. Yahya Mansoor Al-Wahaibi

Table E4: Courses Offered in Fall 2017

Code	Title	Instructor(s)
CHPE3101/10	Materials Engineering	Dr. Abdul Aziz Rashid Al-Hashmi
CHPE3102/10	Engineering Thermodynamics	Dr. Ala'a Al-Muhataseb
CHPE3102/20	Engineering Thermodynamics	Dr. Ala'a Al-Muhataseb
CHPE3103/10	Professional Practice	Dr. Hasan Abdellatif Hasan
CHPE3103/20	Professional Practice	Dr. Hasan Abdellatif Hasan
CHPE3112/10	Principles of Chemical Processes	Dr. Jamil Naser
CHPE3302/10	Fluid Flow	Dr. Talal Khamis Al-Wahaibi
CHPE3402/10	Heat Transfer	Dr. Muhammad Rashid Usman
CHPE4112/10	Chemical Eng. Thermodynamics	Dr. Ghulam Murshid
CHPE4112/20	Chemical Eng. Thermodynamics	Dr. Ghulam Murshid
CHPE4212/10	Unit Operations I	Dr. Rashid Salim Al-Hajri
CHPE4212/20	Unit Operations I	Dr. Rashid Salim Al-Hajri
CHPE4302/10	Desalination	Dr. Mohammad Zaher Al Abri
CHPE4312/10	Chemical Engineering Lab I	Dr. Jamil Naser
CHPE4312/20	Chemical Engineering Lab I	Dr. Jamil Naser
CHPE4712/10	Chemical Engineering Lab II	Dr. Farouq Sabri Mjalli
CHPE4712/20	Chemical Engineering Lab II	Dr. Farouq Sabri Mjalli
CHPE5112/10	Chemical Process Control	Dr. Farouq Sabri Mjalli
CHPE5112/20	Chemical Process Control	Dr. Farouq Sabri Mjalli
CHPE5312/10	Project I	Dr. Ashish Gujrathi
CHPE5312/20	Project I	Dr. Ala'a Al-Muhataseb
CHPE5312/30	Project I	Dr. Ala'a Al-Muhataseb
CHPE5312/40	Project I	Dr. Jamil Naser



Code	Title	Instructor(s)
CHPE5312/50	Project I	Dr. Talal Khamis Al-Wahaibi
CHPE5312/60	Project I	Dr. Abdulaziz Rashid Al-Hashmi
CHPE5312/70	Project I	Dr. Gholamreza Vakili-Nejad
CHPE5312/80	Project I	Dr. Rashid Salim Al-Hajri
CHPE5312/90	Project I	Dr. Mohammad Zaher Al Abri
CHPE5312/100	Project I	Dr. Farouk Sabri Mjalli
CHPE5312/110	Project I	Dr. Hasan Abdellatif Hasan
CHPE5312/120	Project I	Dr. Ghulam Murshid
CHPE5312/130	Project I	Dr. Muhammad Rashid Usman
CHPE5412/10	Plant & Process Design	Dr. Hasan Abdellatif Hasan
CHPE5412/20	Plant & Process Design	Dr. Hasan Abdellatif Hasan
CHPE5612/10	Chemical Process Safety	Dr. Omar Houache
CHPE5612/20	Chemical Process Safety	Dr. Omar Houache
PETM3006/10	Engineering Geology	Dr. Khalid Hilal Al-Rawahi
PNGE3111/10	Chemistry for Petroleum Engineering	Dr. Muhammad Rashid Usman
PNGE3112/10	Introduction to PNGE	Dr. Mahvash Karimi
PNGE3202/10	Numerical Methods	Dr. Ashish Gujrathi
PNGE4101/10	Statistics for Engineers	Dr. Adel Mohammad Al-Ajmi
PNGE4212/10	Drilling Technology	Dr. Hamoud Khalfan Al-Hadrami
PNGE4312/10	Drilling Technology Lab	Dr. Hamoud Khalfan Al-Hadrami
PNGE4412/10	Reservoir Engineering	Prof. Rashid Salim Al-Maamari
PNGE5103/10	Engineering Economy	Dr. Ashish Gujrathi
PNGE5112/10	Production Engineering	Dr. Yahya Mansoor Al-Wahaibi
PNGE5115/10	Project I	Dr. Majid Ahmed Al-Wadhahi
PNGE5122/10	Introduction to Rock Mechanics	Dr. Adel Mohammad Al-Ajmi
PNGE5203/10	Management for PCE	Dr. Khalid Hilal Al-Rawahi
PNGE5212/10	Secondary Oil Recovery	Dr. Majid Ahmed Al-Wadhahi





## **POSTGRADUATE STUDIES**

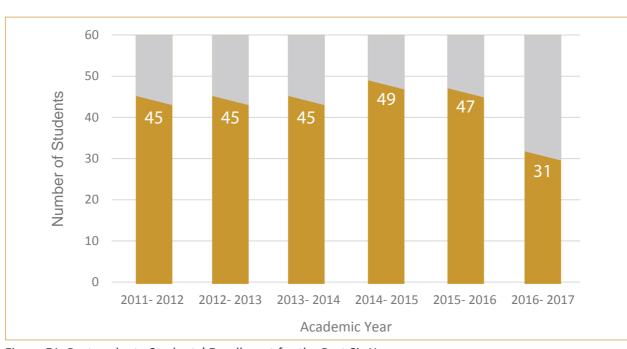


Figure E1: Postgraduate Students' Enrollment for the Past Six Years



## Courses

 Table E5: Postgraduate Courses Offered in Year 2017

Semester	Code	Title	Instructor(s)
	CHPE6200/10	Advanced Chemical Thermodynamic	Dr. Gholamreza Vakili-Nejad
	CHPE7001/10	Thesis	Dr. Gholamreza Vakili-Nejad
	CHPE8001/10	PhD Thesis	Dr. Gholamreza Vakili-Nejad
Fall 2017	PNGE6001/10	Transport Processes	Dr. Nader Mosavat
	PNGE6108/10	Thermo physical Properties of Fluids	Dr. Gholamreza Vakili-Nejad
	PNGE7001/10	Thesis	Dr. Majid Al-Wadhahi
	PNGE8001 /10	PhD Thesis	Dr. Gholamreza Vakili-Nejad
	CHPE6100/10	Advanced Transport Phenomena	Dr. Gholamreza Vakili-Nejad
	CHPE6300/10	Advanced Chemical Reaction	Dr. Ashish Gujrathi
	CHPE7001/10	Thesis	Dr. Gholamreza Vakili-Nejad
Spring 2017	CHPE8001/10	PhD Thesis	Dr. Gholamreza Vakili-Nejad
Spring 2017	PNGE6002/10	Advanced Reservoir Engineering	Dr. Peyman Pourafshary
	PNGE6105/10	Oil Recovery Methods	Dr. Peyman Pourafshary
	PNGE7001/10	Thesis	Dr. Majid Al-Wadhahi
	PNGE8001 /10	PhD Thesis	Dr. Majid Al-Wadhahi

## **Postgraduate Students' Projects**

**Table E6:** Students' Projects in Year 2017

No	Name	Project Title	
1	Yaqoob Sulaiman Mohammad Al	Numerical Modeling and Economical Evaluation of Low	
	Marshoudi	Salinity Waterflooding in Tight Carbonate Reservoir in	
		North Oman	
2	Jamal Saif Mansour Al Aamri	Modified Cubic EOS for Improved Density Prediction	
3	Iman Khalifa Mohamed Al Khanbashi	Measurement of Oil Swelling using Carbonated Water	
		Injection	
4	Taher Yousuf Al Ghailani	Alkaline-Biosurfactant- Biopolymer Process and its	
		Potential for Enhancing Oil Recovery in Omani Oil Field:	
		Experimental Study	





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	5	Khulood Salim Khamis Al Nofli	Effect of the Initial Wettability on Performance of LSW for Carbonate
	6	Hamda Said Ali Al Kindi	Intergration of Fibre Optics Data (DTS & DAS) with Reservoir Petrophysical Properties
	7	Nadia Said Masoud Al Khalifin	Wellbore Stability Analysis in Sandstone Formations During Production
	8	Bilal Sami Shaheed	Geomechanical Stability Analysis in Shale Formations During Drilling
1	9	Walaa Sid Ahmed Rahma Mohammad	Enhancement of Deep Desulfurization of Liquid Fuels Using Deep Eutectic Solvents and Emulsification
	10	Amira Sulaiman Rashid Al Gharibi	Modeling and Optimization Hydrotreating Process in Trickle Bed Reactor
	11	Alla Salim Ali Al Abri	Simulation of a Gas with Condensate Pipeline in Oman North to Estimate the Physical Parameters
	12	Alanood Nasser Abdullah Al Breiki	Economic, Energy and Environment Based Criteria for Recovery Processes using Evolutionary Multi-objective Optimization Approach
	13	Ibtisam Saif Rashid Al Shabibi	Investigating Water Compatibility and Injectivity Decline at Bahja Field
	14	Maryam Mohammed Isma'il Alkamali	Non-Routine Flaring in Upstream Oil and GAS Industry - Root Causes AND Mitigations
	15	Mohammed Mahdi Eshrati (PhD)	Mechanistic Study of Drag Reducing Polymers
	16	Abdullahi Yusuf (PhD)	Catalytic Upgrading of Heavy Oil using Liquid Catalyst
	17	Muna Hamed Salim Al Hinai (PhD)	Multifunctional Membrane Fabrication for Enhanced Desalination Processes of Seawater
	18	Farrukh Jamil (PhD)	Green Fuel Production from Oman Based Biomass





## RESEARCH

## **Grants and Contracts**

Table E7:: New Grants, Contracts and Consultancies by Faculty Members in Year 2017

Research Title	Principal Investigator	Sponsors	Budget (OMR)
Elimination of Polutted Brine well-recharge using solar-powered zero-liquid discharge brackish water desalination in Oman	Dr. Mohammad Al-Abri	SQU, Internal	700
Carbon Dioxide Capture Using Environmentally Friendly Solvents	Dr. Jamil Nasir	SQU, Internal	5,500
Optimization of Process Design Problems Using Evolutionary Algorithms	Dr. Ashish Gujarathi	SQU, Internal	5,500
Analysis of Solids from Nimlr Export Pumps	Dr. Mohammad Al-Abri	PDO	75,000



#### **Publications**

#### **Refereed Journal Papers**

- 1. Alkhamisi, S.A., Hamid, C.A., Nadaf, S.K., Al-Bakri, A.N., Al-Maamari, R.S. and Choudri, B. 2017. Influence of Boron on Sorghum (Sorghum Bicolor L.) Forage Yield under Different Water Salinity Levels. *International Journal of Contemporary Applied Researches*, 4:50-61.
- 2. Jamil, F., Saxena, S.S., Al-Muhtaseb, A.H., Baawain, B., Al-Abri, M., Viswanadham, N., Kumar, G. and Abu-Jrai, A.M. 2017. Valorization of Waste "date seeds" Bio-Glycerol for Synthesizing Oxidative Green Fuel Additive. *Journal of Cleaner Production*, 165:1090-1096.
- 3. Jamil, F., Al-Muhtaseb, A.H., Baawain, M., Al-Haj, L. and Al-Hinai, M. 2017. Phoenix Dactylifera Kernel Oil Used As Potential Source for Synthesizing Jet Fuel and Green Diesel. *Energy Proceedia*, 118:35-39.
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## **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

#### **Awards**

- 1. Ala'a H. Al-Muhtaseb, Best Researcher Award for 2017 (College of Engineering, SQU), May 2017.
- 2. Farouk S. Mjalli, Student: Walaa S. Ahmed Rahma, First Place at the 3 Minutes Thesis Competition (SQU 2017). Title of the project: "Enhancement of extractive deep desulfurization of liquid fuels using polymeric-based eutectic solvents and emulsification".
- Mohammad Al-Abri, Student: Mona Hamed Al-Hinai: Best young researcher award at Second GCC
  Marine Biotechnology Conference: Emerging opportunities and future perspectives (2017, Oman).
  Title of the project: "Toward Biofouling Inhibition of Poly(ether sulfone) Membranes by in Situ Growth
  of ZnONanorods".
- 4. Dr. Adel Al-Ajmi, Students: Bilal Shaheed and Nadia Al Khalifin: Second Place at the SPE Annual Student Poster Competition (SASPC 2017, Oman). Title of the project: "Geomechanical Stability Charts for Omani Fields".





#### **Short Courses and Co-operations**

- 1. Al-Abri, M. 2017. "JINR Expertise for Member States and Partner Countries" International Training Programme, Duna, Russia, 17-21 April 2017.
- 2. Al-Wadhahi, M.A. 2017. tNavigator training course, SQU, Muscat, Oman, 15-18 January 2017.

#### **Invited Talks/Guest Speaker**

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- 3. Mjalli, F.S. 2017 "Designer Solvents", New Findings and Challenges, The 10<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Thermal Engineering Theory and Applications, Muscat, Sultanate of Oman, 26 February 2017.
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#### **Society of Chemical Engineers (SChemE)**



### **Workshops, Short Training Courses and Competitions**

- 1. Aspen Plus Workshop (8/10/2017): Aspen Plus work shop was organized by the society of chemical engineering students (SchemE) to teach basics of the software and its application to final year design project.
- 2. Safety Seminar (28/11/2017): Seminar on safety was organized by the society of chemical engineering students (SCHEME) at PCED to bring awareness about personal and workplace safety. The students were involved in first aid training and lab safety rules.
- 3. Blood donation (12/9/2107): Team of students known as "Together for Good" organized the blood donation drive at SQU.
- 4. Chemical Engineering Gathering (12-15/02/2017): Focus was on chemical plant design including safety and environmental issues receiving great attention globally.
- 5. Engineering Challenge (20/02/2017): Organized between students of various engineering majors In the College of Engineering at SQU. In addition, some engineering colleges from outside with the aim of compete and exchange ideas between the students.
- 6. Chem E Car Competition (13/02/2017): Designing a car that uses a green energy.





### Society of Petroleum Engineers – SQU SPE Students Chapter



## **Workshops, Short Training Courses and Competitions**

- 1. Excel/Matlab Workshop (16/11/2017): A workshop on Excel and Matlab was organised in PNGE computer lab to develop efficient use of the two softwares
- 2. Petro-field Competition (02/12/2017): Competition for PNGE students to familiarize students with culture of petroleum industry.
- 3. Art of Presentation (27/11/2017): A workshop for PNGE students, designed to enhance their powerpoint presentation skills.
- 4. National Day Celebration (20/11/2017): PNGE students organised an open day to celebrate national day.







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