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BIO SKETCH

Negar Elhami-Khorasani is a Professor in the Department of Civil, Structural and Environmental Engineering at the University at Buffalo. Her primary areas of research are structural fire engineering, performance-based design of structures at high temperatures, resilience of communities under extreme hazards, including wildfires and earthquakes, and characterization of multi-hazard events and their effects on structures and communities. Her research portfolio includes large-scale physical experiments, computational modeling, and the development of fundamental theory for the evaluation and design of structures and communities facing extreme events. Her research products enhance safety and enable resilience by developing codes, standards, and guidelines and minimize losses by optimizing mitigation, preparedness, and response strategies. She has established national and international collaborations, including Johns Hopkins University, the University of California, Los Angeles, the University of Nevada, Reno, Princeton University, Ghent University in Belgium, the University of Trento in Italy, and the University of Queensland, Australia.

Her wildfire research has resulted in the development of a comprehensive framework for simulating fire spread in wildland-urban interface communities and conducting wildfire risk assessments. In 2023, her team modeled the Lahaina Fire on Maui in its immediate aftermath to analyze the drivers of loss. She was also involved in data collection and analysis of the 2025 Los Angeles wildfires and led the modeling efforts. Her fire-spread framework was adopted by officials in a Northern California city of 120,000 to enhance its Community Wildfire Protection Plans. Recently, she received a Department of Energy grant to refine fire spread models and implement a system for tracking fire arrival times to critical energy infrastructure.

Elhami-Khorasani was the co-chair of the ASCE/SEI Fire Protection Committee and is currently the co-chair of the SEAoNY Resilience Committee. She also serves on the Board of Directors of the [Applied Technology Council](#), which is an internationally recognized organization dedicated to advancing engineering applications to improve societal resistance to extreme natural hazards such as earthquakes, wind, floods, and fires. She is an associate editor of Fire Technology, the peer-reviewed journal of the National Fire Protection Association and the Society of Fire Protection Engineering. She is also on the editorial board of Reliability Engineering and System Safety and an associate editor of the ASCE OPEN. Elhami-Khorasani has served as an external committee member for Ph.D. degrees in the US, Italy, Germany, Hong Kong, and South Africa. Her research has been funded by the US National Science Foundation, Department of Energy, United States Geological Survey, National Fire Protection Association, Department of Transportation, and other agencies.

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Civil Engineering - Structural Engineering 2010-2015
Princeton University, Princeton, NJ, USA
Thesis: A Probabilistic Framework for Multi-Hazard Evaluations of Buildings and Communities Subject to Fire and Earthquake Scenarios
Supervisor: Maria Garlock

M.A.Sc. Civil Engineering - Structural Engineering 2008-2010
University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada

Thesis: System-level Structural Reliability of Bridges
Supervisor: Paul Gauvreau

B.A.Sc. Civil Engineering (Honors) 2004-2008
University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada
Thesis: Structural Reliability and Robustness in Probabilistic Design
Supervisor: Paul Gauvreau

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Professor, University at Buffalo, Department of Civil, Structural and Environmental Engineering, August 2026 - present.

Associate Professor, University at Buffalo, Department of Civil, Structural and Environmental Engineering, January 2022 - August 2026.

Assistant Professor, University at Buffalo, Department of Civil, Structural and Environmental Engineering, January 2016 - December 2021.

Postdoctoral Research Associate, Princeton University, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, July 2015 - December 2015: developed fragility curves for steel buildings under fire; worked with the Hazus and Ergo programs to study community resiliency under post-earthquake fires.

Research Assistant, Princeton University, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, September 2010 - June 2015: developed a probabilistic assessment of parametric temperature-time curves for office building fires; modified the source code of the OpenSees software for fire and fire following earthquake analyses of steel structures; performed risk analysis of steel office buildings under fire and fire following earthquake.

Research Assistant, University of Toronto, Department of Civil Engineering, Sept. 2008 - Aug. 2010: developed a working definition and mathematical characterization for the reliability of a bridge system; evaluated safety index of a conventional bridge system (three-span twin girder steel bridge); evaluated safety index of a new bridge system (double-T high-performance concrete bridge).

National Scholarship Research Student (NSERC-USRA), University of Toronto, Department of Civil Engineering, May 2008 - August 2008: prepared an annotated bibliography of available literature on robust structural systems.

Summer Intern (Engineer), TWD Roads - Carillion Canada, Toronto, Canada, June 2007 - August 2007: conducted weather analysis for material estimation; performed project evaluation and review of the progress for tender values; researched Anti-Icing and Road Weather Information System (RWIS) technologies; created highway maintenance work schedule with Microsoft Project; created/updated labor/material reconciliation spreadsheets.

Senior Structure Drafter, Ministry of Transportation Ontario (MTO), Toronto, Canada, May 2006 - August 2006: prepared bridge inspection Request for Proposal (RFP) documents; arranged location maps; bridge inspection data sheets and drawings; inspected bridges in Central Region, Ontario; created and updated Ontario Bridge Management System (OBMS) files.

Summer Intern (Engineer), Delcan Corporation, Toronto, Canada, May 2005 - August 2005: inspected bridges to identify erosion problems; obstructions to water flow and other general defects; prepared report of bridge inspection to be submitted to the City of Toronto; performed quantity estimating; moving coordinator of the structural department.

HONORS, AWARDS, AND RECOGNITIONS

University at Buffalo

Magnusson Early Career Award, International Association for Fire Safety Science, 2026
UB's Exceptional Scholar: Young Investigator Award, 2021
Fire Protection Research Foundation Medal, National Fire Protection Association, 2020
AISC Early Career Faculty Award, 2020
Structural Engineering Institute (SEI) Young Professional Scholarship, April 2019
ASCE ExCEED Fellow, July 2016

Princeton University

Nominated by the Dept. of Civil and Env'l Eng. for the Graduate School Teaching Award, Spring 2013
Recipient of the Sherrerd Foundation Fellowship in the Dept. of Civil and Env'l Engineering, Fall 2013
Recipient of the Norman J. Sollenberger Fund, January 2012
Gordon Wu Fellow – Princeton University, Sept. 2010 - 2015
NSERC Post Graduate Scholarship (PGSD2), Sept. 2010 - Sept. 2012

University of Toronto

NSERC Post Graduate Scholarship (PGSM), Sept. 2008 - Sept. 2010
Beatty Fellowship Award, 2008 - Sept. 2009
Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering R.A. Downing Scholarship in Civil Engineering, Sept. 2007
Yolles-Bergmann Scholarship for 3rd year (Steel and Concrete) Structural Design Projects, Aug. 2007
Greater Toronto Sewer and Watermain Contractors Association Award in Civil Engineering, Aug. 2007
Nominated for Halsall Scholarship in Building Engineering, July 2007
Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering R.A. Downing Scholarship in Civil Engineering, Aug. 2006
Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering UMA Scholarship in Civil Engineering, Aug. 2006
Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering James Franceschini Foundation Scholarship, Aug. 2005
Rank 2 of the civil engineering class at the University of Toronto for seven semesters, 2004-2008
University of Toronto Admission Scholarship, Aug. 2004
Successfully attended Mathematics and Computer Olympiads at the national level in high school, 2002

REFEREED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

Underlined: student at UB (Ph.D. advisee: * Master advisee: * Undergraduate advisee: ^U Other: ^o)

Google Scholar citations: 2463 (<https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=2zvRsWMAAAAJ&hl=en>)

[J64] Ding, Y., Gernay, T., Li, X., Elhami-Khorasani, N., Xu, S., Huang, X. (2026). "AI assessment of structural fuel load and fire risk via street house images in wildland-urban interface." *Applications in Energy and Combustion Science*, 27: 100525.

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[J62] Ding, Y., Saharan, N.*, Elhami-Khorasani, N., Gernay, T., Zhang, Y., Huang, X. (2026). "Coupling computer-vision house fuel load estimation with fire spread simulation in the wildland-urban interface." *Fire Safety Journal*, 62: 104713. ***The first author, Yifei Ding, received the Sheldon Tieszen Student Award from the International FORUM of Fire Research Directors for this paper.***

[J61] Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2026). "Rethinking fire resilience in the built environment: A comparative review of post-earthquake and WUI fires." *Fire Safety Journal*, 62: 104697.

- [J60] Emadi, A., Tajik, N.^{*}, Gomes, A., Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2026). "Structural fire behavior of tunnel sections: assessing the effects of full burnout and spalling effects." *Tunnelling and Underground Space Technology*, 171: 107461.
- [J59] Kim, J., Hu, Y., Elhami-Khorasani, N., Sun, K., Zhou, R.Z. (2026). "Assessment of deep learning models integrated with weather and environmental variables for wildfire spread prediction and a case study of the 2023 Maui fires." *Natural Hazards*, 122(10).
- [J58] Jana, D., Malama, S., Szasdi-Bardales, F.^{*}, Shaik, R.U., Narasimhan, S., Elhami-Khorasani, N., Taciroglu, E. (2025). "Improving wildfire resilience of road networks through generative models." *Reliability Engineering & System Safety*, 264, Part B: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ress.2025.111429>.
- [J57] Tajik, N.^{*}, Elhami-Khorasani, N., Ranade, R., Tessari, A. (2025). "Experimental study of post-fire bond strength between steel reinforcing bars and concrete using beam-end specimens." *Engineering Structures*, 336: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.engstruct.2025.120450>.
- [J56] Ding, Y., Deng, R., Zhang, Y., Huang, X., Elhami-Khorasani, N., Gernay, T. (2025). "Automatic assessment of fuel load and fire risk via digitized database and intelligent computer vision." *Process Safety and Environmental Protection*, 197: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.psep.2025.107031>.
- [J55] Castillo, R.^{*}, Okumus, P., Elhami-Khorasani, N., Chandola, V. (2025). "Shear condition classification of cracked reinforced concrete beams using machine learning." *ASCE Journal of Bridge Engineering*, 30(7): <https://doi.org/10.1061/JBENF2.BEENG-729>.
- [J54] Szasdi-Bardales, F.^{*}, Shamsaei, K., Juliano, T.W., Kosovic, B., Ebrahimian, H., Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2025). "An offline coupling of fire spread models to simulate the 2021 Marshall Fire." *International Journal of Wildland Fire*, 34, WF24027.
- [J53] Syed, M.^{*}, Elhami-Khorasani, N., Okumus, P., Crocker, G.F., Ross, B.E., Kleiss, M.C. (2025). "Fragility functions for structural architectural shear walls with interlocking modules." *Sustainable and Resilient Infrastructure*, 10(3): 223-236, <https://doi.org/10.1080/23789689.2024.2403886>.
- [J52] Qureshi, R.K.^{*}, Elhami-Khorasani, N., Sivaselvan, M., Weinreber, S. (2024). "Developing real-time hybrid simulation to capture column buckling in a steel frame under fire." *Journal of Constructional Steel Research*, 222: 108950.
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- [J50] Castillo, R.^{*}, Elhami-Khorasani, N., Okumus, P., Chandola, V. (2024). "Using crack width for shear, stiffness, and stirrup strain history predictions for reinforced concrete beams." *Structure and Infrastructure Engineering*, <https://doi.org/10.1080/15732479.2024.2359488>.
- [J49] Szasdi-Bardales, F.^{*}, Shamsaei, K., Lareau, N., Juliano, T.W., Kosovic, B., Ebrahimian, H., Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2024). "Integrating dynamic wildland fire position input with a community fire spread simulation: a case study of the 2018 Camp Fire." *Fire Safety Journal*, 143, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.firesaf.2023.104076>.
- [J48] Juliano, T.W., Szasdi-Bardales, F.^{*}, Lareau, N.P., Shamsaei, K., Kosovic, B., Elhami-Khorasani, N., James, E.P., and Ebrahimian, H. (2024). "Brief communication: The Lahaina Fire disaster: How models can be used to understand and predict wildfires." *Natural Hazards and Earth System Sciences*, 24, 47–52, <https://doi.org/10.5194/nhess-24-47-2024>.
- [J47] Covi, P., Tondini, N., Sarreshtehdari, A.^{*}, Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2024). "Fire following earthquake fragility functions for protected steel braced frames." *Fire Technology*, <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10694-023-01526-0>.

- [J46] Covi, P., Tondini, N., Sarreshtehdari, A.^{*}, Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2023). “Development of a novel fire following earthquake probabilistic framework applied to a steel braced frame,” *Structural Safety*, 105: 102377.
- [J45] Syed, M.^{*}, Okumus, P., Elhami-Khorasani, N., Ross, B.E., Kleiss, M.C. (2023). “Behavior and modeling of tessellated shear walls in a structural frame system.” *Resilient Cities and Structures*, 2(1): 152-161.
- [J44] Elhami-Khorasani, N., Kinatader, M., Lemiale, V., Manzello, S.L., Marom, I., Marquez, L., Suzuki, S., Theodori, M., Wang, Y., Wong, S. (2023). “Review of research and on human behavior in large outdoor fires,” *Fire Technology*, 59: 1341-1377.
- [J43] Masoudvaziri, N.^o, Elhami-Khorasani, N., Sun, K. (2023). “Toward probabilistic risk assessment of wildland-urban interface communities for wildfires,” *Fire Technology*, 59: 1379-1403. ***This paper was selected as Editor’s choice.***
- [J42] Hua, N.^{*}, Elhami-Khorasani, N., Tessari, A. (2023). “Utilizing advanced modelling for fire damage assessment of reinforced concrete tunnel linings,” *IABSE Structural Engineering International*, 33(4): 586-595, doi.org/10.1080/10168664.2022.2161440.
- [J41] Zhu, Z., Quiel, S., Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2023). “Bivariate structural-fire fragility curves for simple-span overpass bridges with composite steel plate girders,” *Structural Safety*, 100: 102294.
- [J40] Shahraki, M.^o, Hua, N.^{*}, Elhami-Khorasani, N., Tessari, A., Garlock, M. (2022). “Residual compressive strength of concrete after exposure to high temperature: A review and probabilistic models,” *Fire Safety Journal*, 103698.
- [J39] Elhami-Khorasani, N., Ebrahimian, H., Buja, L., Cutter, S., Kosovic, B., Lareau, N., Meacham, B.J., Rowell, E., Taciroglu, E., Thompson, M.P., Watts, A.C. (2022). “Conceptualizing a probabilistic risk and loss assessment framework for wildfires,” *Natural Hazards*, 114: 1153–1169.
- [J38] Qureshi, R.^{*}, Van Coile, R., Hopkin, D., Gernay, T., Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2022). “Reliability assessment of the US prescriptive standard for steel columns under fire.” *Structures*, 40: 711-724.
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- [J36] Hua, N.^{*}, Elhami-Khorasani, N., Tessari, A. (2022). “Numerical modeling of the behavior of reinforced concrete tunnel slabs during heating and cooling,” *Engineering Structures*, 258: 114135.
- [J35] Castillo, R.^{*}, Okumus, P., Elhami-Khorasani, N., Chandola, V. (2022). “Machine learning for shear strength of reinforced-concrete beams,” *ACI Structural Journal*, 119(3).
- [J34] He, Z.^o, Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2022). “Identification and hierarchical structure of cause factors for fire following earthquake using data mining and interpretative structural modeling,” *Natural Hazards*, 112: 947–976, <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11069-022-05214-0>.
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- [J32] Salado Castillo, J.G.^x, Bruneau, M., Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2022). “Functionality measures for quantification of building seismic resilience index,” *Engineering Structures*, 253: 113800.
- [J31] Hua, N.^{*}, Elhami Khorasani, N., Tessari, A., Ranade, R. (2022). “Experimental study of fire damage to reinforced concrete tunnel slabs,” *Fire Safety Journal*, 127: 103504.
- [J30] Elsayed, M.E.A.^x Crocker, G.F., Ross, B.E., Okumus, P., Kleiss, M.C., Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2022). “Finite element modeling of tessellated beams.” *Journal of Building Engineering*, 46, 103586.

- [J29] Sarreshtehdari, A.^{*}, Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2022). “Post-earthquake emergency response time to locations of fire ignitions,” *Journal of Earthquake Engineering*, 26(7): 3389-3416. <https://doi.org/10.1080/13632469.2020.1802369>.
- [J28] Syed, M.^{*}, Moeini, M.^{*}, Okumus, P., Elhami-Khorasani, N., Ross, B.E., Kleiss, M.C. (2021). “Analytical study of tessellated structural-architectural reinforced concrete shear walls.” *Engineering Structures*, 244: 112768.
- [J27] Sarreshtehdari, A.^{*}, Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2021). “Integrating the fire department response within a fire following earthquake framework for application in urban areas,” *Fire Safety Journal*, 124: 103397.
- [J26] Masoudvaziri, N.^o, Szasdi Bardales, F.J.^{*}, Keskin, O.K.^o, Sarreshtehdari, A.^{*}, Sun, K., Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2021). “Streamlined wildland-urban interface fire tracing (SWUIFT): modeling wildfire spread in communities,” *Environmental Modelling and Software*, 143, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.envsoft.2021.105097>.
- [J25] Coar, M., Sarreshtehdari, A.^{*}, Garlock, M., Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2021). “Methodology and challenges of fire following earthquake analysis: an urban community study considering water and transportation networks,” *Natural Hazards*, 109, <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11069-021-04795-6>.
- [J24] Hua, N.^{*}, Tessari, A., Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2021). “Characterizing damage in a concrete lining during a tunnel fire,” *Tunnelling and Underground Space Technology*, 109.
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- [J22] Elhami-Khorasani, N., Salado Castillo, J.G.^{*}, Gernay, T. (2021). “A digitized fuel load surveying methodology using machine vision,” *Fire Technology*, 57: 207-232, <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10694-020-00989-9>.
- [J21] Elhami-Khorasani, N., Salado Castillo, J.G.^{*}, Saula, E.^U, Josephs, T.^{*}, Nurlybekova, G.^U, Gernay, T. (2021). “Application of a digitized fuel load surveying methodology to office buildings,” *Fire Technology*, 57: 101-122, <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10694-020-00990-2>.
- [J20] Jovanovic, B., Van Coile, R., Hopkin, D., Elhami-Khorasani, N., Lange, D., Gernay, T. (2021). “Review of current practice in probabilistic structural fire engineering – permanent and live load modelling,” *Fire Technology*, 57: 1-30, <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10694-020-01005-w>.
- [J19] Hua, N.^{*}, Tessari, A., Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2020). “Quantifying uncertainties in the temperature-time evolution of railway tunnel fires,” *Fire Technology*, 57: 361-392, <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10694-020-01007-8>.
- [J18] Ross, B., Yang, C.^o, Kleiss, C., Okumus, P., Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2020). “Tessellated structural-architectural systems: a concept for efficient construction, repair, and disassembly,” *ASCE Journal of Architectural Engineering*, 26(3), [https://doi.org/10.1061/\(ASCE\)AE.1943-5568.0000418](https://doi.org/10.1061/(ASCE)AE.1943-5568.0000418).
- [J17] Van Coile, R., Hopkin, D., Elhami-Khorasani, N., Gernay, T. (2020). “Demonstrating adequate safety for a concrete column exposed to fire, using probabilistic methods,” *Fire and Materials*, <https://doi.org/10.1002/fam.2835>.
- [J16] Qureshi, R.^{*}, Ni, S., Elhami-Khorasani, N., Van Coile, R., Hopkin, D., Gernay, T. (2020). “Probabilistic models for temperature dependent strength of steel and concrete,” *ASCE Journal of Structural Engineering*, 146(6).
- [J15] Gernay, T., Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2020). “Recommendations for performance-based fire design of composite steel building using computational analysis,” *Journal of Constructional Steel Research*, 166: 105906, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jcsr.2019.105906>.

- [J14] Sarreshtehdari, A.^{*}, Elhami-Khorasani, N., Coar, M. (2020). "A streamlined approach for evaluating post-earthquake performance of electric networks." *Sustainable and Resilient Infrastructure*, 5(5), <https://doi.org/10.1080/23789689.2018.1542211>.
- [J13] Coar, M., Garlock, M.E.M., Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2020). "Effects of water network dependency on the electric network for post-earthquake fire suppression." *Sustainable and Resilient Infrastructure*, 5(5): 269-288, <https://doi.org/10.1080/23789689.2018.1563408>
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- [J9] Gernay, T., Elhami-Khorasani, N., Garlock, M.E.M. (2019). "Fire fragility functions for steel frame buildings: Sensitivity analysis and reliability framework." *Fire Technology*, 55:1175-1210. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10694-018-0764-5>.
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JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS SUBMITTED FOR REVIEW

Underlined: student at UB (Ph.D. advisee: ^{*} Master advisee: ^{*} Undergraduate advisee: ^U Other: ^o)

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[J67] Bavandpour, M., Or, D., Elhami-Khorasani, N., Parhizkar, T., Thompson, M.P., Ebrahimian, H. “Probabilistic wildfire risk assessment: a computationally efficient framework for systematic uncertainty propagation.” Submitted to *Reliability Engineering & System Safety*.

[J66] Szasdi Bardales, F.^{*}, Elhami-Khorasani, N., Rice, C., Drinkwater, S. “Integrating explicit WUI fire spread modeling into a wildfire damage assessment framework.” Submitted to *Fire Technology*.

[J65] Lasheen, M.H.^{*}, Okumus, P., Elhami-Khorasani, N., Chandola, V. “Predicting shear strength of prestressed concrete beams using machine learning.” Submitted to the *ACI Structural Journal*.

CONFERENCE PUBLICATIONS

Underlined: student at UB (Ph.D. advisee: ^{*} Master advisee: ^{*} Undergraduate advisee: ^U Other: ^o), bold: presenting author

[C57] Bernat, B., Tajik, N.^{*}, Zubek, M.^U, Sigurðardóttir, D.H., Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2026). “Incorporating spalling uncertainty into fire-induced damage analysis of concrete structures.” *Proceedings of the 14th International Conference on Structures in Fire*, Kingston, Canada, May 18-21.

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- [50] Saharan, N.^{*}, **Elhami-Khorasani, N.** (2026). “Influence of built environment characteristics on fire spread dynamics and community-scale damage,” NHERI Computational Symposium, UC Berkeley, CA, May 28-29.

- [49] **Elhami-Khorasani, Szasdi Bardales, F. ***, Rice, C., Drinkwater, S. (2026). “Community-scale wildfire damage assessment: a case study of Berkeley, California,” Structures Congress, Boston, MA, April 29-May 1.
- [48] **Hadinata, P.**, Liu, W., **Saharan, N. ***, **Szasdi Bardales, F. ***, Shaik, R.U., Frediani, M., Juliano, T.W., Rahimi, S., Taciroglu, E., Hall, A., Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2025). “Modeling the Eaton Fire through the wildland and urban landscapes,” Abstract A42G-05, AGU Fall Meeting, New Orleans, LA, Dec. 15-19.
- [47] **Saharan, N. ***, Liu, W., Hadinata, P., **Szasdi Bardales, F. ***, Shaik, R.U., Frediani, M., Juliano, T.W., Rahimi, S., Taciroglu, E., Hall, A., Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2025). “Influence of built environment characteristics on fire spread: A case study of the Eaton Fire,” Abstract A43EE-2318, AGU Fall Meeting, New Orleans, LA, Dec. 15-19.
- [46] **Tajik, N. ***, Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2025). “Integrating heat transfer analysis and spalling in post-fire damage assessment of concrete structures.” 14th International Conference on Structural Safety and Reliability - ICOSSAR25, Los Angeles, CA, June 1-6.
- [45] **Coutsoucos, M.**, **Sahib, D. ^U**, **Alexander, B.**, Okumus, P., Ranade, R., Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2025). “Corrosion effects on reinforced concrete structures exposed to coastal flooding”, ACI Spring Convention, Toronto, Canada, March 30-April 2.
- [44] **Benson, E. ^o**, Okumus, P., Ranade, R., Elhami-Khorasani, N., Francis, O.P., Paci-Green, R. (2024). “Impact of coastal flooding induced corrosion on lateral strength of reinforced concrete structures”, AGU24, Washington, D.C., December 9-13.
- [43] **Shamsaei, K.**, Bavandpour, M., Or, D., Ebrahimian, H., Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2024). “Modelling ignition of natural fuel beds by firebrands”, AGU24, Washington, D.C., December 9-13.
- [42] **Shamsaei, K.**, **Szasdi Bardales, F.J. ***, Bavandpour, M., Uddien Shaik, R., Ebrahimian, H., Or, D., Elhami-Khorasani, N., Taciroglu, E. (2024). “Development of a firebrand generation model for wildland fire simulations”, AGU24, Washington, D.C., December 9-13.
- [41] **Bavandpour, M.**, Shamsaei, K., Ebrahimian, H., Parhizkar, T., Or, D., Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2024). “A probabilistic framework for uncertainty propagation in wildfire risk assessment”, AGU24, Washington, D.C., December 9-13.
- [40] **Bavandpour, M.**, Shamsaei, K., Ebrahimian, H., Parhizkar, T., Or, D., Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2024). “A probabilistic framework for uncertainty propagation in wildfire risk assessment”, AGU24, Washington, D.C., December 9-13.
- [39] **Malama, S.**, Jana, D., **Szasdi-Bardales, F. ***, Shaik, R., Narasimhan, S., Elhami-Khorasani, N., Taciroglu, E., (2024). “Probabilistic wildfire risk assessment and retrofitting optimization for Hillside transportation network in California”, Engineering Mechanics Institute Conference and Probabilistic Mechanics & Reliability Conference (EMI/PMC), Chicago, IL, May 28-31.
- [38] **Szasdi-Bardales, F. ***, Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2024). “Accounting for hardened structures in WUI fire modeling”, 7th Fire Behavior and Fuels Conference, Boise, ID, April 15-19.
- [37] **Tajik, N. ***, Elhami-Khorasani, N., Ranade, R., Tessari, A. (2024). “Evaluating post-fire rebar-concrete bond degradation for damage assessment of reinforced concrete structures”, SEICon24 at NASCC, San Antonio, TX, March 20-22.
- [36] **Elhami-Khorasani, N.** (2024). “Hazard Track: Urban Conflagration”, Cat Risk Management Conference, Orlando, FL, Feb. 26-29.
- [35] **Elhami-Khorasani, N.** (2024). “Towards addressing the wildfire problem: Large-scale simulation of fire spread in communities”, NHERI Computational Symposium, LA, CA, Feb. 1-2.

- [34] **Elhami-Khorasani, N.** (2024). “Integration of data and models for large-scale simulation of fire spread across wildland and communities”, Panel Discussion at the NHERI Computational Symposium, LA, CA, Feb. 1-2.
- [33] **Elhami-Khorasani, N.** (2023). “Advancing structural fire engineering with professional committees”, Panel Session at Structures Congress, New Orleans, LA, May 3-6.
- [32] **Castillo, R.**^{*}, Okumus, P., Elhami-Khorasani, N., Chandola, V. (2023), “Predicting the shear condition of reinforced concrete beams with shear cracks using machine learning”, ACI Concrete Convention, San Francisco, CA, April 2-6.
- [31] **Szasdi-Bardales**^{*}, F. Elhami-Khorasani, N., Shamsaei, K., Juliano, T.W., Ebrahimian, H., Kosovic, B. Lareau, N.P. (2022). “Synergistic Integration of Wildfire Models to Simulate Fire Spread in the Wildland Urban Interface”, AGU Fall Meeting, Chicago, IL, Dec. 12-16.
- [30] **Szasdi-Bardales**^{*}, F. Elhami-Khorasani, N., Shamsaei, K., Juliano, T.W., Ebrahimian, H., Kosovic, B. Lareau, N.P. (2022). “Synergistic Integration of Wildfire Models to Simulate Fire Spread in the Wildland Urban Interface”, SimCenter Symposium, Austin, TX, Nov. 3-4.
- [29] **Hua, N.**^{*}, Tessari, A., **Elhami Khorasani, N.** (2022). “Damage assessment of reinforced concrete tunnel linings”, Engineering Mechanics Institute Conference, Baltimore, MD, May 31-June 3.
- [28] **Bender, K.E.**, Crocker, G.F., Ross, B.E., Barrios Kleiss, M.C., Okumus, P., Elhami-Khorasani, N. (2022). “Tested shear capacity of a tessellated precast concrete specimen”, PCI Convention, Kansas City, MO, March 2-5.
- [27] **Blasiak, R.B.**^U, **Lang, J.R.**^U, Crocker, G.F. **Syed, M.**^{*}, Elhami-Khorasani, N., Okumus, P., Ross, B.E., Barrios Kleiss, M.C. (2022). “Studying the behavior of tessellated structural architectural shear walls using small-scale shake table tests”, ACI Spring Convention, ACI123 Poster Competition, Orlando, FL, March 27-31 (received first place).
- [26] **Elhami Khorasani, N.**, **Masoudvaziri, N.**^o, **Szasdi Bardales, F.J.**^{*}, Sun, K. (2022). “SWUIFT: Streamlined wildland urban interface fire tracing”, ASCE Lifelines Conference, University of California, Los Angeles, CA, Virtual event, Jan 31-Feb 11.
- [25] **Ebrahimian, H.**, Elhami Khorasani, N., Kosovic, B., Lareau, N., Taciroglu, E., Talaei-Khoei, A., Watts, A. (2022). “A data-informed physics-based computational framework for probabilistic risk assessment and emergency response management of wildfires”, ASCE Lifelines Conference, University of California, Los Angeles, CA, Virtual event, Jan 31-Feb 11.
- [24] **Syed, M.**^{*}, Okumus, P., Elhami Khorasani, N., Ross, B., Kleiss, M.C. (2021). “Sensitivity of tessellated structural-architectural (TeSA) shear wall systems to design parameters”, Engineering Mechanics Institute Conference and Probabilistic Mechanics and Reliability Conference, Virtual event, May 25-28.
- [23] **Masoudvaziri, N.**^o, **Szasdi Bardales, F.J.**^x, **Sarreshtehdari, A.**^{*}, **Keskin, O.K.**^o, Sun, K, Elhami Khorasani, N. (2021). “SWUIFT: Streamlined WUI fire tracing, modeling wildfire spread in communities”, Engineering Mechanics Institute Conference and Probabilistic Mechanics and Reliability Conference, Virtual event, May 25-28.
- [22] **Qureshi, R.**^{*}, Ni, S., Elhami Khorasani, N., Van Coile, R., Hopkin, D., Gernay, T. (2021). “Probabilistic strength retention factors for steel and concrete”, Engineering Mechanics Institute Conference and Probabilistic Mechanics and Reliability Conference, Virtual event, May 25-28.
- [21] **Sarreshtehdari, A.**^{*}, **Keskin, O.K.**^o, Elhami Khorasani, N. (2021). “An integrated fire spread and suppression model to predict fire following earthquake response in a community”, Engineering Mechanics Institute Conference and Probabilistic Mechanics and Reliability Conference, Virtual event, May 25-28.

- [20] **Castillo, R.**^{*}, Okumus, P., Elhami Khorasani, N., Chandola, V. (2021). “Machine learning for shear strength of reinforced-concrete beams”, ACI Concrete Convention, Virtual event, March 28-April 1.
- [19] **Masoudvaziri, N.**^o, Elhami Khorasani, N., Sun, K. (2021). “Simulating wildland and WUI fires: benefits and limitations of different methodologies”, 101st American Meteorological Society (AMS) Annual Meeting, Virtual format, January 10-15.
- [18] **Sarreshtehdari, A.**^{*}, Elhami Khorasani, N. (2019). “Emergency response time during post-earthquake fires”, Engineering Mechanics Institute Conference, Pasadena, CA, June 2019.
- [17] **Coar, M.**, Garlock, M., **Sarreshtehdari, A.**^{*}, Elhami Khorasani, N. (2019). “Robustness analysis for fire following earthquake scenarios considering power-water dependencies”, Engineering Mechanics Institute Conference, Pasadena, CA, June 2019.
- [16] **Moharrami Gargari, N.**, **Sarreshtehdari, A.**^{*}, Elhami Khorasani, N. (2019). “A case study on generating building level fragility for functionality of a non-structural component”, Engineering Mechanics Institute Conference, Pasadena, CA, June 2019.
- [15] **Moeini, M.**^x, **Elhami Khorasani, N.**, Okumus, P., Ross, B. Barrios Kleiss, M.C. (2019). “Characterizing performance of tessellated structural architectural systems”, Engineering Mechanics Institute Conference, Pasadena, CA, June 2019.
- [14] **Gernay, T.**, Elhami Khorasani, N. (2019). “Numerical analysis of a steel-frame building with composite floors to enable performance-based fire design”, Engineering Mechanics Institute Conference, Pasadena, CA, June 2019.
- [13] **Elhami Khorasani, N.** (2019). “Fundamentals of steel design at elevated temperatures and the student’s perception on fire engineering”, Structures Congress, Orlando, FL, April 2019.
- [12] **Hua, N.**^{*}, Tessari, A., **Elhami Khorasani, N.** (2019). “Application of structural fire engineering for performance-based design of tunnels”, Structures Congress, Orlando, FL, April 2019.
- [11] Elhami Khorasani, N., **Gernay, T.**, **Stephani, A.**^x, Ni, S., Van Coile, R., Hopkin, D. (2018). “Probabilistic strength retention factors for steel and concrete, and effect on structural reliability of columns in fire”, ASTM E05 Workshop on Advancements in Evaluating the Fire Resistance of Structures, Washington, DC, Dec. 2018.
- [10] **Masoudvaziri, N.**^o, **Szasdi Bardales, F.J.**^x, Elhami Khorasani, N., Sun, K., (2018). “Observation-constrained modeling of wildfire spread in Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) communities in California”, AGU Fall Meeting, Washington D.C., December 2018.
- [9] **Sarreshtehdari, A.**^{*}, Elhami Khorasani, N. (2018). “Enhancing community resilience by planning for response time during post-earthquake fires”, International Symposium on Sustainable Systems & Technology (ISSST), Buffalo, NY, June 2018.
- [8] **Qureshi, R.**^{*}, Elhami Khorasani, N., Gernay, T. (2018). “Need of active boundary conditions for fire testing”, Engineering Mechanics Institute Conference, Boston, MA, June 2018.
- [7] **Gernay, T.**, Gamba, A., Elhami-Khorasani, N., (2018). “Behavior of steel frame structures under natural fire and collapse mechanisms during cooling”, Structures Congress, San Antonio, TX, April 2018.
- [6] **Elhami Khorasani, N.**, **Billittier, J.**^x, Stavridis, A. (2017). “Assessment of structural damage in railway tunnels under fire”, International Forum on High-Speed Railway, Changsha, China, Dec. 2017.
- [5] **Elhami Khorasani, N.**, **Haase, B.**^x, Gernay, T. (2017). “A comparison of prescriptive and performance-based designs for fire as a primary or secondary event”, Engineering Mechanics Institute Conference, San Diego, CA, June 2017.

- [4] Coar, M., Elhami Khorasani, N., **Sarreshtehdari, A.**^{*}, Garlock, M.E.M. (2017). “Community resilience assessment for fire following earthquake using a probabilistic framework”, Engineering Mechanics Institute Conference, San Diego, CA, June 2017.
- [3] Elhami Khorasani, N., **Haase, B.**^{*} (2017). “Post-blast fire resistance of low-rise buildings through membrane action of composite floor slabs”, Structures Congress, Denver, CO, April 2017.
- [2] **Elhami Khorasani, N.**, Gernay T., Garlock, M.E.M. (2017). “Effects of various design parameters on system-level fire fragility functions for steel buildings”, Structures Congress, Denver, CO, April 2017.
- [1] Coar, M., **Elhami Khorasani, N.**, and Garlock, M.E.M. (2016). “Integrating water and electric systems in a post-earthquake fire analysis”, Engineering Mechanics Institute Conference and the Probabilistic Mechanics & Reliability Conference, Vanderbilt University, TN, May 2016.

STUDENT ADVISING

Ph.D. degree

- [1] Ramla Karim Qureshi, Ph.D., August 2016-February 2021, *Evaluation of steel columns under fire: Real-time hybrid fire testing and reliability assessment*.
Position: Assistant Professor, McMaster University, Canada.
- [2] Amir Sarreshtehdari, Ph.D., August 2017-August 2021, *Impact of fire following earthquake on urban environment considering the seismic performance of infrastructure networks*.
Position: Natural Catastrophe Specialist, Swiss Re, US.
- [3] Nan Hua, Ph.D., August 2017-August 2021, co-advised by Dr. Anthony Tessari. *Experimental and numerical assessment of fire damage to reinforced concrete tunnel liners*.
Position: Tunnel Engineer, Mott MacDonald, US.
- [4] Mohammad Syed, Ph.D., August 2019-August 2022, co-advised by Dr. Pinar Okumus, *Tessellated structural-architectural systems for rapid construction, repair, and disassembly*.
Position: Postdoctoral Researcher Fellow, Texas A&M University, US.
- [5] Rodrigo Napoleon Castillo Perez, Ph.D., August 2019-August 2023, co-advised by Dr. Pinar Okumus, *Assessment of the shear capacity and condition of cracked reinforced concrete beams using machine learning*.
Position: Structural Engineer, Thornton Tomasetti, US.
- [6] Fernando Jose Szasdi Bardales, Ph.D., August 2021-May 2025, *Wildfire damage assessment in wildland-urban interface communities*.
Position: Instructor, Rafael Landívar University, Guatemala.

M.S. degree

- [1] Chenyang Fang, M.S., June 2017, *Performance-based fire design and the US prescriptive guidelines: A comparative study*.
- [2] Fernando Jose Szasdi Bardales, M.S., June 2019, *Understanding wildfire spread in wildland-urban interface communities*.
- [3] Mohammad Moeini, M.S., February 2020, co-advised by Dr. Pinar Okumus, *Finite element study on the lateral behavior of tessellated structural-architectural reinforced concrete shear walls*.
- [4] Mohamed Ezz Abdelmoneim Elsayed, M.S., August 2020, co-advised by Dr. Pinar Okumus, *Structural modeling of a medium density fiberboard tessellated beam*.
- [5] Juan Gustavo Salado Castillo, M.S., August 2020, co-advised by Dr. Michel Bruneau, *Seismic resilience quantification for a set of buildings*.

In progress

- [1] Nima Tajik Hesaramir, Ph.D., January 2023-present, degree expected January 2027, *Post-fire damage assessment of reinforced concrete structures*.
- [2] Mohamed Ehab Salah Eldin Hassan Lasheen, Ph.D., September 2023-present, degree expected May 2027, co-advised by Dr. Pinar Okumus, *Evaluating prestressed concrete beams with cracks using machine learning*.
- [3] Nisha Saharan, Ph.D., January 2025-present, degree expected May 2029, co-advised by Dr. Andrew Whittaker, *Models for wildfire arrival forecasting and infrastructure resilience*.
- [4] Willa Egan, Ph.D., January 2026-present, degree expected May 2030, co-advised by Dr. Andrew Whittaker, *Models for wildfire arrival forecasting and infrastructure resilience*.
- [5] Mahin Sultana, Ph.D. August 2026-present, degree expected May 2031, *Community resilience assessment framework against WUI fires using multi-resolution digital twins*.
- [6] Kolos Retfalvi, Postdoctoral Associate, January 2026-present, co-advised by Dr. Andrew Whittaker, *Models for wildfire arrival forecasting and infrastructure resilience*.

Special achievements of graduate students

- Fernando Jose Szasdi Bardales: CSEE Graduate Research Award, 2025
- Rodrigo Castillo: UB Excellence in Research, Scholarship and Creativity Award, 2023
- Rodrigo Castillo: 1st place SEAS poster competition, 2023
- Rodrigo Castillo: 2nd place CSEE poster competition, 2023
- Mohammad Syed: SEI Futures Fund Scholarship, 2022
- Mohammad Syed: Best poster award, CSEE, UB, 2022
- Mohammad Syed: Structural Engineers Foundation Graduate Scholarship, 2021
- Nan Hua: SEAS Dean's Graduate Achievement Award, UB, 2021
- Ramla Qureshi: Best paper award and best presentation award at the 11th International Structures in Fire Conference, 2020
- Amir Sarreshtehdari: Graduate leadership award, CSEE, UB, 2020
- Nan Hua: Finalist for ACI Foundation fellowship, 2020
- Amir Sarreshtehdari: Third place presentation award, EERI competition, CSEE, UB, 2019
- Ramla Qureshi: American Association of University Women (AAUW) Fellowship, 2019-2020
- Fernando Jose Szasdi Bardales: Travel, research, and educational experience (TREE) grant, Association for Fire Ecology (AFE), April 2019
- Ramla Qureshi: SEAS representative at the 6th annual catalyzing advocacy for science and engineering (CASE) workshop in D.C., March 2019
- Ramla Qureshi: Chair's recognition award, CSEE, UB, 2019
- Ramla Qureshi: Best poster award, CSEE, UB, 2018
- Ramla Qureshi: UBEEA leaders in excellence award, UB Alumni Association, UB, 2018
- Ramla Qureshi: Recipient of the Mark Diamond Research Fund, UB, 2017

Visitors

- [1] Zheng He, Ph.D. Candidate, Department of Civil Engineering, Central South University, China, Sept 2018-Oct 2020.
- [2] Patrick Covi, Ph.D. Candidate, Department of Civil, Environmental and Mechanical Engineering, University of Trento, Italy, July-August 2022.

Dissertation/thesis committee member at the University at Buffalo

- [1] Xianoe Wei, Ph.D., Department of Civil, Structural and Environmental Engineering, July 2016.

- [2] Ramla Qureshi, M.S., Department of Civil, Structural and Environmental Engineering, August 2016.
- [3] Alok A. Deshpande, Ph.D., Department of Civil, Structural and Environmental Engineering, May 2019.
- [4] Mohammad Syed, M.S., Department of Civil, Structural and Environmental Engineering, May 2019.
- [5] Dhanendra Kumar, Ph.D., Department of Civil, Structural and Environmental Engineering, February 2021.
- [6] Hanmin Wang, Ph.D., Department of Civil, Structural and Environmental Engineering, January 2022.
- [7] Homero F. Carrión, Ph.D., Department of Civil, Structural and Environmental Engineering, January 2023.
- [8] Jia-Hau Liu, Ph.D., Department of Civil, Structural and Environmental Engineering, June 2024.
- [9] Kaivalya Lal, Ph.D., Department of Civil, Structural and Environmental Engineering, July 2024.
- [10] Jiyeon Kim, Ph.D., Department of Geography, June 2025-present.

External dissertation/thesis examiner at national and international universities

- [1] Zheda Zhu, Ph.D. defense external referee, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, Lehigh University, United States, December 2019.
- [2] Patrick Covi, Ph.D. defense external referee, Department of Civil, Environmental and Mechanical Engineering, University of Trento, Italy, May 2021.
- [3] Max Coar, Ph.D. committee, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, Princeton University, United States, Fall 2017-Spring 2022.
- [4] Faranak Fighihi, Ph.D. defense external referee, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, Ruhr University Bochum, Germany, December 2022.
- [5] Yanfu Zeng, Ph.D. defense external referee, Department of Building Environment and Energy Engineering, Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Hong Kong, August 2024.
- [6] Darren Anthony Sulong, Ph.D. defense external referee, Department of Civil Engineering, Stellenbosch University, South Africa, January 2025.
- [7] Shivalinga Baddipalli, Ph.D. committee, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, Utah State University, Fall 2025-present.
- [8] Noah Gershon, Ph.D. committee, Department of Civil, Environmental, and Architectural Engineering, University of Colorado Boulder, Fall 2025-present.
- [9] Saidong Ma, Ph.D. committee, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, Lehigh University, United States, Spring 2026-present.

Undergraduate research students

- [1] Jarlene Rojas, *Quantifying lifeline dependencies under extreme hazards*, LSAMP Summer Research Internship Program, Summer 2016.
- [2] Aysegul Sagmal, *Collecting an inventory and harmonizing bridge fragility curves for post-earthquake community assessment*, Spring 2017.
- [3] Derek Johnson, *Post-blast fire resistance of low-rise buildings through membrane action of a composite floor*, Spring 2017.
- [4] Akirah Matthews, *Compiling bridge fragility curves to assess seismic vulnerability*, LSAMP Summer Research Internship Program, Summer 2017.
 - Selected to attend the 2017 LSMCE conference based on the research poster presentation.

- [5] Nayana Sreekumar, *Fundamentals of hybrid fire testing*, Summer Research Assistantship Program, Summer 2017.
- [6] Anshul Yadav, *Fundamentals of fire engineering*, Summer Research Assistantship Program, Summer 2018.
- [7] Jonathan Mann (co-advised by Dr. Pinar Okumus), *Fragility functions for tessellated structural-architectural systems*, NSF Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) program, Summer 2019.
- [8] Esther Saula, *Digitized fuel load survey methodology*, LSAMP Summer Research Internship Program, Summer and Fall 2019.
- [9] Gauhar Nurlybekova, *Digitized fuel load survey methodology*, Kazakhstan exchange student, Summer Research Assistantship Program, Summer 2019.
- [10] Riley Blasiak (co-advised by Dr. Pinar Okumus), *Small-scale testing of 3D printed TeSA shear walls*, NSF Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) program, January 2021 and Summer 2021.
- [11] James Lang (co-advised by Dr. Pinar Okumus), *Small-scale testing of 3D printed TeSA shear walls*, NSF Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) program, January 2021 and Summer 2021.
- [12] Victoria Ip, *Studying the correlation between community features and fire spread rate*, NSF Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) program, Summer 2022.
- [13] Makayla Pugliese, *Digital mapping of fuel in wildland-urban interface communities*, Spring 2023.
- [14] Victoria Pimenta Reyes, *Digital mapping of fuel in wildland-urban interface communities*, LSAMP participant, Spring 2023 and Fall 2023.
- [15] Abhi Ramtel, *Studying the correlation between structure features and wildfire damage*, Student of the Department of Computer Science and Engineering, Summer 2023.
- [16] Phuong Nguyen, *Creating illustrations to communicate structure hardening for wildfires*. Student of Environmental Design, Fall 2023.
- [17] Anjali Patel, *Fiber-reinforced concrete for precast tunnel liners*, UB EDI scholarship, Summer 2024.
- [18] Ishika Raj (co-advised by Dr. Pinar Okumus), *Interface design and algorithm training for shear strength predictions of concrete beams*, Intern from IIT Gandhinagar, Summer 2024.
- [19] Dana Sahib, *Collecting and analyzing building inventory data for testbed application*, NSF Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) program, Summer 2024.
- [20] Dana Sahib, *Mapping and analyzing the Lahaina Fire timeline*, Work study program, Winter 2025.
- [21] Mya Zubek, *Collection and analysis of concrete spalling data at elevated temperatures*, Summer 2025.
- [22] Matthew Gorlin, *Modeling fire-induced spalling in reinforced concrete slabs*, Spring 2026.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor – University at Buffalo

CIE324 Structural Engineering II
Spring 2016 (#students: 48)

CIE416 Civil Capstone

Spring 2023 (#students: 62), Spring 2024 (#students: 43), Spring 2026 (#students: 43)

CIE428 Steel Design

Fall 2016 (#students: 93), Fall 2017 (#students: 51), Fall 2018 (#students: 63),
Fall 2019 (#students: 42), Fall 2020 (#students: 48), Fall 2021 (#students: 51),

Fall 2022 (#students: 44), Fall 2023 (#students: 61)

CIE500/CIE522 Design of Structures for Fire

Spring 2017 (#students: 32), Spring 2018 (#students: 17), Spring 2019 (#students: 22),
Spring 2020 (#students: 14), Spring 2021 (#students: 21), Spring 2022 (#students: 25),
Spring 2023 (#students: 7), Spring 2025 (#students: 11), Spring 2026 (#students: 3)

CIE500 Resilience of Civil Infrastructure Systems

Fall 2025 (#students: 5)

Instructor - Princeton University

MATLAB Workshop, Fall 2014

Assistant Instructor - Princeton University

CEE262 Structures and the Urban Environment – Course administrator, Spring 2015

CEE366 Reinforced Concrete Design, Fall 2011, 2012, 2014

CEE 461 Design of Large Scale Structures - Buildings, Spring 2013, 2014, 2015

CEE 361/MAE 325 Matrix Structural Analysis and Introduction to Finite-Element Methods, Fall 2012

Teaching Assistant – University of Toronto

CIV357 Building Design, 2010

CIV100 Mechanics, Fall 2009

CIV313 Design of Reinforced Concrete Structures, Spring 2009

CIV102 Structures and Materials, an introduction to design, Fall 2008

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Leadership

Organizing committee, NHERI Computational Symposium, UC Berkeley, May 28-29, 2026

Organizing and Scientific Committee, 14th International Conference on Structures in Fire (SiF), 2025-2026

Board of Directors, Applied Technology Council, 2023-present (Vice President, 2026-present)

Co-Chair, SEaONY Resilience Committee, 2023-present

Co-Chair, ASCE/SEI Fire Protection Committee, Oct. 2021-Sept. 2024

Organizing Committee, Climate Adaptation Workshop: Structural Design for Coastal Resilience, Princeton University, May 16-17, 2024

Scientific Committee, 5th International Fire Safety Symposium (IFireSS), 2024-2025

Scientific Committee, 13th International Conference on Structures in Fire (SiF), 2023-2024

Member of a technical advisory panel for a project supported by the Fire Protection Research Foundation of the National Fire Protection Association, 2023-2024

Organizing committee, 9th International Conference on Structures in Fire (SiF), 2015-2016

Organizing committee, Princeton Research Symposium, Princeton, NJ, 2013

Membership in professional societies

National Council of Structural Engineers Associations (NCSEA) Resilience Committee, 2024-present

ASCE Life-Cycle Performance, Safety, Reliability and Risk of Structural Systems, Task Group 2 on Reliability-based Structural System Performance Indicators, 2020-present

Joint Committee on Structural Safety (JCSS), providing input for updating the background document on fire for Working Group 1: The Probabilistic Model Code, 2020-present

International Federation for Structural Concrete (fib) Task Group 2.3 on Fire Design of Concrete Structures, 2019-present

International Association for Fire Safety Science (IAFSS) Large Outdoor Fires and the Built Environment working groups, 2018-present

ASCE Fire Protection Committee, 2017-present

Professional services

Editor

Editorial Board, Resilient Cities and Structures, 2025-present

Associate Editor, ASCE OPEN: Multidisciplinary Journal of Civil Engineering, 2023-present

Editorial Board, Reliability Engineering and System Safety, 2023-present

Associate Editor, Fire Technology, 2022-present (2026 Springer Nature Editor of Distinction Award)

Reviewer

SOM Foundation, Jury member, Structural Engineering Fellowship, 2025

Simpson Gumpertz & Heger Inc. (SGH), Peer reviewer for a research project, 2025.

Proposal reviewer for the International Joint Initiative for Research in Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation - New Frontiers in Research Fund, Government of Canada, 2023-2024

AISC IDEAS² award, judge for the \$75 Million to \$200 Million project category, 2022

Proposal reviewer for the German Research Foundation (Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft), 2022

Proposal reviewer for the National Science Foundation, 2020, 2022-2024

Proposal reviewer for the Research Grants Council (RGC) of Hong Kong, 2019, 2020

Proposal reviewer for the Icelandic Research Fund, 2019

Journal Reviewer (a total of 150 reviews): Fire Technology; Fire Safety Journal; Engineering Structures; Journal of Constructional Steel Research; Journal of Structural Engineering; Reliability Engineering and System Safety; Journal of Structural Fire Engineering; Fire and Materials; Sustainable and Resilient Infrastructure; Advances in Structural Engineering; Automation in Construction; Journal of Building Engineering; Structural Engineering International; Soil Dynamics and Earthquake Engineering; Structure and Infrastructure Engineering; Structure and Infrastructure Engineering; Bulletin of Earthquake Engineering; Canadian Journal of Civil Engineering; Structural Safety; Journal of Earthquake Engineering; Environmental Management; Journal of Engineering Mechanics; Thin-Walled Structures; Data in Brief.

Session organizer

NCSEA Connect Webinar, “Engineering for Wildfire Resilience: From Hazard Understanding to Community Risk Reduction”, National Council of Structural Engineers Associations, January 7, 2026.

Conference session organizer for two sessions (a total of 8 abstracts) on “Understanding and Managing the Wildfire Problem”, the Engineering Mechanics Institute (EMI) Conference, Chicago, IL, May 2024.

Conference session organizer for two sessions (a total of 10 abstracts) on “Wildfire Engineering: Research and Practice in Wildland and Wildland-Urban Interface”, the Engineering Mechanics Institute (EMI) Conference, Atlanta, GA, June 2023.

Organizer of a panel on “Resilience through Fire Engineering”, SEAoNY Resilience Committee, virtual, June 2023.

Conference session organizer for three sessions (a total of 14 abstracts) on “Developments in Performance-Based Structural Fire Engineering”, the Engineering Mechanics Institute (EMI) Conference, Baltimore, MD, June 2022.

Conference session organizer for two sessions (a total of 10 abstracts) on “Characterizing Uncertainties in Response of Structures and Communities to Fire Hazard”, the Engineering Mechanics Institute (EMI) Conference and Probabilistic Mechanics and Reliability Conference, New York, NY, May 2021 (held online due to COVID-19).

Conference session organizer for two sessions (a total of 24 abstracts) on “Earthquake Resilience and Cascading Effects and Emerging Topics” and “New Developments in Structural Fire Engineering”, the Engineering Mechanics Institute (EMI) Conference, Pasadena, CA, June 2019.

Conference session organizer for a session on Structural-Fire Engineering: Past, Present, and Future, the Engineering Mechanics Institute (EMI) Conference, Boston, MA, June 2018.

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Department level

Chair, CSEE Capstone Review Committee, Fall 2025

Chair, Search Committee for CSEE, 2022-2023

Member, Two Search Committees for CSEE, Fall 2021

Member, CSEE Structures Curriculum Committee, 2021-2022

Member, Undergraduate Studies Committee, 2016-present

Organizer, CSEE Seminars, Fall 2021 and Spring 2022

Faculty Judge, Annual CSEE Poster Competition, Spring 2016, 2018-2020

School level

Co-Chair, SEAS Justice, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (JEDI) Mentoring Subcommittee, 2023-2025

Reviewer, SEAS Justice, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (JEDI) Research Micro-Grants, 2023

Guest Lecturer, EAS202 Engineering Impact on Society, 2024-2026

Mentor, EAS202 Freshman Mentor Program, Spring 2016-2023