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RESEARCH:

Earthquake Engineering of Bridges and Buildings, Experimental and Analytical Studies of Bridges and Components, Advanced Materials in Bridges, Accelerated Bridge Construction

EDUCATION:

Ph.D. in Civil Engineering (Structures), University of Illinois, Urbana, 1979 (Advisor: Prof. M. Sozen)
M.S. in Civil Engineering (Structures), University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois, 1977
M.S. in Civil Engineering (Five-year program), Tehran University, Tehran, Iran, 1973

EXPERIENCE:

Professor, Civil and Environmental Engineering Department, University of Nevada Reno, 7/88 –Present
Director, Office of Undergraduate Research, Vice President for Research, University of Nevada, Reno, 8/03-6/09
Awarded UNR-Foundation Professorship in 1997
Chairman, Civil Engineering Department, University of Nevada, Reno, Nevada, 7/86 - 6/94
Associate Professor, Civil Engineering Department, University of Nevada, Reno, 7/83 - 6/88
Assistant Professor, Civil Engineering Department, University of Nevada, Reno, 8/79 - 6/83

SYNERGISTIC ACTIVITIES:

Director, Center for Advanced Technology in Bridges and Infrastructure, 6/10- present
Founding Chair of ACI Committee 341 - Earthquake-Resistant Concrete Bridges, 1991-1997.
Co-Director, Second NSF Workshop on Bridge Engineering Research in Progress, Reno, Nevada, 1990.
Director, NSF Grantees Workshop, Natural Hazard Mitigation Programs, Lake Tahoe, Nevada, 1995.
Director, NSF US/Central Europe Workshop on Civil Infrastructure Systems for the next Century: a Global Partnership in Research, Cracow, Poland, October 1996.
Director, US-Turkey Workshop on Seismic Design, Retrofit, and Evaluation of Bridges, 2004
Director, FHWA/NSF Workshop on Long-Term Bridge Performance Monitoring Program, 2007
Principal Investigator of two NSF EPSCoR grants to build the research infrastructure in bridge engineering
Has been interviewed by Wall Street Journal, USA Today, The Economist, Engineering News Record, National Public Radio, Popular Mechanics, Science Daily, the Discovery Channel, The Guardian, among others.

HONORS, AWARDS, AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

Fellow, ACI, ASCE
Registered Professional Engineer in the State of Nevada and California
Reviewer of the National Science Foundation Research Proposals
Reviewer of ASCE, ACI, EERI Spectra, PCI, Journal of Engineering Structures, Journal of Structural Engineering and Mechanics, Earthquake Engineering and Structural Dynamics, and TRB Manuscripts
Member of Review Panels and Site Visits for NCHRP and NSF Proposals and Centers
Who's Who in Frontiers of Science and Technology, 1985; Distinguished Leadership Award for Outstanding Contributions to Civil Engineering, 2nd Ed.; Who is Who in America, 2003
UNR-Foundation Professorship Award, 1997
UNR Outstanding Researcher of the Year, 2000
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Distinguished Alumnus Award, 2003
University of Nevada System Regents Researcher Award, 2003
Tehran University, College of Engineering Distinguished Alumnus Award, 2004
Lemelson Innovation Award, 2004
Fulbright Scholar, 2013
College of Engineering Excellence Award, 2014
UNR Established Innovator Award, 2016
Inducted Member, Academy of Engineering of Mexico, 2017

PUBLICATIONS

More than 500 publications as journal articles, conference papers, and technical reports on structural and earthquake engineering. Has presented keynote speeches, invited papers, and seminars in about 30 countries.