

# Dr. Ashraf SUYYAGH

## PERSONAL DATA

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## ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

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MAR 2019 - CURRENT | Assistant Professor at the University of Jordan, Amman  
*Department of Computer Engineering - Faculty of Engineering*

I have taught the following undergraduate courses:

- CPE533: Real-Time Computer Control Systems
- CPE432: Computer Architecture and Organisation II
- CPE333: Embedded Systems
- CPE334: Embedded Systems Lab
- CPE313: Practical Numerical Analysis
- CPE311: Computer Applications Lab (Python)
- CPE231: Digital Logic Design
- CPE101: Computer Skills for Engineers

Member of several department-level committees:

- Graduation projects Committee ((2019), Head since 2020)
- Tenders Committee (2019))
- Accreditation Committee (since 2019)
- DeCAIR Erasmus+ Project (since 2022)

MAR 2016 - JUN 2016 | Part-Time Instructor at Vanier College, Montreal  
*Programming II - VA-420*  
Course introduces principles of Object Oriented Programming using Java: Classes, Inheritance, Interfaces, and Polymorphism. The course also covers an introduction to recursion and GUI components

JAN 2012 - MAY 2016 | Head Teaching Assistant at McGill University, Montreal  
*Microprocessor Systems - ECE426*  
Course introduces advanced principles of embedded and microprocessors systems design based on ARM Cortex-M4f processor. The course involves advanced topics on assembly/C programming, sensor fusion and integration, DSP and Real-Time Operating Systems (RTOS).

MAY 2012 - DEC 2015	<p>Co-Instructor, MCGILL, Montreal</p> <p><i>Academic and Industrial technical workshops</i></p> <p>Developed training material and co-instructed workshops (lab part) for academia and industry on the principles of microprocessors and embedded system design. The workshops are based on Cortex-M processors family, inertial MEMS sensors, and Real-Time Operating Systems (RTOS)</p>
DEC 2007 - DEC 2011	<p>Full-time Teaching Assistant at UNIVERSITY OF JORDAN, Amman</p> <p>My responsibilities included tutoring, demoing, writing experiments, examining and grading students.</p> <p><i>Embedded Systems</i></p> <p>Advanced principles of embedded systems design and interfacing based on PIC microcontrollers. The course involved advanced assembly and C programming, human machine interfacing, principles of industrial and mechatronics design.</p> <p><i>Computer Architecture and Design</i></p> <p>The course introduces advanced principles of digital systems design using hardware descriptive languages (HDL). The course focused on implementing a MIPS pipelined processor, associated cache subsystem and memory interfacing or an embedded microcontroller based on the PIC16 series family.</p> <p><i>Computer Networks</i></p> <p>Advanced networking, switching, routing, LAN, WAN, NAT, VPN and network security based on Cisco products.</p>
JUN - AUG 2007	<p>Summer Intern at FASTLINK (NOW ZAIN COMMUNICATIONS), Jordan</p> <p><i>IT Department - Network Division and End User Support (EUS)</i></p> <p>Configuring and troubleshooting of Cisco routers and switches, medium scale software deployment and troubleshooting</p>

## EDUCATION

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JAN 2019	<p>PhD degree in ELECTRICAL AND COMPUTER ENGINEERING, <b>McGill University</b>, Montreal, QC, Canada</p> <p>Thesis: <i>Towards Energy-Efficient Real-Time Computing in Embedded Systems</i></p> <p>Advisor: Prof. Zeljko ZILIC, GPA: 4.0/4.0</p>
AUG 2011	<p>MSc degree in COMPUTER ENGINEERING, <b>University of Jordan</b>, Amman</p> <p>Thesis: <i>“Investigating Synthesis of Efficient Handwritten Arabic Word Recognition Engines on FPGAs”</i></p> <p>Advisor: Prof. Gheith ABANDAH</p> <p>GPA: 3.69/4.0, Top Graduate</p>
AUG 2007	<p>Undergraduate Degree in Computer Engineering, <b>University of Jordan</b>, Amman</p> <p>GPA: 3.83/4.0, 3rd Top graduate of a class of 83</p>
AUG 2003	<p><b>Franciscan Sisters School</b>, Amman, Jordan</p> <p>National General Secondary Examination Certificate (Scientific Stream)</p> <p>GPA: 95.7%, 98.81% percentile (<math>\approx</math>30,000 nation-wide students)</p>

## AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND RECOGNITION

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APR 2015	Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) of Canada Merit-Based Funding
JAN 2014	McGill's Graduate Excellence Fellowship Award (GEF)
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JAN 2012	McGill's MEDA Award
DEC 2011	University of Jordan Scholarship to pursue PhD studies
SEP 2009	University of Jordan Scholarship to pursue MSc studies
OCT 2008	Middle East Technology Show (METS) 2008 Graduation Projects Contest, First Rank
SEP 2003	Jordanian Ministry of Higher Education Scholarship to pursue my BSc studies

## CERTIFICATES

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JUN 2013	IELTS (8.5/9)
MAY 2013	DSP Design Using System Generator, Xilinx Customer Education Certificate
JAN 2013	Test de Connaissance du Français pour le Quebec (TCFQ), Level B1
OCT 2010	Graduate Record Examination (GRE) QUANTITATIVE: (760/800) VERBAL: (500/800)
OCT 2010	Test of English as a Foreign Language (ToEFL) 107/120
AUG 2009	Cisco Certified Network Associate (CCNA) Instructor Certificate
AUG 2001	DELF (Diplôme d'Études en Langue Française) A1 and A2.

## LANGUAGES

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ENGLISH:	Fluent
FRENCH:	Intermediate Knowledge
ARABIC:	Mother tongue

## ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

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Primary Reviewer for the following Journals:

IEEE ACCESS	since May 2020
CIT-JCIT	CIT. Journal of Computing and Information Technology (since October 2018)

Primary Reviewer for the following Conferences:

JEEIT 2019:	Jordan International Joint Conference on Electrical Engineering and Information Technology
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## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

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IEEE:	Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers
JEA:	Jordan Engineers Association

## COMPUTER AND ENGINEERING SKILLS

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Very Good Knowledge:	C/C++, JAVA, MATLAB
Good Knowledge:	VERILOG, FPGAs, PYTHON LINUX, BASH SCRIPTING, ASSEMBLY: ARM, PIC, x86, GIT, DOXYGEN, SYSTEMC, L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X
Basic Knowledge:	VBA, OPENMP, CUDA, MAKEFILES, ROS
Specialised Software:	ECLIPSE, KEIL UVISION, MPLAB, ALTERA QUARTUS, XILINX ISE, MATLAB, VMWARE, MS OFFICE

## LIST OF WORKSHOPS THAT I INSTRUCTED

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MAY, DEC 2015	<i>ISS Sensor System Integration, McGill University</i>
JUN 2015	<i>Modern Embedded Systems with ARM Cores, customised for the Department of Mechanical Engineering, McGill University</i>
MAY 2014	<i>ISS Sensor System Integration, McGill University</i>
MAR, MAY, NOV 2013	<i>Modern Embedded Systems with ARM Cores</i>
NOV 2014	McGill's Office of Continuing Studies, Courses offered to satisfy OIQ (Ordre des Ingénieurs du Québec) requirements for professional engineers
SEP 2013	<i>Methodologies and Tools for Embedded Multisensory Systems Based on ARM Cortex-M Processors</i> Embedded Systems Week, Montreal, QC, Canada
MAY 2013	Integrated Sensor Systems Training program, McGill University
MAR 2013	<i>Methodologies and Tools for Productive Multi-sensory System Design</i> CMC Days, Montreal, QC, Canada
MAY 2012	<i>Sensor Integration Using ST Microelectronics' iNEMO and ARM</i> CMC Week, Montreal, QC, Canada

## LIST OF TECHNICAL WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS THAT I ATTENDED

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Mar 2022	Introduction To Data Science
Feb 2022	Introduction To Machine Learning
Dec 2021	Robotic Operating Systems (ROS)
Dec 2018	Enhancing the User Experience with TouchGFX Advanced Graphics on the STM32 Workshop
May 2018	Explore the New STM32 Motor Control SDK v5.0 Workshop
Jul 2017	STM32L4 Discovery kit IoT node Hands-On Seminar
Jun 2014	STM32 Cortex-M4 Low Power DSP Workshop
Jun 2014	Development with Altera Nios II Workshop
Jun 2013	STM32F429 Seminar: High-performance Cortex-M4 MCU
Jun 2013	Kick Start to the ARM Cortex Processor Family Workshop

## LIST OF ACADEMIC WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS THAT I ATTENDED

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Nov 2020	Using Moodle Platform (LMSystem/JUexams) for Online Exams
Apr 2020	Using MS Teams and MS Forms for Online Exams
Sep 2019	New Faculty Training and Development
Aug 2019	Supervision Of Postgraduate Students
Aug 2019	Project-Based Learning
Jul 2019	Using MCQs to Test Higher Order Thinking Skill

## PUBLICATIONS

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For a complete and a most recent listing of my publications, kindly visit [Ashraf Suyyagh's Google Scholar Profile](#)

## PERSONAL INTERESTS AND ACTIVITIES

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British and Russian Literature, European History (with a focus on British, "Byzantine", and Russian), Ancient History (Antiquity), Western Philosophy, Western Classical Music

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