

PAUL D. RONNEY

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Combustion, micro-scale power generation and propulsion, biophysics, turbulence, internal combustion engines and control systems, low-gravity phenomena, radiative transfer.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

6/00 - present: Professor, Department of Aerospace and Mechanical Engineering, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA. Associate Chair 8/2015 – 8/2017; Chair 7/2020 - present.

2/96 - 12/97: Payload Specialist Astronaut (Alternate) - trained for Spacelab mission MSL-1, (launched as STS-83 4/4/97 - 4/8/97, re-flew as STS-94 on 7/1/97 - 7/16/97) to conduct combustion, fluids, and materials science experiments. Served as crew communicator for experiment operations during both missions.

9/94 - 5/00: Associate Professor, Department of Aerospace and Mechanical Engineering, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA

9/93 - 8/94: Research Associate Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA

8/86 - 8/93: Assistant Professor, Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ.

11/85 - 4/86: Research Associate, Chemistry Division, U.S. Naval Research Laboratory, Washington, D.C.

9/83 - 10/85: National Research Council Resident Research Associate, NASA Lewis (Glenn) Research Center, Cleveland, OH.

8/78 - 9/79: Systems Integration Engineer, Ford Aerospace & Comm. Corp., Newport Beach, CA.

HONORS, AWARDS, PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Fellow, Combustion Institute (2018)

Fellow, American Society of Mechanical Engineers (2013)

Associate Fellow, American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (2013)

Distinguished Paper Award, Laminar Flames Colloquium, 37th International Symposium on Combustion, Dublin, Ireland, August 2018.

Associate Editor, *Combustion Theory and Modelling* (1997 – present)

Member of editorial boards: *Energies* (2014 – present); *Micromachines* (2009 – present); *Progress in Energy and Combustion Science* (2002 – 2015), *Microgravity Science and Technology* (2001 – 2009); *Combustion and Flame* (2001 – 2007)

Conference Co-Organizer, 11th U.S. National Combustion Meeting, Pasadena, CA, March 24 - 27, 2019.

Program Co-Chair, 33rd International Symposium on Combustion, Beijing, China, August 2010

First-ever recipient of the Bernard Lewis Lectureship of the Combustion Institute, 2005.

Principal Investigator for Structure Of Flame Balls At Low Lewis-number (SOFBALL) space flight experiment on STS-83 (April 4-8, 1997), STS-94 (July 1-16, 1997) and STS-107 (January 16 – February 1, 2003) Space Shuttle missions.

Co-chair, colloquium on “New Concepts in Combustion Technology,” 29th and 30th International Symposium on Combustion, 2002 and 2004.

Member of NASA Office of Biological and Physical Research Scientific Advisory Council; Chair, Physical Sciences Subcommittee

Best poster award (out of 90), *Dynamics Days Europe 2003*, Palma de Majorca, Spain, Sept. 24-27, 2003

Institution of Mechanical Engineers (U.K.) Starley Premium Award, 1994 (for the best paper published in the *Journal of Automobile Engineering*, 1994).

Princeton Engineer's Council Excellence in Teaching Award, 1990.

National Science Foundation Presidential Young Investigator, 1987 - 1992

EDUCATION

9/79 - 3/83 Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA

Sc.D. in Aeronautics and Astronautics, March 1983; DuPont Fellowship, Upham Fellowship

9/78 - 6/79 California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA

M.S. in Aeronautics, June 1979; Guggenheim Fellowship

9/77 - 6/78 University of California, Berkeley, CA

B.S. in Mechanical Engineering, June 1978; Tau Beta Pi, Pi Tau Sigma, Phi Beta Kappa, Dean's List

9/74 - 6/77 University of California, Irvine, CA, Mechanical Engineering major

PUBLICATIONS

Book Chapters (7)

Ronney, P. D., "Heat-Recirculating Combustors," Chapter 10 in *Microscale Combustion and Power Generation* (Y. Ju, C. Cadou and K. Maruta, Eds.), Momentum Press LLC, New York, 2015, pp. 287-320.

Ronney, P. D., "Combustion Phenomena at Microgravity," Chapter 12 in: *Physics of Fluids in Microgravity* (R. Monti, Ed.), Gordon and Breach, Reading, U.K., 2002, pp. 371-431.

Ronney, P. D., "Premixed-Gas Flames," in: *Microgravity Combustion: Fires in Free Fall* (H. Ross, Ed.), Academic Press, London, U.K., 2001, pp. 35-82.

Ronney, P. D., "Combustion Experiments on Spacelab Mission MSL-1," *Advances in the Astronautical Sciences*, Vol. 91, pp. 397-407, 1996.

Ronney, P. D., "Some Open Issues in Premixed Turbulent Combustion," in: Modeling in Combustion Science (J. D. Buckmaster and T. Takeno, Eds.), Lecture Notes In Physics, Vol. 449, Springer-Verlag, Berlin, 1995, pp. 3-22.

Ronney, P. D., Yakhot, V., "Flame Broadening Effects on Premixed Turbulent Flame Speed," in: *Turbulent Premixed Flames: A State of the Art* (I. Gokalp and M. Champion, eds.), Presses Du CNRS, Paris, France, 1992.

Buckmaster, J. D., Lee, C. J., Joulin, G., Ronney, P. D., "Modelling of Microgravity Ignition Experiments," in: *Recent Advances in Combustion Modelling* (B. Larrouturou, ed.), Series in Advances in Mathematics for Applied Sciences, Vol. 6, pp. 1-18, World Scientific Press, Teaneck, NJ, 1991. (DOI: 10.1142/9789814293778_0001)

Refereed Journal Publications (80) (undergraduate students underlined)

Rhodes, B. L., DeSain, J. D., Ronney, P. D., "Reaction of Hydrogen Peroxide Vapor on Platinum on Alumina Spheres," to appear in *Applied Catalysis A* (2020).

Rhodes, B. L., Ronney, P. D., "Dynamics of a Small-Scale Hydrogen Peroxide Vapor Propulsion System," *ALAA Journal of Propulsion and Power*, Vol. 35, pp. 595 - 600 (2019). (DOI: 10.2514/1.B37323)

Zhou, Z., Applebaum, S. S., Ronney, P. D., "Effect of Stoichiometric Mixture Fraction on Nonpremixed H₂-O₂-N₂ Edge-flames" *Proceedings of the Combustion Institute*, Vol. 37, pp. 1989 - 1996 (2019). (DOI: 10.1016/j.proci.2018.05.010). **(This publication received the Distinguished Paper Award for the best paper (out of >100 submissions) in the Laminar Flames Colloquium, 37th International Symposium on Combustion, Dublin, Ireland, August 2018.)**

Clayton, D. B., Cha, M. S., Ronney, P. D., "Propagation and Extinction of Premixed Edge-Flames" *Proceedings of the Combustion Institute*, Vol. 37, pp. 1823 - 1830 (2019). (DOI: 10.1016/j.proci.2018.06.075)

Fernández-Galisteo, D., Kurdyumov, V. N., Ronney, P. D., "Analysis of premixed flame propagation between

- two closely spaced parallel plates,” *Combustion and Flame* Vol. 190 pp. 133 - 145 (2018). (DOI: 10.1016/j.combustflame.2017.11.022).
- Rhodes, B. L., Ronney, P. D., DeSain, J. D., “Hydrogen Peroxide Vapor Absorption Cross Section: A Flow Cell Study Using Laser Absorption in the Near Infrared,” *Chemical Physics Letters*, Vol. 692, pp. 359-363 (2018) (DOI: 10.1016/j.cplett.2017.12.053).
- Davani, A. A., Ronney, P. D., “A jet-stirred apparatus for turbulent combustion experiments,” *Combustion and Flame*, Vol. 185, pp. 117 - 128 (2017). (DOI: 10.1016/j.combustflame.2017.07.009).
- Song, H., Wang, P., Boles, R. S., Matinyan, D., Prahanchap, H., Piotrowicz, J., Ronney, P. D., “Effects of Mixture Fraction on Edge-flame Propagation Speeds,” *Proceedings of the Combustion Institute*, Vol. 36, pp. 1403 - 1409 (2017). (DOI: 10.1016/j.proci.2016.07.042).
- Wang, K., Zeng, P., Ahn, J., Ronney, P. D., “Thermal Transpiration Based Pumping and Power Generation Devices,” *Journal of Thermal Science and Technology*, Vol. 8, No. 2, pp. 370-379 (2013). (DOI: 10.1299/jtst.8.370)
- Chen, C.-H., Ronney, P. D., “Scale and geometry effects on heat-recirculating combustors,” *Combustion Theory and Modelling*, Vol. 17, pp. 888-905 (2013) (DOI: 10.1080/13647830.2013.812807)
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- Chen, C.-H., Ronney, P. D., “Three-dimensional Effects in Counterflow Heat-Recirculating Combustors,” *Proceedings of the Combustion Institute*, Vol. 33, pp. 3285-3291 (2011). (DOI: 10.1016/j.proci.2010.06.081)
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- Cha, M. S., Ronney, P. D., “Propagation rates of non-premixed edge-flames,” *Combustion and Flame*, Vol. 146, pp. 312 – 328 (2006). (DOI: 10.1016/j.combustflame.2006.02.010)
- Shao, Z., Haile, S., Ahn, J., Ronney, P. D., Zhan, Z., Barnett, S. A., “A thermally self-sustained micro Solid-Oxide Fuel Cell with high power density,” *Nature*, Vol. 435, pp. 795 – 798 (2005). (DOI: 10.1038/nature03673)
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Patents (7)

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Invited Conference Presentations (38)

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“Heat Recirculating Combustors: How Lean Can We Burn? And How Small?” 2016 International Workshop on Micro Power & Energy Systems, Guangzhou Institute of Energy Conversion, Guangzhou, China, October 29-30, 2016.

“Transient Plasma Ignition for Internal Combustion Engines,” 23rd National Conference on IC Engines and Combustion, Dec. 13 - 16, 2013, Surat, India.

“Microscale Power Generation and Propulsion: It’s not the same as big devices made smaller,” AIAA Aerospace Sciences Meeting, Nashville, TN, January 11, 2012.

“Micropower generation using fuels: An environmentally friendly alternative to batteries for portable power,” International Symposium on Green Technology, Kun-Shan University, Tainan, Taiwan, Nov. 5 – 6, 2009.

“Recent Developments in Micropower Generation Using Hydrocarbon Fuel,” International Center of Excellence of Flow Dynamics, Sendai, Japan, Sept. 26 – 28, 2007.

“Recent Developments in Micropower Generation Using Hydrocarbon Fuels,” 2nd ASME Energy Nanotechnology International Conference, Sept. 5 – 7, 2007, Santa Clara, CA

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- Ahn, J., Ronney, P. D., "Effect of Wall Thermal Conductivity and Thickness on the Performance of Heat-Recirculating Reactors," Fall Technical Meeting, Combustion Institute, Western States Section, Stanford, CA, October 17 – 18, 2005.
- Posthill, J., Reddy, A., Siivola, E., Krueger, G., Mantini, M., Thomas, P., Venkatasubramanian, R., Ochoa, F., Ronney, P. D., "Portable power sources using combustion and thermoelectrics," 24th International Conference on Thermoelectrics, Clemson, SC, June 2005.
- Ahn, J., Ronney, P. D., Shao, Z., Haile, S., "A Thermally Self-Sustaining Miniature Solid Oxide Fuel Cell," 4th Joint U.S. Sections Meeting, Combustion Institute, Philadelphia, PA, March 2005.
- Ochoa, F., Ronney, P. D., "A thermal transpiration-based self-pressurizing mesoscale combustor" 4th Joint U.S. Sections Meeting, Combustion Institute, Philadelphia, PA, March 2005.
- Kuo, C.-H., Ronney, P. D., "Numerical Modeling of Heat Recirculating Combustors," 4th Joint U.S. Sections Meeting, Combustion Institute, Philadelphia, PA, March 2005.
- Ahn, J., Ronney, P. D., "Plastic Mesocombustors," 4th Joint U.S. Sections Meeting, Combustion Institute, Philadelphia, PA, March 2005.
- Cha, M.-S., Manasra, S., Ronney, P. D., "Propagation Rates of Non-Premixed Edge Flames," 4th Joint U.S. Sections Meeting, Combustion Institute, Philadelphia, PA, March 2005.
- Son, Y., Zouein, G., Gokoglu, S., Ronney, P. D., "Comparison of Carbon Dioxide and Helium as Fire Extinguishing Agents for Spacecraft," 4th Joint U.S. Sections Meeting, Combustion Institute, Philadelphia, PA, March 2005.
- Theiss, N., Levin, J., Liu, J. B., Zhao, J., Wang, F., Ronney, P. D., Gundersen, M. A., "Transient Plasma Discharge Ignition for Internal Combustion Engines" 4th Joint U.S. Sections Meeting, Combustion Institute, Philadelphia, PA, March 2005.
- Ahn, J., Eastwood, C., Ronney, P. D., Zongping, S., Kwak, C., Haile, S., "A Thermally Self-Sustaining Miniature Solid Oxide Fuel Cell," 30th Symposium (International) on Combustion, Chicago, IL, July 2004 (poster presentation).
- Theiss, N., Levin, J., Liu, J. B., Zhao, J., Wang, F., Ronney, P. D., Gundersen, M. A., "Corona Discharge Ignition for Advanced Stationary Natural Gas Engines" ASME Internal Combustion Engine Division Fall Technical Conference, Long Beach, CA, October 2004.
- M. Abid, M., Liu, J.-B., Ronney, P. D., Struk, P. M., Weiland, K. J., "Structure Of Flame Balls At Low Lewis-number (SOFBALL) experiment, 2nd Zeldovich Memorial International Conference on Combustion and Detonation, Moscow, Russia, September 2004.
- Kwon, O. C., Abid, M., Liu, J. B., Ronney, P. D., Struk, P. M., Weiland, K. J., "Structure Of Flame Balls At Low Lewis-number (SOFBALL) Experiment," Paper No. 2004-0289, 42nd AIAA Aerospace Sciences Meeting, Reno, NV, January 5-8, 2004.
- Liu, J. B., Wang, F., Lee, L., Ronney, P. D., Gundersen, M. A., "Effect of fuel type on flame ignition by transient plasma discharges," AIAA Paper No. 2004-0837, 42nd AIAA Aerospace Sciences Meeting, Reno, NV, January 5-8, 2004.
- Liu, J. B., Wang, F., Lee, L., Ronney, P. D., Gundersen, M. A., "Effect of Discharge Energy and Cavity Geometry on Flame Ignition by Transient Plasma," AIAA Paper No. 2004-1011, 42nd AIAA Aerospace Sciences Meeting, Reno, NV, January 5-8, 2004.
- Ahn, J., Eastwood, C., Ronney, P. D., "Extinction Limits of Heat-Recirculating Burners," Fall Technical Meeting, Combustion Institute, Western States Section, October 20-21, 2003, Los Angeles, CA.
- Kuo, C. H., Eastwood, C., Ronney, P. D., "Numerical Modeling of Heat-Recirculating Burners," Fall Technical Meeting, Combustion Institute, Western States Section, October 20-21, 2003, Los Angeles, CA.
- Son, Y., Zouein, G., Ronney, P., "Instabilities of upward-spreading flames over thermally thick fuels," Fall Technical Meeting, Combustion Institute, Western States Section, October 20-21, 2003, Los Angeles, CA.

- Kuo, C. H., Eastwood, C., Sitzki, L., Borer, K., Ronney, P., "Numerical Modeling of Heat-Recirculating Burners," 3rd Joint US Sections Meeting of the Combustion Institute, Chicago, IL, March 21-23, 2003.
- Liu, J. B., Ronney, P. D., "Premixed flame ignition by transient plasma discharges," 3rd Joint US Sections Meeting of the Combustion Institute, Chicago, IL, March 21-23, 2003.
- Ahn, J., Eastwood, C., Sitzki, L., Borer, K., P., Ronney, P., "Catalytic and Non-Catalytic Combustion in Heat-Recirculating Burners," 3rd Joint US Sections Meeting of the Combustion Institute, Chicago, IL, March 21-23, 2003.
- Kwon, O. C, Abid, M., Ronney, P. D., Wu, M. S., Ju, Y., "Numerical modeling of flame balls with radiative reabsorption effects," 3rd Joint US Sections Meeting of the Combustion Institute, Chicago, IL, March 21-23, 2003.
- Maruta, K., Takeda, K., Sitzki, L., Borer, K., Ronney, P. D., Wussow, S., Deutschmann, O., "Catalytic Combustion in Microchannel for MEMS Power Generation, " Third Asia-Pacific Conference on Combustion, Seoul, Korea, June 24-27, 2001.
- Sitzki, L, Borer, K., Schuster, E., Ronney, P. D., Wussow, S., "Combustion in Microscale Heat-Recirculating Burners," Third Asia-Pacific Conference on Combustion, Seoul, Korea, June 24-27, 2001.
- Sitzki, L., Borer, K., Wussow, S., Schuster, E., Ronney, P. D. and Cohen, A., "Combustion in Microscale Heat-Recirculating Burners," Paper No. 2001-1087, 39th AIAA Aerospace Sciences Meeting, Reno, NV, January 8-11, 2001.
- Honda, L., Son, Y. and Ronney, P. D., "Radiation-Driven Flame Spread Over Thermally-Thick Fuels in Quiescent Microgravity Environments," Paper No. 2001-0467, 39th AIAA Aerospace Sciences Meeting, Reno, NV, January 8-11, 2001.
- Abid, M., Aung, K., Ronney, P. D., VanZandt, D. V., "Effects of Lewis Number on Flame Ball Dynamics," Paper No. 2001-0623, 39th AIAA Aerospace Sciences Meeting, Reno, NV, January 8-11, 2001.
- Wu, M.-S., Ju, Y. and Ronney, P. D., "Numerical Simulation of Flame Balls with Radiative Reabsorption Effects," Paper No. 2000-0851, 38th AIAA Aerospace Sciences Meeting, Reno, NV, January 11-14, 2000.
- Kaiser, C., Liu, J.-B. and Ronney, P. D., "Diffusive-thermal Instability of Counterflow Flames at Low Lewis Number," Paper No. 2000-0576, 38th AIAA Aerospace Sciences Meeting, Reno, NV, January 11-14, 2000.
- Abid, M., Sharif, J. and Ronney, P. D., "Premixed-Gas Flame Propagation in Hele-Shaw cells," Spring Technical Meeting, joint U. S. Sections, Combustion Institute, Washington, D.C., March 15-17, 1999.
- Liu, J. B. and Ronney, P. D., "Premixed Edge-Flames in Spatially-Varying Straining Flows," Spring Technical Meeting, joint U. S. Sections, Combustion Institute, Washington, D.C., March 15-17, 1999.
- Abid, M., Sharif, J. and Ronney, P. D., "Propagating Fronts in Hele-Shaw Cells: Effects of Buoyancy and Thermal Expansion," Spring Technical Meeting, Combustion Institute, Western States Section, Berkeley, CA, March 23-24, 1998.
- Sharif, J., Abid, M. and Ronney, P. D., "Mechanisms of Premixed Gas Flame Propagation in Quasi-2D Channels," Fall Technical Meeting, Combustion Institute, Western States Section, Diamond Bar, CA, October 23-24, 1997.
- Honda, L. and Ronney, P. D., "Effects of Atmospheric Composition on Flame Spread at Microgravity," Fall Technical Meeting, Combustion Institute, Western States Section, Diamond Bar, CA, October 23-24, 1997.
- Abid, M. and Ronney, P. D., "Propagation Rates of Buoyant Chemical Fronts in Aqueous Solution," Fall Technical Meeting, Combustion Institute, Western States Section, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA, October 28-29, 1996.

- Sharif, J. and Ronney, P. D., "Premixed Gas Flame Propagation in a Hele-Shaw Cell," Fall Technical Meeting, Combustion Institute, Western States Section, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA, October 28-29, 1996.
- Liu, J. B., Ronney, P. D., "Interferometry System for μg Combustion Experiments," Fall Technical Meeting, Combustion Institute, Western States Section, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA, October 28-29, 1996.
- Lim, E. H., McIlroy, A., Ronney, P. D., Syage, J. A., "Effect of Spark Kernel Dynamics on Minimum Ignition Energies of Combustible Gases," Fall Technical Meeting, Combustion Institute, Western States Section, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA, October 28-29, 1996.
- Zhu, J.-Y. and Ronney, P. D., "Numerical Simulation of Buoyant Chemical Front Propagation in Hele-Shaw Flow," 6th SIAM Conference on Numerical Combustion, March 4-6, 1996, New Orleans, LA.
- Ronney, P. D., "Dynamics and Pattern Formation in Propagating Chemical Fronts in Buoyant and Turbulent Flows," 15th Dynamics Days Texas, Houston, TX, Jan. 3-6, 1996.
- Fortmeyer, J. M. and Ronney, P. D., "Radiatively-Driven Flow in Gases," 48th Annual Meeting, Division of Fluid Dynamics, American Physical Society, Irvine, CA, November 19-21, 1995.
- Honda, L. and Ronney, P. D., "Mechanisms of Concurrent-Flow Flame Spread Over Solid Fuels," Fall Technical Meeting, Combustion Institute, Western States Section, Stanford, CA, October 30-31, 1995.
- Liu, J. B., Ronney, P. D., "Robust Interferometer System for Drop Tower Experiments," SPIE International Symposium on Optical Science, Engineering, and Instrumentation, July 9-14, 1995, San Diego, CA.
- Delichatsios, M. A., Ronney, P. D., "Horizontal and Lateral Flame Spread on Solids: Closure and Diffusional Lewis Number Effects," Fall Technical Meeting, Combustion Institute, Eastern States Section, Dec. 5-7, 1994, Clearwater Beach, FL.
- Ronney, P. D., Greenberg, J. B., Zhang, Y., Roegner, E. V., "Control of Fire Spread Through Ambient Atmosphere Effects," 34th Israel Conference on Aerospace Sciences, Feb. 16-17, 1994, Tel-Aviv, Israel.
- Wang, Q., Ronney, P. D., "Mechanisms of Flame Propagation Limits in Vertical Tubes," Spring Technical Meeting, Combustion Institute, Eastern/Central States Section, March 15-17, 1993, New Orleans, LA.
- Buckmaster, J. D., Ronney, P. D., Smooke, M. "Flame Balls: Past, Present, and Future," AIAA Paper No. 93-0712, 1993.

Recent invited academic seminars

Arizona State University, March 29, 2019

University of California, San Diego, August 15, 2018

University of California, San Diego, August 16, 2016

University of Minnesota, November 5, 2014

University of California, San Diego, August 15, 2015

University of California, San Diego, April 28, 2014

Indian Institute of Technology at Madras, Chennai, India December 20, 2013
Indian Institute of Science at Bangalore, Bangalore, India, December 19, 2013
Indian Institute of Technology at Bombay, Mumbai, India, December 17, 2013
University of California, San Diego, August 20, 2013
Syracuse University, April 6, 2012
National Cheng-Kung University, Kaohsiung, Taiwan, March 14, 2012.
National Central University, Jhongli, Taiwan, March 13, 2012
University of California, Los Angeles, February 4, 2011
Louisiana State University, November 5, 2010
University of California, Irvine, October 25, 2010
University of California, San Diego, October 11, 2010
University of California, Riverside, April 3, 2009
Purdue University, Dec. 10, 2009
University of California, San Diego, August 18, 2009
University of Notre Dame, October 16, 2007
Seoul National University, Seoul, Korea, June 8, 2007
Chungnam National University, Daejeon, Korea, June 5, 2007
Korea Institute of Machinery and Materials, June 5, 2007
Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology, Daejeon, Korea, June 4, 2007

Ph.D. Students

Name	Graduation Year	Thesis Title	Status or Current Employer / Position
Mohamed Abid	1999	Instabilities of Propagating Quasi-2D Gaseous Flames and Chemical Fronts in Narrow Channels	Project manager, Jet Propulsion Laboratory , Pasadena; Lecturer, Dept. of Astronautical Engineering, USC
Linton Honda	2001	Effects of Convection and Radiation on Flame Spread Over Solid Fuel Beds	Project manager, Boeing Inc., El Segundo, CA
Youngjin Son	2004	Transport and Chemical Effects on Flame Spread over Thick Solid Fuel Beds in Microgravity and Earth Gravity Environments	Engineer, Caterpillar Inc.
Jeongmin Ahn	2005	An Experimental Study of Catalytic and Non-Catalytic Reaction in Heat Recirculating Reactors and Applications to Power Generation	Associate Professor, Syracuse University
Chun-Hsien “James” Kuo	2006	Numerical Modeling of Non-adiabatic Heat Recirculating Combustors	Professor, National Kaohsiung University of Applied Science , Taiwan
David Clayton	2007	Experimental Investigation of the Propagation and Extinction of Edge-Flames	Technical staff member, Exponent Inc. , Los Angeles, CA
Seungro Lee	2008	High-Sensitivity Multidimensional Photobleaching Velocimetry	Postdoc, Inha University , Incheon, Korea
Chien-Hua Chen	2011	Experimental and Numerical Study of Swiss-roll Combustors and Their Application in Gas Mask System	Technical staff member, ACT Inc. , Lancaster, PA
Ashkan Davani	2019	CFD Design of Jet-Stirred Chambers for Turbulent flame and chemical kinetics experiments	Lecturer, Department of Aerospace and Mechanical Engineering, USC , Los Angeles, CA.
Eugene Kong	2019	Dynamics of Direct Hydrocarbon PEM Fuel Cells	Assistant Professor, Grand Canyon Univ. , Phoenix, AZ
Brandie Rhodes	2019	Hydrogen Peroxide Vapor for Small Satellite Propulsion	Staff scientist, Aerospace Corporation , Los Angeles, CA
Jakrapop “Boom” Wongwiwat	2019	Mesoscale SOFC power generation system: modeling and experiments	Associate Prof., King Mongkut's Univ. of Technology , Bangkok, Thailand
Si Shen	2019	Premixed-gas flame propagation in Hele-Shaw cells	Postdoctoral Research Associate, Technion - Israel Institute of Technology , Haifa

Zhenghong "Harris" Zhou	2021 (expected)	Experimental studies of jet-stirred reactors for chemical kinetics and turbulent flame experiments	Passed screening exam
Patharapong "Winry" Bhuripanyo	2022 (expected)	Reforming and incineration in heat-recirculating combustors	Passed screening exam
Yang Shi	2022 (expected)	Catalytic combustion driven Shape Memory Alloy engine for robotic insect propulsion	
Jui-Yang (Ray) Wang	2023 (expected)	A new jet-stirred reactor for chemical kinetics experiments	
Mar Battistella	2023 (expected)	Optimal millinewton monopropellant thrusters for microsattellites	
Fares Maimani	2024 (expected)		
ShihYao (Bob) Huang	2024 (expected)		

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Courses taught

USC:

AME 101 (Introduction to Mechanical Engineering and Graphics) – Fall 2005, Fall 2006, Fall 2007, Fall 2008, Fall 2009, Fall 2010 (2 sections), Fall 2011 (2 sections), Fall 2013 (2 sections); Fall 2014 (2 sections), Fall 2015 (2 sections), Fall 2016 (2 sections), Fall 2017 (2 sections), Fall 2018 (2 sections), Fall 2019 (2 sections)
AME 331 (Heat Transfer) – Spring 2004, Spring 2005, Spring 2006
AME 436 (Energy & Propulsion) – Spring 2004, Spring 2005, Spring 2006, Spring 2008, Spring 2009, Spring 2010, Spring 2011, Spring 2012, Spring 2013, Spring 2015, Spring 2016, Spring 2018, Spring 2019
AME 513 (Principles of Combustion) – Fall 2012 (graduate course)
AME 513b (Fundamentals and Applications of Combustion II) - Spring 2020 (graduate course)
AME 514 (Applications of Combustion) – Fall 2004, Fall 2006, Fall 2008, Spring 2011, Spring 2013, Spring 2015, Spring 2017 (graduate course)
AME 517 (Radiation heat transfer) – Fall 2003, Fall 2009 (graduate course)
ME 310 (Thermodynamics I) – Fall 1993, Fall 1994
ME 331 (Heat Transfer) – Spring 1994, Spring 2000, Spring 2002, Spring 2003
ME 406 (Automotive engines) – Spring 1995, Spring 1996, Spring 1998, Spring 1999, Spring 2002
ME 430 (Thermal systems design) – Fall 1997
ME 436 (Energy and Propulsion) – Fall 1998, Fall 1999, Fall 2000, Fall 2001, Spring 2003
ME 599 (Special topics in combustion) – Fall 1995, Fall 2002 (graduate course)

Princeton:

MAE 435 (Special Topics, Propulsion) – Fall 1986
MAE 221 (Thermodynamics) – Spring 1987, Spring 1988, Spring 1989
MAE 427 (Mobile Power Plants {includes automotive engines, gas turbines and rockets) – Fall 1987, Fall 1988, Fall 1989*, Fall 1990, Fall 1991, Fall 1992
MAE 594 (Combustion) – Spring 1990, Spring 1991, Spring 1992, Spring 1993 (graduate course)

*Received Princeton Engineering Council Excellence in Teaching Award for this class.

Micro-seminars taught (for incoming USC freshmen)

“Internal Combustion Engines: the worst form of vehicle propulsion, except for all the other forms,”
USC, August 16 - 17, 2018; August 17 - 18, 2017; August 18 – 19, 2016; August 20 – 21, 2015; August 21 – 22, 2014; August 22 – 23, 2013; August 23 – 24, 2012; August 18 – 19, 2011; August 19 – 20, 2010; August 20 – 21, 2009

USC Center for Excellence in Research – faculty mentoring seminars

“Writing Compelling NSF Proposals,” February 11, 2020; October 17, 2019; September 12, 2018; March 21, 2018, September 13, 2017; September 15, 2016; September 30, 2015; September 18, 2014; September 21, 2013.

Recent student recruiting activities

Represented USC at Don Bosco Tech High School (Rosemead, CA) College Fair - October 10, 2019; October 2, 2018; October 10, 2017
Interviewed candidates for USC Trustee and/or Presidential scholarships - February 22 & 26, 2019; February 16 & 27, 2018; February 28 & March 3, 2017
“Preview USC” meetings and lab tours with prospective students and their parents: April 9, 2019; February 14, 2019; April 17, 2018; February 22, 2018; April 20, 2017

Committees

Conference Service

Organizer, Gallery of Fluid Motion videos, American Physical Society Division of Fluid Dynamics annual meeting, Long Beach, CA, Nov. 21 – 23, 2010.

Invited Panelist

1st National Energy Symposium, Los Angeles, CA, June 15, 2006
2nd National Energy Symposium, Sacramento, CA., Sept. 12, 2006
3rd National Energy Symposium, Washington, DC., Dec. 7, 2006

National Advisory Boards

Member, University Space Research Association Microgravity Science Council, 2000 – 2004.

Professional Society Service

Board Member, Combustion Institute, Western States Section (1996 – present)
Local Chair/Organizer, Spring Technical Meeting, Combustion Institute, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA, March 17 – 18, 2008
Local Chair/Organizer, 11th US National Combustion Meeting, Pasadena, CA, March 24 - 27, 2019

University of Southern California

Future Energy and Fuels and Initiative (2005 – 2006)
General Education Committee (1998-2000)

Viterbi School of Engineering, USC

Ph.D. Council (2015 – 2017)
Committee on Appointments, Promotions and Tenure (1998-2000; 2012 – 2016 [Chair 2013 - 2014]; 2018 - 2020) [Chair 2019-2020])
Engineering Faculty Council, Member (2011 – 2013, 2015, 2017 - 2019); Secretary (2012 – 2013, 2017 - 2019)
Division of Engineering Education, Member (2009-2011)
Chair, Instructional Laboratory Assessment Committee (2001-2003)
Research Committee (1999-2001)

Department of Aerospace and Mechanical Engineering, USC

Department Chair (2020 - present)
Department Associate Chair (2015 - 2017)
Pi Tau Sigma faculty advisor (1999 – 2020)
Awards Committee (2013 – 2020)
Merit Review Committee (2014 – 2016)
Faculty Search Committee (2012 – 2014)
Ph.D. Admissions Committee (2012 – 2014)
Students for the Exploration and Development of Space (SEDS) faculty advisor (Advising students building experiments that flew on the NASA KC-135 microgravity research aircraft) (2006 – 2008; 2011 – 2012)
Salary Committee (1994-95)
Seminar Committee (1995-96)
Freshman Advisor (1997-99)

Princeton University

Committee on Undergraduate Life (1987-88)

Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, Princeton University

ASME Faculty Advisor (1986-89)
Seminar Committee (1987-1993)
Freshman Advisor (1987-1992)
Junior Class Advisor (1987-1991)
Senior Class Advisor (1987-1992)
Undergraduate Committee (1987-1992)

Reviewer for manuscripts submitted to

AIAA Journal
AIAA Journal of Propulsion and Power
AIChE Journal
American Chemical Society Books
Applied Energy
Applied Mechanics Reviews
Applied Physics Letters
Applied Thermal Engineering
Archivum Combustionis
ASME Journal of Heat Transfer
Cambridge University Press
Chaos
Chemical Engineering Journal
Combustion Science and Technology
Combustion Theory and Modelling
Combustion and Flame
Energies
Energy and Fuels
Experiments in Fluids

Experimental Thermal and Fluid Science
Fire Safety Journal
Fuel
Industrial and Engineering Chemistry Research
International Colloquium on the Dynamics of Explosions and Reactive Systems
International Journal of Hydrogen Energy
Journal of Applied Physics
Journal of Fluid Mechanics
Mediterranean Combustion Symposium
Micromachines
Microscale Thermophysical Engineering
Microgravity Science and Technology
National Research Council COBASE program
Nature
Physical Review Letters
Physical Review E
Physical Review Applied
Physics of Fluids
PLOS ONE
PowerMEMS conferences
Proceedings of the Combustion Institute
Proceedings of the Royal Society of London
Progress in Energy and Combustion Science
Scientific Reports
SIAM Journal of Applied Mathematics
Springer-Verlag Publishers

Reviewer for proposals submitted to

French National Research Agency (l'Agence Nationale de la Recherche)
METRANS
National Science Foundation
National Aeronautics and Space Administration
Petroleum Research Foundation
Research Grant Council of Hong Kong
State of California Energy Innovations Small Grant Program
Swiss National Science Foundation
U. S. Air Force Office of Scientific Research
U. S. Army Research Office
U. S. Advanced Research Projects Agency - Energy (ARPA-E)
U. S. Department of Energy
U. S. Office of Naval Research
U. S. State Department International Science and Technology Center
U.S. Civilian Research and Development Foundation
USC Center for Interdisciplinary Research

Honorary Societies

Phi Beta Kappa (Liberal arts)
Tau Beta Pi (Engineering)

Pi Tau Sigma (Mechanical engineering)

Professional Societies

Combustion Institute (Fellow)

American Society of Mechanical Engineers (Fellow)

American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (Associate Fellow)

Consulting

State of Washington, Office of the Attorney General - technical evaluation of claims made by a fuel additive retailer

Liner LLP – automotive engineering intellectual property

Federal Trade Commission – technical evaluation of claims made by a fuel additive manufacturer

Wavetech Industries, Los Angeles, CA – internal combustion engine design

Bingo Industries, Grand Junction, CO – combustion and heat transfer for electronic cigarettes

Mardirossian & Associates, Inc., Los Angeles, CA – fire analysis

Kelly, Sutter and Kendrick, P. C., Houston, TX – combustion and explosion analysis

Irvine Sensors, Inc., Irvine, CA – microscale combustion and power generation

Sigma-K Corp. – biomass fueled furnaces

RTI International – microscale combustion and power generation

MEMGen Corp., Torrance, CA – microscale combustion and power generation

Alstom Corp., Hartford CT – laser ignition

Greenrun Engine Co. – natural-gas engine development

General Atomics, San Diego, CA; Flammability and deflagration hazards of CAMDS DFS (Chemical Agent Munitions Disposal System, Deactivation Furnace System)