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General Information

1 Information on Biosystems Engineering

The Biosystems Engineering Department is part of the College of Agriculture with faculty reporting to the Dean of the College of Agriculture. The department offers undergraduate degree programs leading to the Bachelor of Science in Biosystems Engineering. The degree program meets engineering accreditation requirements and is administered through the College of Engineering. Students may choose to pursue options in Ecological Engineering and in Forest Engineering, a program jointly administered by the College of Engineering and the School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences. In 1998 the Department stopped accepting students as M.S. and Ph.D. candidates and the graduate degree programs were removed from the ACHE inventory. In Fall 2010 the privilege of granting M.S. and Ph.D. degrees was restored by ACHE to the Biosystems Engineering Department.

2 Assigned Duties

2011—2012	Teaching:	65%	Research:	35%
2012—2013	Teaching:	65%	Research:	35%
2013—2014	Teaching:	65%	Research:	35%

3 Honors and Awards

- Alabama Section ASABE Distinguished Engineer Award, 2014.
- Outstanding Faculty Member, 2005, 2010 – Department of Biosystems Engineering. Annual award presented by biosystems and forest engineering students to the outstanding teacher in the department.

- Member, Alpha Epsilon, Agricultural Engineering honor society.
- USDA Forest Service Certificate of Merit, 1999, "For development of a research program on Spatial Data Applications for forest operations".
- USDA Forest Service Certificate of Merit, 1993, "Outstanding research contributions in forest operations research".
- USDA Agricultural Research Service Certificate of Merit, 1989, "Outstanding research contributions in the area of meat grading".

Scholarly Contributions by the Candidate

A Teaching

1 Courses taught for the past three years

Year	Semester	Course	Title	Lec	Lab	Enrolled
2011	Fall	BSEN 3210	Mechanical Power for Biosystems	2	3	11
		BSEN 2210	Engineering Methods for Biosystems	1	3	38
		BSEN 7710	Fundamentals of Instrumentation for Biological Systems	1	3	8
2012	Spring	BSEN 4250	Hydraulic Control Systems Design	2	3	3
		BSEN 3610	Instrumentation & Controls for Biosystems	2	3	16
	Fall	BSEN 3210	Mechanical Power for Biosystems	2	3	20
		BSEN 2210	Engineering Methods for Biosystems	1	3	42
		BSEN 7710	Fundamentals of Instrumentation for Biological Systems	2	3	3
	Spring	ENGR 3610	Instrumentation & Controls for Biosystems	2	3	24
2013		BSEN 3210	Mechanical Power for Biosystems	2	3	15
	Fall	ENGR 2210	Engineering Methods for Biosystems	1	3	39
		BSEN 7970	Practical Programming for Researchers	0	3	5
2014	Spring	BSEN 3610	Instrumentation & Controls for Biosystems	2	3	32
		BSEN 7710	Fundamentals of Instrumentation for Biological Systems	2	3	5

2 Graduate students whose work has been completed

Name	Degree	Year	Role	Current Position
Jaskaran Dhiman	MS	2014	Committee member	Graduate Student, McGill University
Ravinder Thaper	MS	2014	Committee member	US Army

Name	Degree	Year	Role	Current Position
Nan Wei	MS	2013	Committee member	Henkel Investment Co., Ltd.
Qun Wang	MS	2013	Major Advisor	Graduate Student, Statistics, Georgia State University
David Herriott	MS	2013	Committee member	Mechanical Engineer, Cooper Tire and Rubber Co..
Jonathan Hall	MS	2012	Committee member	Precision Ag Specialist, Jimmy Sanders, Cleveland, MS.
Simerjeet Virk	MS	2012	Committee member	Product Support Specialist, Hagie, Corp.
Ajay Sharda	PhD	2011	Committee member	Assistant Professor, Biological and Agricultural Engineering, Kansas State University.
Taylor Wingo	MS	2011	Committee member	N.A.
Daniel Mullenix	MS	2011	Committee member	Precision Ag Specialist, Agri AFC
Karunakaran Haridass	MS	2010	Committee member	Project Engineer with Flowserve in Coimbatore, India
Darrell Krueger	MS	2009	Committee member	Mechanical Engineer, BNSF Railway
Jeff Hunt	MS	2007	Co-chair (with Dr. Hung, ELEC)	N.A.
Stephen Meadows	MS	2010	Committee member	Forester with Weyerhaeuser in North Carolina
Bruno Folegatti	PhD	2007	Committee member	Analyst with Regions/Morgan Keegan Bank
Brooks Butler	MS	2007	Committee member	Engineer with Georgia Pacific, Monroeville, AL
Clay Campbell	MS	2008	Committee member	Water Resources Specialist, AMEC Earth and Environmental, Birmingham, AL
Corey Kichler	MS	2008	Committee member	Support Engineer, USDA ARS National Soil Dynamics Lab
Jonathan Melton	MS	2008	Co-chair (with Dr. Wes Zech, Civil Engineering)	Engineer II, Atwell, LLC
Owen Michels	MS	2010	Committee member	Department of Forestry, Commonwealth of Kentucky

Name	Degree	Year	Role	Current Position
Jaspreet Aulakh	MS	2008	Committee member	N.A.
Christian Brodbeck	MS	2007	Co-chair (with Dr. Dan Brown, Civil Engineering)	Engineer III, Auburn University, Biosystems Engineering
Jonathan Davis	MS	2005	Co-chair (with Dr. Dan Brown, Civil Engineering)	Engineer with URS Corporation

2.1 Outside reader

- Komkrit Pitiruek, Industrial and Systems Engineering. 2011. An operating and investment model for integrating wind electric power in manufacturing.
- Tyrel Harbuck, Horticulture. 2010. Assessment of precision technologies for accurate delivery of crop inputs.
- Jose Terra, Agronomy and Soils. 2004. Soil management and landscape variability impacts on field-scale cotton and corn productivity.

3 Graduate students on whose committee the candidate is presently serving

Name	Degree	Role	Thesis Title
Pengmin Pan	PhD	Major Advisor	Comparison of NIR and ECT in predicting moisture content of woody biomass
Rees Bridges	MS	Major Advisor	Route planning for autonomous skidder operations
Chennan Xue	MS	Major Advisor	Assessment of route planning algorithms for automated forest operations
Aurelie Poncet	PhD	Committee Member	Planter factors affecting stand establishment and growth
Daniel Pegoretti Leite de Souza	MS	Committee Member	Determining the impacts of felling method and season of year on coppice regeneration
Jonathan Kenney	MS	Committee Member	Factors that affect fuel consumption in logging systems
Ujjain Pradhan	MS	Committee Member	Physical treatments for reducing ash content in biomass

4 Courses and curricula developed

BSEN 2210. Engineering methods for biosystems engineers. New course. This course was added to the curriculum for all Biosystems Engineering students in Fall 2010. It is intended to develop students'

ability to solve non-trivial problems in engineering and mathematics using technical software, plus develop basic understanding of professional engineering practice. The course was new and required development of all lecture and lab material. Subject matter was intended to introduce modeling of biological and mechanical systems as a means of fostering an analytical approach to problem solving. Labs were focused on applying analytical software in analyzing model behavior. Other material was developed to introduce professional practice for engineers, especially written communication and working in a group environment, plus instrumentation and measurement and statistical concepts for dealing with biological systems.

Much of the new material developed was used to introduce students to specific software tools used in later courses, including **Excel**, **Matlab**, **LabView**, and **Autodesk Inventor**. Projects were designed for each package to ensure students' skill with the software was developed to a point where they could model a range of deterministic and stochastic biological systems. Students were also asked to verify predictions based on their models for various physical systems, for example, comparing predicted and actual flow of water from reservoirs with various shapes, which introduced statistical concepts into the course. Other projects used relatively simple problems in basic geometry or applied math to give students an opportunity to apply critical thinking in problem solving.

BSEN 3610. Instrumentation and controls for biosystems. New course. This course was added to the curriculum for Biosystems Engineering students in Spring 2011. It is intended to introduce analysis of basic electrical circuits plus provide students an introduction to measurement and data acquisition. The lab subjects ranged from basic electrical measurements using DVM and oscilloscope to construction of a load cell using strain gauges and modern instrumentation.

The labs reinforce material introduced in class with a hands-on approach. Simple current and voltage relationships can be abstract to students not familiar with how electrical systems work and the labs provide an opportunity to directly interact with circuits and gain a more intuitive understanding of their behavior. Labs developed for the course included lessons on passive components, particularly resistive networks, plus operational amplifiers that can be reconfigured to perform numerous functions important in signal processing. This class provides the only exposure in our curriculum for the students to these types of circuits and their utility in developing custom measurement systems. The techniques used in solving problems presented in the course also help students understand more general math problems, such as applications of linear algebra and differential equations, plus give the students an opportunity to use engineering software tools such as **Matlab**.

BSEN 7710. Fundamentals of instrumentation for biological systems. New course. Taught for the first time Fall 2011. Developed lecture and lab material for a graduate course in research instrumentation methods. Objective of the course was to introduce graduate students to data acquisition and instrumentation fundamentals necessary to complete their research projects. Focus was on microcontrollers and higher-level data acquisition with **Labview** software.

Besides the practicalities of data acquisition, the class introduced some system theoretic concepts related to discrete sampling of continuous signals. We also covered simple frequency domain analysis and filtering plus software tools to perform the calculations.

BSEN 7970. Special Topics: Practical programming for researchers. New course (Fall 2013). A course developed to introduce graduate students to programming in **C** and **Python**. The intention in developing the course was to provide students necessary background to gain better understanding of the practicalities covered in BSEN 7710. Emphasis is on proficiency in **C** for micro controller applications and in **Python** for data analysis. The approach is entirely practical, covering the fundamentals of software development through examples designed to emphasize the core concepts of each language: addressing and

pointers in C, and object oriented development in Python.

ENGR 1110. Introduction to Engineering Modified course (taught Fall 2005 to Spring 2008). The introductory class in engineering, each department teaches its own section(s), the objective being to give students some background in engineering practice. Topics include ethics, professionalism, and safety, plus an introduction to team design typically through an assigned project. I developed several new design projects that instructors in subsequent years have replicated.

5 Grants received related to teaching

Authors (PI)	Title	Funding Source	Duration	Amount
T. McDonald, Fasina, J.P. Fulton, S. Taylor	O.O. Lab-scale teaching tools to test biofuels	AU Provost - GFE Equipment Grants	1/08 - 8/08	\$9,000

These funds were used to construct a small engine dynamometer. The dyno is used each year in multiple labs for the BSEN 3210 course to highlight engine characterization, power and work relationships for mechanical and hydraulic systems, and to evaluate the relative efficiency of engines running on various biofuels.

6 Publications pertaining to teaching

None.

7 Other contributions to teaching

7.1 Undergraduate Advisement

Each faculty member in Biosystems Engineering advises about 15 students each semester.

7.2 Student Activities

- **$\frac{1}{4}$ -scale Tractor Competition Team Advisor** Our professional society, the American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers (ASABE) sponsors an annual competition in which teams of students design, build, and test a small-scale tractor. Their designs are evaluated by groups of professional engineers at a site hosted by a sponsor of the competition, typically a large OEM. The

students' entries are judged for their design quality, marketing potential, plus performance. I was the faculty advisor for the team from 2007 to 2010 and assisted them with fundraising, provided advice on design choices, and traveled with the team to their competitions.

The competition involves year-round work to compete successfully. Students must fundraise early in the fall, make design choices to complete preliminary designs before January, then finalize plans soon after the spring semester starts. They must develop CAD drawings for the entire tractor, build a prototype, and test it, all of which has to happen before a final design report is submitted early in April. Only then is the final design built and readied for competition, which happens in late May.

I worked with the team each year through the entire design process, plus assisted in construction and testing. I also helped them secure funding to develop their own test sled and track, a significant tool used in evaluating design choices and generating meaningful content for the design report. It was a large time commitment, mostly evenings and weekends, but was of great benefit to the students participating. They gained relevant design and work experience, had a chance to develop leadership skills, and met numerous engineers working in the equipment industry.

There were several years during which a core student cadre could not be formed and AU did not field a team. This year I have high hopes for a new bunch of students that seem to have the willingness to commit to the rigors of the competition and I fully expect we'll have a tractor at this year's event.

- **ASABE Student Branch Advisor** The role of the advisor is to guide the students in setting an agenda for the organization that enhances their professional goals, including planning of meetings, recruitment of speakers, help in coordinating fundraising, and traveling with them to regional events. I have served as advisor at various times over the last 12 years, and am the current (2014-2015) principal.

Advising the group requires varied tasks be done, organizing meetings, contacting speakers, and assisting with Departmental outreach events such as E-Day. Perhaps the largest effort, however, has to do with fundraising, and most of that is done through a single event – the Lawnmower Clinic. Local citizens bring the students lawnmowers to be serviced for a nominal fee and the group uses the funds raised to finance their participation in the annual Rally of peer ASABE branches hosted at one of the 13 southern schools having Biosystems Engineering programs. The students gain a great deal from this process. They make lasting friendships working together in putting on the event, plus they get a chance to meet students from other Universities and gain an appreciation for how they fit into the wider world of engineering.

- **FE Exam Preparation** All BSEN faculty have joined together to assist students in studying to pass the first test of their general engineering knowledge, FE Exam. Passing the FE is the first step in their becoming a registered professional engineer, a significant accomplishment from a career standpoint. I have developed review materials covering general mathematics, dynamics, and basic circuit analysis. All have been compiled into study guides offering review problems, plus solutions.
- **Graduate Handbook** Compiled and edited the Department's Graduate Handbook, available here.
- **2+2 and 3+2 Programs with Shanghai Ocean University** Have been involved in discussions with faculty at SHOU concerning development of joint undergraduate programs.

B Research/Creative Work

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3.3 Invited Lectures

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3.3.1 Invited Lectures - International

McDonald, Timothy; Wang, Yifen. 2013. Acquiring data anywhere: Research outside the lab. Research Frontiers Lecture. College of Food Science and Technology, Shanghai Ocean University. 27-28 November.

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4 Exhibitions

None.

5 Performances

None.

6 Patents and inventions

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7 Other research/creative contributions

- Member of the Steering Committee for the International Precision Forestry Symposium, held every four years from 2002 to the present.
- Served as mentor to a USDA SEED fellow, Evan Betterton, Jun-Aug 2013. He completed a project using smart phones to track log truck movements and generate information on turn times. The goal was to develop simple, portable, and cheap systems for measuring the efficiency of a log transport system.
- Hosted a visiting scientist, Camila Mazão, from the University of São Paulo, Escola Superior Agricultura a 'Luiz de Queiroz' during the period Mar-Jun 2012. She completed a project evaluating automated time study in skidders and has submitted a paper for publication to a Brazilian journal, entitled 'Comparao entre mtodos de estudo de tempo: uma aplicao operao de arraste florestal com uso de skidder'.

8 Grants and contracts

8.1 Contracts and grants received.

Authors (PI)	Title	Funding Source	Duration	Amount
McDonald, Taylor, Ortiz, Knappenberger, Pate	Replacement of GPDS equipment	Alabama Experiment Station	2015	\$73,494
McDonald, Fasina, Galagher	In-situ moisture determination for woody biomass	8/15-9/16	USDA Forest Service	
Fulton, Pate, McDonald, Hall	Variable orifice nozzle evaluation	Alabama Commodity Groups	2012 - 2015	\$11,000
Fulton, Wood, Fasina, McDonald	Evaluating the potential for blended fertilizer segregation during application with spinner spreaders	Alabama Commodity Groups	2012 - 2015	\$24,500

Authors (PI)	Title	Funding Source	Duration	Amount
<i>Taylor, Rials, Kelley, Henchee, et al.</i>	Southeastern partnership for integrated biomass supply systems	USDA AFRI - Sustainable Bioenergy	1/12 - 12/16	\$15MM
<i>T. McDonald, T. Burch</i>	Energy efficiency of a novel fast pyrolysis system	US DoD	1/12 - 9/12	\$52,773
<i>Fulton, Wood, Pate, Fasina, McDonald</i>	Potential of blended fertilizer segregation during variable rate application	International Plant Nutrition Institute	2011 - 2013	\$2,864
<i>Fulton, Sharda, Winstead, McDonald, Hall</i>	Variable orifice nozzle evaluation	Cotton, Inc.	2011	\$4,500
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<i>B. Ortiz, J. Mask, J. Shaw, B. Guertal, T. McDonald</i>	Precision Agriculture: Management Approaches Toward Environmental Stewardship for Alabama	USDA CSREES	8/10 - 8/12	\$389,950
<i>S. Taylor, F. Corley, R. Rummer, ...</i>	High tonnage biomass production from a southern pine energy plantation	7/10 - 12/13	US DOE	\$4.9MM
<i>T. McDonald, Y. Wang</i>	Factors affecting yield and quality of biodiesel: Monitoring biodiesel quality for the City of Enterprise	3/09 - 12/09	ADECA	\$45,000
<i>T. McDonald, Y. Wang</i>	American Bio-fuels Cooperative Proposal	1/09 - 12/09	ADECA	\$30,000
<i>T. McDonald, T. Gallagher, M. Smidt</i>	Potential ignition from the operation of hotsaws	USDA Forest Service	10/07 - 12/08	\$15,000
<i>Mask, Howe, Fulton, Shaw, McDonald, Adrian</i>	Precision Agriculture Technologies to increase production efficiency in Alabama	USDA CSREES	8/8 - 8/10	\$413,605
<i>Fulton, Mask, Shaw, McDonald, Taylor</i>	Precision Agriculture - Alabama	USDA CSREES	8/8 - 8/10	\$415,769
<i>Taylor, Fulton, McDonald, Hall</i>	Bioenergy and bioproducts demonstration vehicle	Wheat and Feed Grain Committee	3/07 - 3/10	\$5,000
<i>Barlow, Smidt, Zhang, McDonald</i>	Wood production systems and cost in the US South	NCASI	8/08 - 12/09	\$20,000
<i>Fasina, Fulton, McDonald</i>	Agglomeration of biomass feedstocks for bioenergy applications	Southeast Regional SunGrant	10/07 - 9/09	\$50,000

Authors (PI)	Title	Funding Source	Duration	Amount
<i>Fulton</i> , Mask, McDonald, Shaw, Dougherty, Srivastava, Taylor	Use of precision agriculture technologies for natural resource management	USDA CSREES	8/06 - 8/08	\$555,507
<i>McDonald</i> , Zech, Gallagher	Revision of biomass harvest cost analyzer	USDA Forest Service	10/06 - 12/07	\$30,000
<i>Fulton</i> , Burmester, McDonald, Norwood, Shaw	Calibration of Granular Variable-Rate Application Equipment: Volume versus Mass Measurement for Pattern Assessment.	Alabama Wheat and Feed Grain Committee	8/05 - 10/06	\$4,200
<i>Srivastava</i> , McDonald	Reducing Sediment Yield from ORV Trails through Monitoring and Modeling	USDA Forest Service	9/05 - 8/07	\$10,000
<i>Fulton</i> , Mask, McDonald, Shaw, Srivastava, Smidt, Dougherty, Taylor	Precision Agriculture and Precision Forestry - Alabama	USDA-CSREES Special Grant	8/05 - 7/07	\$561,821
<i>McDonald</i> , Gallagher, Fulton	Establishing Norms for Maintenance Practices on Southern National Forest ORV Trails	USDA Forest Service	9/04 - 3/06	\$19,775
<i>Stringer</i> , Barton, McDonald, Smidt	Timber harvesting analysis using GPS and GIS	UKY - USDA CSREES Special Grant Competitive Award	3/05 - 3/08	\$133,909
<i>McDonald</i> , Mask, Fulton, Shaw, Taylor	Precision Agriculture and Precision Forestry	USDA CSREES Special Grant	7/04 - 6/06	\$544,330
<i>McDonald</i> , Taylor	Poultry house distributed generation using recycled vegetable oils	Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs	11/03 - 5/06	\$49,900
<i>Gallagher</i> , Smidt, Tufts, McDonald, Taylor, Rumer	How to improve transport efficiency and cost	Wood Supply Research Institute	9/03 - 9/04	\$45,200
<i>Mask</i> , Shaw, McDonald, Taylor	Precision Agriculture and Precision Forestry	USDA CSREES Special Grant	7/03 - 6/05	\$440,000
<i>McDonald</i> , Baier, Taylor	Monitoring Off-trail Sediment Production of the Kentuck ORV System	USDA Forest Service	5/03 - 6/04	\$9,720

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Authors (PI)	Title	Funding Source	Duration	Amount
Baier, McDonald, Taylor, Tufts	Erosion and Recreational Trails: Construction and Maintenance Practices to Minimize Watershed Impacts	Environmental Institute	5/03 - 8/05	\$80,000
			Total:	\$23,908,000

C Outreach

1 Commentary

I have no formal extension appointment, but do fully support the mission of Auburn as a land-grant University. My goal in promoting that mission is to work with colleagues here at Auburn, and in the wider forestry community, to support the sustainability and economic advancement of the forest products industry in the state and nation, and to provide expertise in specific subject areas to interested landowners or operations contractors.

2 Outreach Publications

2.1 Circulars

- Fulton, J.P.; Raper, R.; McDonald, T.P.; Tyson, T. 2006. ANR-1303: Fuel Conservation Strategies for the Farm. Circular. Alabama Cooperative Extension System, Auburn University. 5pp, 2500 copies.

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D Service

1 University Service

- University Senate. 2005—2009.

1.1 College Service

- College of Agriculture Planning Committee member. 2003—2005.
- Dean Search Committee member. 2004.
- College of Agriculture Request for Equipment funding review committee. 2007—2008,2012.
- Ag Illustrated advisory committee. 2011-2013.
- Judge, College of Engineering Graduate Showcase. 2014.

1.2 Departmental Service

- Chair, Search Committee for Forest Engineering position. 2003—2004.
- Member, Search Committee for Food and BioProcess Engineering position. 2003—2004.
- Member, Search Committee for Bioenergy position. 2009.
- Chair, Computer Committee. 2009—present.
- Member, Graduate Student Admissions Committee. 2011—present.
- Faculty advisor to Quarter-scale Tractor Student Competition Team. 2004—present.
- Faculty advisor to Student Branch, ASABE. 2004, 2007,2011,2014.

2 Professional Service

- Member Engineer, American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers.
 - President, Alabama State Section. 2007—2008.
 - Treasurer, Alabama State Section. 2011-present.
- Member, Council of Forest Engineers.
- Member, Forest Products Society.
- Reviewer for Forest Science, Southern Journal of Applied Forestry, International Journal of Forest Engineering, Forest Products Journal, Transactions of the ASABE, Applied Engineering in Agriculture, Computers and Electronics in Agriculture, Croatian Journal of Forest Engineering
- Review panelist for USDA NIFA RFA, August 2014. Also reviewer for SBIR, Sun Grant, DOE.