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Professional Interests:

Advanced spacecraft and aircraft propulsion, plasma physics and rarefied gas dynamics, Hall thruster clustering and facility effects, electric propulsion plume diagnostics

Education:

- Ph.D. Aerospace Engineering, December 2004, University of Michigan
- MSE Aerospace Engineering, December 2000, University of Michigan
- BSE Aerospace Engineering, December 1999, University of Michigan

Ph.D. Thesis:

- Effects of Facility Backpressure on the Performance and Plume of a Hall Thruster
Advisor: Alec D. Gallimore

Work Experience:

Georgia Institute of Technology	Atlanta, GA
Full Professor of Aerospace Engineering	February 2017 – Present
Associate Professor of Aerospace Engineering	July 2011 – February 2017
Assistant Professor of Aerospace Engineering	Jan. 2005 – June 2011
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Director of the High-Power Electric Propulsion Laboratory• Electric propulsion engine development, engine-spacecraft interaction studies, and the development of diagnostic tools• Member of Georgia Tech Cryo Lab	
University of Michigan Plasmadynamics and Propulsion Laboratory	Ann Arbor, MI
Graduate Student Researcher	August 2000 – Dec. 2004
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Involved in dissertation research: Facility effects, Hall thruster clustering• Assembled two 5-kW P5 Hall thrusters and cathodes• Constructed a null-type inverted-pendulum thrust stand• Set up and performed characterization tests on the Pratt & Whitney T-220HT 10-kW Hall thruster• Set up and performed characterization tests of the Aerojet BPT-4000 4.5-kW Hall thruster	
University of Michigan Academic Mentoring Program	Ann Arbor, MI
Academic Mentor	August 2002 – Dec. 2004
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Advised undergraduates in their terminal semester on approaches to reach their academic goals	
University of Michigan Minority Engineering Program Office	Ann Arbor, MI
Physics Instructor	June 2003 – August 2003
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presented lectures on introductory physics• Evaluated student performance	

Lockheed Martin Missiles & Space
Engineering Intern
Sunnyvale, CA
May 2000 – August 2000

- Performed tests on satellites in a clean room (1k) and ESD sensitive environment
- Analyzed arcjet performance data for the A2100 program
- Investigated arcjet bubble events for on-orbit satellites

Lockheed Martin Tactical Aircraft Systems
Engineering Intern (SECRET Clearance)
Fort Worth, TX
May 1999 – August 1999

- Tested turbojet sub-scale nozzles and presented data to engine manufacturers
- Presented an analysis of boundary layer profiles near secondary flow inlet on the F-16
- Conducted literature searches on supersonic secondary flow inlet performance
- Compiled CFD results into usable formats
- Created road maps of engine performance histories for marketing

Lockheed Martin Missiles & Space
Engineering Intern
Sunnyvale, CA
May 1998 – August 1998

- Performed tests on satellites in a clean room (1k) and ESD sensitive environment
- Analyzed flow of preliminary propulsion subsystem
- Created 3D models of preliminary propulsion subsystem components
- Analyzed on-orbit propulsion system telemetry
- Completed component qualification certificates for commercial satellite hardware

Lockheed Martin Missiles & Space
Engineering Intern
Sunnyvale, CA
May 1997 – August 1997

- Compiled electronic versions of propulsion subsystem drawings
- Incorporated design changes into current drawings
- Answered customer questions on propulsion subsystem performance
- Corresponded with vendors in respect to hardware

Journal Publications:

1. Caruso, N. R. S, Walker, M. L. R., “**Effects of Ingested Versus Injected Propellant on Radio-Frequency Discharge Plasma Properties,**” Journal of Propulsion and January, 2018. – In Review.
2. Schweigert, I., Burton, T., Thompson, G., Langendorf, S., Walker, M. L. R., Keidar, M., “**Plasma Interaction with Emissive Surface with Debye-Scale Grooves,**” Plasma Sources Science and Technology, January 2018. – In Review.
3. Frieman, J., Walker, M. L. R., “**Background Flow Model Evaluation of SPT-100 HET Facility Effects,**” Journal of Propulsion and Power, November 2017. – In Review.
4. Walker, J. A., Walker, M. L. R., Khayms, V., King, D., Peterson, P., “**Time-Delay of Electrical Signals in a Hall Current Thruster Testing Environment,**” Journal of Propulsion and Power, August 2016. – In Review.
5. Singh, L. A., Walker, M. L. R., “**Sensitivity Analysis of Propellant Collection Physics,**” Journal of Spacecraft and Rockets, August 2014. – In Review.
6. Levchenko, I., Xu, S., Walker, M. L. R., Keidar, M., “**Nano in Space: Big Expectations from Advanced Nanoscaled Materials,**” Nature Communications, November 2017. – Accepted.
7. Averett, R., Scogin, T., Walker, M. L. R., “**Electromagnetically Induced Distortion of a Fibrin Matrix with Embedded Microparticles,**” Journal of Mechanics in Medicine and Biology, October 2017. – Accepted.
8. Frieman, J., Brown, N., Liu, C., Liu, T., Walker, M. L. R., Khayms, V., King, D., “**Impact of Propellant Species on Hall Effect Thruster Electrical Facility Effects,**” Journal of Propulsion and Power, September 2017. – Accepted.

9. Frieman, J. D., Brown, N. P., Liu, C. Y., Liu, T. M., Walker, M. L. R., Khayms, V., King, D. Q., **“Electrical Facility Effects on Faraday Probe Measurements,”** Journal of Propulsion and Power, Journal of Propulsion and Power, Volume 34, Number 1, January-February 2018, pp. 267-269.
10. Caruso, N. R. S., Walker, M. L. R., **“Neutral Ingestion Effects on Plume Properties of a Low-Power RF Plasma Discharge,”** Journal of Propulsion and Power, Volume 34, Number 1, January-February 2018, pp. 58-65.
11. Frieman, J. D., Liu, T. M., Walker, M. L. R., **“Background Flow Model of Hall Thruster Neutral Ingestion,”** Journal of Propulsion and Power, Volume 33, Number 5, September-October 2017, pp. 1087-1101.
12. Saleh, S. H., Geng, F., Ku, M., Walker, M. L. R., **“Electric Propulsion Reliability: Statistical Analysis of On-orbit Anomalies and Comparative Analysis of Electric versus Chemical Propulsion Failure Rates,”** Acta Astronautica, (139) July 2017, pp. 141-156.
13. Brown, D. L., Walker, M. L. R., Szabo, J., Huang, W., **“Recommended Practice for Use of Faraday Probes in Electric Propulsion Testing,”** Journal of Propulsion and Power, Volume 33, Number 3, May-June 2017, pp. 582-613.
14. Polk, J., Pancotti, A., Haag, T., King, S., Walker, M. L. R., Blakely, J., Ziemer, J., **“Recommended Practices for Thrust Measurement in Electric Propulsion Testing,”** Journal of Propulsion and Power, Volume 33, Number 3, May-June 2017, pp. 539-555.
15. Dankanich, J. W., Walker, M. L. R., Swiatek, M. W., Yim, J. T., **“Recommended Practice for Pressure Measurements and Calculation of Effective Pumping Speeds in Electric Propulsion Testing,”** Journal of Propulsion and Power, Volume 33, Number 3, May-June 2017, pp. 668-680.
16. Snyder, S., Frieman, J. D., Walker, M. L. R., **“Recommended Practice for Flow Control and Measurement in Electric Propulsion Testing,”** Journal of Propulsion and Power, Volume 33, Number 3, May-June 2017, pp. 556-565.
17. Schinder, A., Rimoli, J., Walker, M. L. R., **“Investigation of Plasma Material Erosion Under Mechanical Stress,”** Journal of Propulsion and Power, Volume 33, Number 2, March-April 2017, pp. 433-447.
18. Walker, J. A., Langendorf, S. J., Walker, M. L. R., **“Electrical Facility Effects on Hall Current Thrusters: Electron Termination Pathway Manipulation,”** Journal of Propulsion and Power, Volume 32, Number 6, November-December 2016, pp. 1365-1377.
19. Walker, J. A., Frieman, J. D., Khayms, V., Peterson, P. Y., King, D., Walker, M. L. R., **“Electrical Facility Effects on Hall Effect Thruster Cathode Coupling: Discharge Oscillations and Facility Coupling,”** Journal of Propulsion and Power, Volume 32, Number 4, July-August 2016, pp. 844-855.
20. Langendorf, S. J., Walker, M. L. R., **“Hysteresis and mode transitions in plasma sheath collapse due to secondary electron emission,”** Journal of Applied Physics, Volume 119, March 2016, pp. 113305 1-5.
21. Frieman, J. D., Walker, J., A., Khayms, V., King, D. Q., Walker, M. L. R., **“Electrical Facility Effects on Hall Effect Thruster Cathode Coupling – Performance and Plume Properties,”** Journal of Propulsion and Power, Volume 32, Number 1, January-February 2016, pp. 251-264.
22. Walker, J. A., Langendorf, S., Walker, M. L. R., Polzin, P., Kimberlin, **“Velocimetry of Cathode Particles in a Magnetoplasmadynamic Thruster Discharge Plasma,”** Review of Scientific Instruments, Volume 86, Number 7, July 2015, pp. 073513 1-10.
23. Williams, L. T., Walker, M. L. R., **“Plume Structure and Ion Acceleration of a Helicon Plasma Source,”** IEEE Transactions on Plasma Science, Volume 43, Number 5, May 2015, pp. 1694-1705.
24. Singh, L. A., Walker, M. L. R., **“A Review of Research in Low Earth Orbit Propellant Collection,”** Progress in Aerospace Sciences, Volume 75, April 2015, pp. 15-25.

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26. Schweigert, I., Langendorf, S., Walker, M. L. R., Keidar, M., **“Sheath Structure Transition Controlled by Secondary Electron Emission,”** Plasma Sources Science and Technology, Volume 24, Issue 2, February 2015, pp. 025012-9.
27. Langendorf, L., Xu, K., Walker, M. L. R., **“Effects of Wall Electrodes on Hall Effect Thruster Plasma,”** Physics of Plasmas, Volume 22, Number 2, February 2015, pp. 023508.
28. Singh, L. A., Sanborn, G., Turano, S., Walker, M. L. R., Ready, W. J., **“Operation of a Carbon Nanotube Field Emitter Array in a Hall Effect Thruster Plume Environment,”** IEEE Transactions on Plasma Science Special Issue - Plasma Propulsion, Volume 43, Issue 1, January 2015.
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31. Schinder, A., Walker, M. L. R., Rimoli, J., **“3D Model for Erosion of a Hall Effect Thruster Discharge Channel Wall,”** Journal of Propulsion and Power, Volume 30, Number 5, September-October 2014, pp. 1373-1382.
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39. Giannelli, S., Walker, M. L. R., Kieckhafer, A., **“Neutral Gas Expansion in a Cylindrical Helicon Discharge Chamber,”** Journal of Propulsion and Power, Volume 29, Number 3, May-June 2013, pp. 540-546.
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43. Walker, M. L. R., Russell, R. P., Singh, L. A., "**Utilization of Residual Helium to Extend Satellite Lifetimes and Mitigate Space Debris,**" Journal of Propulsion and Power, Volume 28, Number 6, November 2012.
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47. Xu, K., Walker, M. L. R., "**Technique to Collimate Ions in a Hall Effect Thruster Discharge Chamber,**" Journal of Propulsion and Power, Volume 27, Number 3, May-June 2011.
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49. Book, C., Walker, M. L. R., "**Effect of Anode Temperature on Hall Effect Thruster Performance,**" Journal of Propulsion and Power, Volume 26, Number 5, September-October 2010.
50. Kieckhafer, A. W., Walker, M. L. R., "**RF Power System for Thrust Measurements of a Helicon Plasma Source,**" Review of Scientific Instruments, Volume 81, Issue 7, July 2010.
51. Palmer, D. D., Walker, M. L. R., "**Operation of an Annular Helicon Plasma Source,**" Journal of Propulsion and Power, Volume 25, Number 5, September-October 2009.
52. Xu, K., Walker, M. L. R., "**High-Power, Null-Type, Inverted Pendulum Thrust Stand,**" Review of Scientific Instruments, Volume 80, Number 5, May 2009.
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56. Yano, M., Walker, M. L. R., "**Plasma Ionization by Annularly-Bounded Helicon Waves,**" Physics of Plasmas, Volume 13, Number 6, June 2006.
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3. Frieman, J. D., Liu, T. M., Walker, M. L. R., “**Development of Background Flow Model of Hall Thruster Neutral Ingestion**,” IEPC-2017-008, 35th International Electric Propulsion Conference, Atlanta, Georgia, October 8-12, 2017.
4. Jovel, D. R., Sforzo, B. A., Manion, K. L., Brown, N. P., Wang, X., Wu, D. J., Walker, M. L. R., Yang, V., “**Research Capabilities in Propulsion and Combustion Science at the Georgia Institute of Technology**,” AIAA/SAE/ASEE 53rd Joint Propulsion Conference, Atlanta, GA, July 10-12, 2017.
5. Cohen, M. B., Thompson, L., Opalinski, N., Singletary, P., Walker, M. L. R., Chan, C., Golkowski, M., “**Broadband Electrically Short Transmitters via Hi-Speed Time-Varying Antenna Properties**,” 2017 IEEE AP-S Symposium on Antennas and Propagation and USNC-URSI Radio Science Meeting, San Diego, CA, July 9-14, 2017.
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45. Williams, L., Walker, M. L. R., **“Experimental Characterization of a Carbon Nanotube Field Emission Cathode,”** AIAA-2008-5015, 44th Joint Propulsion Conference, Hartford, CT, July 20-23, 2008.

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48. Pavarin, D., Manente, M., Walker, M. L. R., Palmer, D., Carlsson, J., Bramanti, C., Saggin, B., **“Feasibility Study of a Medium-Power Helicon Thruster,”** AIAA-2008-4927, 44th Joint Propulsion Conference, Hartford, CT, July 20-23, 2008.
49. King, S. T., Walker, M. L. R., Kluever, C. A., **“Small Satellite LEO Maneuvers with Low-Power Electric Propulsion,”** AIAA-2008-4516, 44th Joint Propulsion Conference, Hartford, CT, July 20-23, 2008.
50. Palmer, D., Walker, M. L. R., Manente, M., Carlsson, J., Bramanti, C., Pavarin, D., **“Experimental Analysis of Low-Power Helicon Thruster,”** 5th International Spacecraft Propulsion Conference, Crete, Greece, May 5-9, 2008.
51. Manente, M., Walker, M. L. R., Carlsson, J., Bramanti, C., Pavarin, D., **“Feasibility Study of Low-Power Helicon Thruster,”** 5th International Spacecraft Propulsion Conference, Crete, Greece, May 5-9, 2008.
52. Palmer, D., Akinli, C., Walker, M. L. R., **“Characterization of an Annular Helicon Plasma Source,”** IEPC-2007-202, 30th International Electric Propulsion Conference, Florence, Italy, September 17-20, 2007.
53. Akinli, C., Palmer, D., Walker, M. L. R., **“Comparison of the Theoretical and Experimental Performance of an Annular Helicon Plasma Source,”** IEPC-2007-0236, 30th International Electric Propulsion Conference, Florence, Italy, September 17-20, 2007.
54. Stubbers, R., Jurczyk, B. E., Rovey, J. L., Walker, M. L. R., Alman, D. A., Coventry, M. D., **“Compact Toroid Formation Using an Annular Helicon Preionization Source,”** AIAA-2007-5307, 43rd Joint Propulsion Conference, Cincinnati, OH, July 8-11, 2007.
55. Yano, M., Williams, L., Walker, M. L. R. **“Design and Operation of an Annular Helicon Plasma Source,”** AIAA-2007-5309, 43rd Joint Propulsion Conference, Cincinnati, OH, July 8-11, 2007.
56. Gilland, J. H., Walker, M. L. R., Pencil, E. J., **“Thrust Stand for Applied Field MPD Thrusters,”** IEPC-2005-215, 29th International Electric Propulsion Conference, Princeton, NJ, Oct. 31-Nov. 4, 2005.
57. Walker, M. L. R., Gallimore, A. D., **“Performance Characteristics of a Cluster of 5 kW Laboratory Hall Thrusters,”** AIAA-2004-3767, 40th Joint Propulsion Conference, Fort Lauderdale, FL, July 11-14, 2004.
58. Rovey, J. L., Walker, M. L. R., Gallimore, A. D., Peterson, P. Y., **“Evaluation of a Magnetically-Filtered Faraday Probe for measuring the ion current density profile of a Hall thruster,”** AIAA-2004-3948, 40th Joint Propulsion Conference, Fort Lauderdale, FL, July 11-14, 2004.
59. Walker, M. L. R., Gallimore, A. D., **“Hot Flow Pressure Map of a Vacuum Facility as a Function of Flow Rate to Study Facility Effects,”** IEPC-0077-03, 28th International Electric Propulsion Conference, Toulouse, France, March 17-21, 2003.
60. Walker, M. L. R., Gallimore, A. D., Cai, C., Body, I. D., **“Pressure Map of a Facility as a Function of Flow Rate to Study Facility Effects,”** AIAA-2002-3815, 38th Joint Propulsion Conference, Indianapolis, IN, July 7-10, 2002.
61. Walker, M. L. R., Hofer, R. R., Gallimore, A. D., **“The Effects of Nude Faraday Probe Design and Vacuum Facility Backpressure on the Measured Ion Current Density Profile of Hall Thruster Plumes,”** AIAA-2002-4253, 38th Joint Propulsion Conference, Indianapolis, IN, July 7-10, 2002.

- Hofer, R. R., Walker, M. L. R., Gallimore, A. D., “**A Comparison of Nude and Collimated Faraday Probes for Use with Hall Thrusters,**” IEPC-01-020, 27th International Electric Propulsion Conference, Pasadena, CA, October 15-19, 2001.

Other Publications:

- National Research Council. *Reusable Booster System: Review and Assessment*. Washington, DC: The National Academies Press, 2012.
 Authors: D. M. Van Wie, E. H. Bock, Y. C. Brill, A. V. Burman, D. C. Byers, L. H. Caveny, R. S. Dickman, M. K. Jacobs, T. J. Lee, C. K. N. Patel, D. Roussel-Dupre, R. L. Sackheim, P. D. Spanos, M. L. R. Walker, B. T. Zinn
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- Palmer, D., Yano, M., Beal, B., Walker, M. L. R., “**Characterization of Annular and Cylindrical Helicon Sources,**” 9th International Workshop on the Interrelationship between Plasma Experiments in Laboratory and Space, Cairns, Australia, August 5-8, 2007.
- Walker, M. L. R., “**Electric Propulsion,**” *Aerospace America*, No. 12, December 15, 2005, pp. 54-55.

Invited Presentations:

- “Material Erosion in the Hall Effect Thruster,” University of Giessen, Germany, March 2, 2017. – Invited.
- “Activities in Electric Propulsion,” DLR, Gottingen, Germany, February 28, 2017. – Invited.
- “Unique Applications of Electric Propulsion,” 18th Brazilian Colloquium of Orbital Dynamics, Aguas de Lindoia, Brazil, December 1, 2016. – Invited.
- “Enjoy the Journey,” National Youth Leadership Forum: Engineering & Technology, Atlanta, GA, July 7, 2016. – Invited.
- “Material Erosion in the Hall Effect Thruster,” California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA, December 4, 2015. – Invited.
- Panel Member - Electric Propulsion Technology Specialist: “Space Propulsion,” 66th International Astronautics Congress, Jerusalem, Israel, October 12-16, 2015. – Invited.
- “Government Investments Enabling Advancement of In-Space Propulsion,” Panel Moderator of Forum 360 Session at the 51st AIAA/ASME/SAE/ASEE Joint Propulsion Conference, Orlando, FL, July 27, 2015 – Invited.
http://www.aiaa-propulsionenergy.org/GovtInvestments_PE2015/
- “Satellite Insurance Providers Discuss - Risk Management for Electric Propulsion,” Panel Moderator at 2015 International Electric Propulsion Conference, Kobe City, Japan, July 8, 2015 – Invited.
- “Discharge Channel Erosion in the Hall Effect Thruster,” Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, NW, May 26, 2015. – Invited.
- “Material Erosion in the Hall Effect Thruster” Exponent, Menlo Park, CA, December 9, 2014. – Invited.
- “Why is EP Game Changing,” Panel Moderator at 2013 International Electric Propulsion Conference, George Washington University, Washington, D.C., October 8, 2013. – Invited.
- “Electric Propulsion Facility Design,” SpaceX, Hawthorne, CA January 2013.
- “Center of Excellence for Space Propulsion,” Mr. Scott Correll, PEO Air Force Space Launch, Chantilly, VA May 2012. – Invited.
- “Overview of Electric Propulsion Activities in Academia,” JANNAF Meeting, Huntsville, AL, December 5, 2011. – Invited.
- Walker, M. L. R., “Georgia Tech Research Activities,” National Institute for Rocket Propulsion Systems, University of Alabama-Huntsville/NASA Marshall Space Flight Center, October 14, 2011 – Invited.
- Walker, M. L. R., “Hall Effect Thrusters,” Lockheed Martin, April 14, 2011 – Invited.
- Walker, M. L. R., “High Thrust-to-Power Hall Thrusters,” Purdue University, April 7, 2008 – Invited.
- Walker, M. L. R., “High Thrust-to-Power Hall Thrusters,” Virginia Tech, February 25, 2008 – Invited.
- Sharma, J., Walker, M. L. R., “START: Utilizing Near-Earth Asteroids with Tether Technologies,” NASA Institute of Advanced Concepts, Atlanta, GA, March 7, 2007.
- “Electric Propulsion Research Activities at the University of Michigan” at the University of Pisa, Sept. 2003.

Courses Taught:

Low-speed Aerodynamics (AE 2020)
Experimental Fluid Dynamics (AE2610, AE 3610)
Thermodynamics and Compressible Flow (AE 3450)
Technical Writing (AE2611)
Jet and Rocket Propulsion (AE 4451)
High-Temperature Gasdynamics (AE 6050)
Rockets (AE 6450)
Electric Propulsion (AE 6451)

Teaching Interests:

Aerospace Propulsion, Gas Dynamics, Plasma Physics, Viscous Flows, Low-speed Aerodynamics

Awards & Honors:

- Georgia Power Professor of Excellence Award, Georgia Institute of Technology, 2017
- Provost's Emerging Leadership Program, Georgia Institute of Technology, 2017
- Selected for the National Academies of Science, Engineering and Medicine's Symposium on Exploring a New Vision for Center-Based, Multidisciplinary Engineering Research, 2016
- Invited to serve on the National Academy of Engineering Frontiers of Engineering Symposium Organizing Committee, Co-organizer for session "Engineering the Search for Earth-like Exoplanets," 2015
- Selected for the National Academy of Engineering US Frontiers of Engineering Symposium, 2014
- NASA Marshall Space Flight Center – Reverse Mentoring Program, 2013
- AIAA Associate Fellow, 2011
- AIAA Lawrence Sperry Award, 2010
- Air Force Office of Scientific Research Young Investigator Program Award, 2006
- NASA Faculty Fellow, 2005
- Class of 1969 Teaching Fellow, 2005
- Who's Who in Engineering Education, 2005
- Arnold M. Kuethe Aerospace Engineering Fellowship, 2004
- MEPO Academic Achievement Award, University of Michigan, 2001
- Michigan Space Grant Consortium Graduate Fellowship, 2001, 2003
- Rackham Merit Fellowship, University of Michigan (NSF sponsored), 2000
- GEM Fellowship, 1999
- Aerospace Engineering Distinguished Achievement Award, University of Michigan, 1998

Professional Society Membership:

- Editorial Board – Frontiers in Physics and Astronomy and Space Sciences – Plasma Physics
- Associate Editor – AIAA Journal of Spacecraft and Rockets
- AIAA Associate Fellow, Vice Chair - Electric Propulsion Technical Committee
- Electric Rocket Propulsion Society – Board Member
- American Society for Engineering Education (ASEE)
- American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME)
- Hydraulic Institute – Rotodynamic Design & Application Committee

Professional Society/Conference Service:

ASME

- Track Co-chair: Heat Transfer and Thermal Engineering, 2014 International Mechanical Engineering Congress & Exposition

APS

- Program Committee, 58th Annual Meeting of the APS Division of Plasma Physics, San Jose, CA, October 31 – November 4, 2016.
- Local Coordinator, 57th Annual Meeting of the APS Division of Plasma Physics, Savannah, GA, November 16-20, 2015.

American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA)

- Chair – Electric Propulsion Technical Committee, Term begins 2018
- Wyld Award Selection Committee, 2015 - Present
- Vice Chair – Electric Propulsion Technical Committee, 2015-2017
- Electric Propulsion Test and Measurement Standards Committee, 2012-Present
- Subcommittee for Best Paper in Electric Propulsion Award, 2010, 2012, 2013
- Chair of Subcommittee for Technical Achievement Award, 2010
- Young Professional Committee - Subcommittee for Honors and Awards, 2010
- Subcommittee for Technical Achievement Award, 2009
- Subcommittee for Best Paper in Electric Propulsion Award, 2009
- Subcommittee for Best Paper in Electric Propulsion Award, 2008
- Wrote Review of Electric Propulsion Activity for *Aerospace America*, 2005

Department of Energy

- Fusion Energy Sciences Advisory Committee, 2017-Present

NASA

- NASA Asteroid Retrieval Mission Solar Electric Propulsion Analysis of Alternatives, 2013
- NASA International Space Station Electric Propulsion Testbed Study Committee, 2011

Other

- General Chair, 35th International Electric Propulsion Conference (IEPC), Atlanta, GA, October 2017.
- Electric Propulsion Operation in the Space Environment Working Group, 2015 – Present
- International Electric Propulsion Conference – Technical Committee, 2013, 2015
- NRC ASEB Air Force Reusable Booster System Study, 2011-2012
- National Institute for Rocket Propulsion Systems, Solutions Provider Committee, 2011-Present

Honor Societies:

- Tau Beta Pi
- Sigma Gamma Tau
- Golden Key National Honor Society
- Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society
- Kappa Kappa Psi (Honorary Music Fraternity)

Other Interests:

- R/C airplane design and construction, Rebuild 2 & 4 cycle engines, Teaching instrumental music