

PREFACE

The “Profiles of Doctorate Dissertations” is prepared by the College of Graduate Studies in the Division of Research and Graduate Studies at the United Arab Emirates University (UAEU). The purpose of this publication is to highlight the research accomplishments of UAEU's Doctorate students who have successfully defended their dissertations and graduated from their program.

This 2014-2015 inaugural issue features the second class of graduates of the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) program. The profiles of twenty (20) PhD graduates are featured in this issue, and are ordered chronologically based on the dissertation defense date. Each profile includes a brief introductory information of the student, an abstract of the student's dissertation, a brief statement on the research relevance and potential impact, a list of the main publications resulted from the research, and the student's career aspirations. The information included in these profiles was provided by the students or their faculty advisors.

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