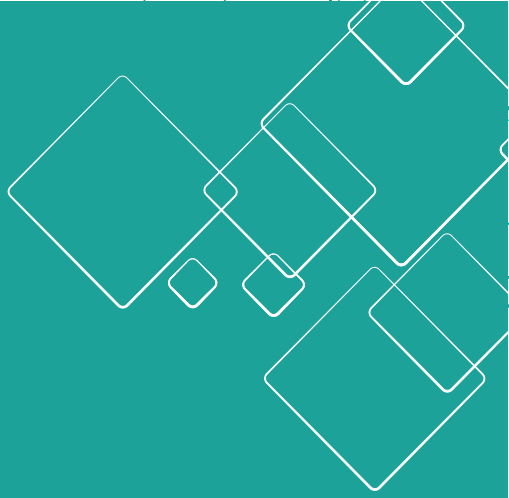




PREFACE

The “Profiles of Doctorate Dissertations” publication is prepared annually by the College of 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.

This 2016-2017 issue features the fourth class of graduates of the Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) program and the second class of graduates of the Doctorate of Business Administration (DBA) program. It includes the profiles of 13 PhD students and 9 DBA students, which are ordered chronologically based on their dissertation defense dates. Each profile consists of 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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