

Amir Khajepour

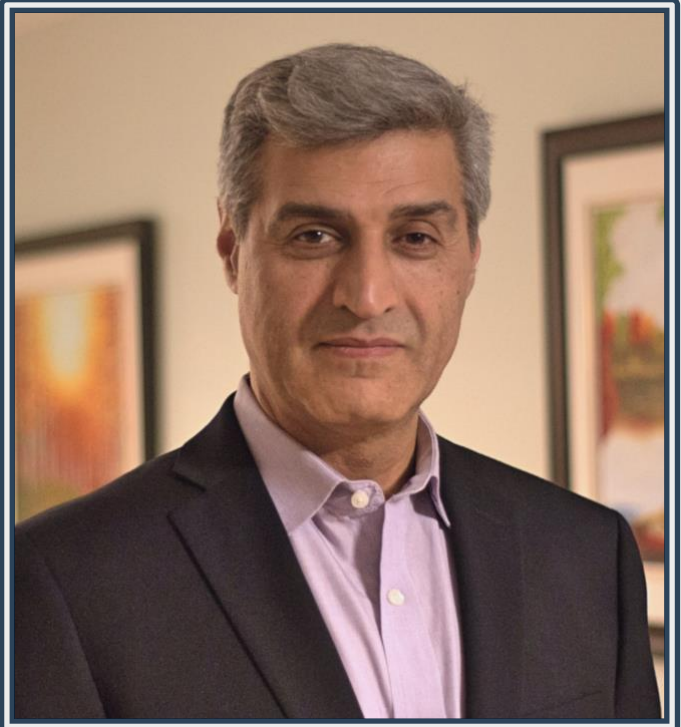
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Amir Khajepour is an outstanding graduate student mentor. A Professor in the Department of Mechanical and Mechatronics Engineering at the University of Waterloo, he has supervised 71 master's students, 58 doctoral students, and 39 postdoctoral fellows, many of whom have taken up leadership roles in industry and academia.

Dr. Khajepour is known for inspiring his graduate students to become global leaders in the creation, dissemination and implementation of new knowledge. He integrates students into the culture of their discipline and helps them network with relevant individuals in their field. His current and former students benefit from collaborative projects with international experts, which expand their professional networks and enrich the quality of their research. Of Dr. Khajepour's over 200 refereed journal articles, almost all have been co-published with his graduate students.

"Dr. Khajepour is someone who shows ultimate devotion and determination to his students," writes a former graduate. In the classroom and lab, he promotes an atmosphere of collegiality and collaboration. He respects students' independence in conducting their research, while also providing a space in which they can develop problem solving, teamwork, and leadership skills. "What impresses me most about my time with Dr. Khajepour was his commitment to my welfare," reflects a former doctoral student. "His professionalism and generosity provided a role model for how to interact with colleagues."



Amir Khajepour is a Professor in the Department of Mechanical and Mechatronics Engineering at the University of Waterloo. He holds the Tier 1 Canada Research Chair in Mechatronic Vehicle Systems, and Senior NSERC/General Motors Industrial Research Chair in Holistic Vehicle Control. He is a Fellow of the Engineering Institute of Canada, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, and the Canadian Society of Mechanical Engineering.

