
March 31, 2023

Dr. Francis Degnin, Faculty Senate Chair
University of Northern Iowa
Cedar Falls, IA 50614

Dear Faculty Senate Chair,

I support Dr. Ali Kashef's application for Emeritus status in the Department of Applied Engineering & Technical Management at the University of Northern Iowa (UNI). Ali has served UNI as a faculty member since August of 1992. He has earned tenure and promotions to associated professor and full professor. Ali has played many roles while at UNI below lists a few of those roles that have served the faculty within the department, the manufacturing engineering technology and technology management students and the Iowa manufacturing industry.

- served as a member of the University Senate;
- served as a member of the CNS & CHAS Senates;
- served as a member of the University Undergraduate Student Academic Appeals Board;
- served as a member of the Committee on Admission, Readmission and Retention (CARR) committee;
- served the department as the coordinator of the Technology Management program;
- served the department as Graduate program coordinator for two terms;
- served the department on various committees: scholarship, assessment & continuous improvement;
- served as advisor/co-advisor/member of many doctoral and master students;
- initiated several programs for the Study Abroad Office;
- served the industry on various conference planning committees, publication reviews, conference presentations, etc.

In addition to service and representing the department and programs Dr. Kashef has multiple publications, national and international presentations, and a multitude of conference papers and presentations as well as 10 technical book reviews.

Ali has been a colleague to generations of faculty members in the department.

Respectfully,

Lisa A. Riedle, P.E. PhD, Head
Applied Engineering & Technical Management