

Robson Forensic

Engineers, Architects, Scientists & Fire Investigators

KEVIN A. RIDER, PH.D., PE, CPE Human Factors Engineer

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2010 to **Robson Forensic, Inc.**

present *Associate*

Provide technical investigations, analysis, reports, and testimony toward the resolution of commercial and personal injury litigation involving human factors/ergonomics, workplace safety, slips, trips, falls, visibility, perception, driver attention/distraction, and the adequacy of product warnings and instructions.

2006 to **West Virginia University**, Morgantown, WV

2011 *Assistant Professor*

- Developed interdepartmental research collaborations to investigate cognitive and physical aspects of whole-body human movements.
- Program Director – NIOSH grant for Occupational Safety/Health Engineering.
- Taught Industrial Engineering and Safety Management courses.
- Advised Masters and Doctoral-level graduate students.
- Faculty advisor for Alpha Pi Mu (Industrial Engineering Honor Society).
- Reviewed technical manuscripts for professional conferences and journals.

2002 to **United States Postal Service (USPS)**, Merrifield, VA

2004 *Ergonomics Consultant*

- Used digital human modeling methods to investigate manual material handling tasks within USPS.
- Performed statistical analyses and developed linear regression models for prediction of injury rates.
- Consulted in development of the corporate ergonomics training program implemented nationally.

1999 to **Design Systems, Inc.**, Farmington Hills, MI

2002 *Ergonomics and Simulation Consultant*

- Designed and conducted experiments using 3D motion capture and digital human modeling for ergonomic analyses of whole-body movements.
- Developed and validated discrete-event simulation models of automotive assembly plants.
- Served as principal liaison and point-of-contact for customers.
- Planned and conducted individual and collaborative research experiments.

PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS

Professional Engineer: West Virginia
Certified Professional Ergonomist
Authorized OSHA Instructor – General Industry
Authorized OSHA Instructor – Construction

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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Industrial & Operations Engineering (Human Factor/Ergonomics, Biomechanics), University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, 2006

M.S., Industrial Engineering (Human Factors/Ergonomics, Manufacturing) University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN, 2000

B.S., Industrial Engineering, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN, 1998

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying
Board of Certified Professional Ergonomists
Human Factors and Ergonomics Society
American Society of Safety Engineers
American Society of Biomechanics
Society of Automotive Engineers
Society for Neuroscience

INSTRUCTION

Courses Taught

IENG 660 Human Factors Systems Design
IENG 564 Industrial Ergonomics
SAFM 502 Controlling Environmental and Personnel Hazards
SAFM 528 Economic Aspects of Safety
Lectures in Safety Compliance, Safety and Health Training, and others
Invited instructor for Ergonomics Short Course – OSHA 2250

Graduate Student Research

Han Modeling of block lifting tasks on biomechanical stresses to masons
Heath Effects of cell phone experience and type on driving performance
Malik Proposed hazard communication for communities affected by oil/gas pipeline industry
Nave Effects of perceived trust in automation in high-stress decision making
Sudhoff Cognitive distractions associated with cell phone use while driving
Wolbert Intrusion effects on whole body lifting and fatigue

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PUBLICATIONS

Rider K, Chaffin D, Martin B. (2007) "Development of Active Human Response Model to Ride Motion," *SAE Transactions – Journal of Passenger Cars*, V115-7: 1131-1137.

Rider K. (2006) "Effects of ride motion perturbation on the speed and accuracy of in-vehicle pointing tasks," PhD Dissertation, University of Michigan.

Rider K. (2006) "Development of active human response model to ride motion", SAE Digital Human Modeling Conference and Exposition, Lyon, France.

Rider K, Martin B. (2005) "Effects of ride motion on the speed and accuracy of in-vehicle pointing tasks," 49th Annual Meeting of the Human Factors and Ergonomics Society, Orlando, FL.

McDowell K, Rider K, Truong N, Paul V. (2005) "Effects of Ride Motion on Reaction Times for Reaching Tasks," *SAE Transactions: Journal of Commercial Vehicles (SP-1962)*. SAE International, Warrendale, PA.

Rider K, Chaffin D, Nebel K, Mikol K. (2004) "Modeling In-Vehicle Reaches Perturbed by Ride Motion," *SAE Transactions: Journal of Aerospace* 113(1): 193-198.

Rider K, Chaffin D, Foulke J, Nebel K. (2004) "Analysis and Redesign of Battery Handling using Jack™ and HUMOSIM motions," *SAE Transactions: Journal of Materials and Manufacturing* 113(5): 824-828.

Dickerson C, Rider K, Chaffin D. (2004) "Merging Biomechanical Models of the Shoulder with Digital Human Modeling," 2004-01-2166. SAE International, Warrendale, PA.

Rider K, Park W, Chaffin D, Reed M. (2003) "Redesigning Workstation Utilizing Motion Modification Algorithm," 2003-01-2195. SAE International, Warrendale, PA.

Rider K, Chaffin D, Nebel K, Mikol K, Reed M. (2003) "A pilot study of the effects of vertical ride motion on reach kinematics," *SAE Transactions: Journal of Passenger Cars – Mechanical Systems* 112(6): 719-725.

PRESENTATIONS

"Case Study Approach to Forensic Litigation Support," Columbus Bar Association, December 2011

Rider K. (2009) "Ergonomics and MSDs in the workplace", OSHA 2250 Short Course, Morgantown, WV.

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Rider K. (2008) "Inattention blindness caused by processing conflict within the visual cortex", 38th Annual Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience, Washington, D.C.

Sudhoff M, Rider K. (2007) "Conflict of visual imagery generated during cell phone use while driving" 37th Annual Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience, San Diego, CA.

Rider K, Martin B. (2006) "Ride motion effects on the accuracy of rapid pointing tasks," 1st American Conference on Human Vibration, Morgantown, West Virginia.

Rider K, Martin B. (2005) "Feedback control of in-vehicle pointing tasks perturbed by ride motion," 35th Annual Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience, Washington, D.C.

Rider K. (2005) "Preview Control Model of Reaching Tasks Under Ride Motion," 15th Semi-annual HUMOSIM Partners' Meeting, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Rider K. (2004) "Motion effects on Operator Pointing Tasks," 14th Semi-annual HUMOSIM Partners' Meeting, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Rider K. (2004) "Evaluating human in-vehicle reach performance when perturbed by ride motion," 13th Semi-annual HUMOSIM Partners' Meeting, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Rider K, Chaffin DB. (2003) "Use of digital human modeling to evaluate vehicle maintenance," 12th Semi-annual HUMOSIM Partners' Meeting, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Rider K, Chaffin DB. (2003) "Vehicle ride motion effects on reach performance," 12th Semi-annual HUMOSIM Partners' Meeting, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

PAST RESEARCH SUPPORT

National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

Advanced Biomechanical and Cardiopulmonary Assessment Suit (ABACAS) Program

Investigate the necessary cardiopulmonary and physiological requirements of a self-contained data acquisition suit, by which desired metrics (i.e. biomechanical, physiological) can be unobtrusively obtained and recorded for subsequent processing and analysis. Role: Co-Investigator. Funded: \$427,439

National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

NIOSH Training Program Grant

Graduate student training program with emphasis on occupational safety and health engineering, where trainees learn essential knowledge and skills across a broad range of occupational safety topics, and use engineering, scientific, and analytical methods to identify occupational hazards, to understand failure modes and effects, to engineer out such hazards, to implement administrative controls, and to use experimental, simulation and engineering models to develop, test and evaluate designs. Role: Program Director. Funded: \$1,500,000 (KR: \$250,000)