

INVOLVEMENT WITH UNIVERSITIES FOR THE DOCTORATE AT INTELLIGENT SYSTEMS

Since the Evaluation Committee of the Doctorate Project of each student requires the involvement of, at least, two external researchers, it is conducive to have co-chairs and evaluators of the doctoral thesis. This enriches enormously the work of the student.

There is a scheme for "**Professional Development**" of Faculty which consists in a period for professional development of faculty as a visiting researchers and/or professors in a different institution, with salary, to conduct research up to 6 months. Each researcher can submit his/her application along with a detailed project plan, letters of acceptance or invitation from another institution, etc. The application is evaluated by the Chair of the Department of Computer Science, Electronics and Mechatronics, Dean of the School of Engineering, Academic Vice-Chancellor of the University, who decide to grant permits to those who meet the requirements. During the 2012-2017 period, seven of the 12 participating professors carried out stays as visiting Professors and Researchers as part of their professional development in foreign universities and companies:

Dr. Roberto Rosas-Romero conducted a stay as visiting professor in Department of Diagnostic Radiology, **Yale University** (New Haven, Connecticut, E. U. A.), from 1 January to 31 July **2012**. This stay was financed with the resources of a Fulbright scholarship.

Dr. Jorge Rodríguez-Asomoza was visiting scholar of the Microstructured Fibers and Devices Laboratory at **University of Central Florida** (Orlando, Florida, E. U. A.) from 1 January to 30 June **2015**.

Dr. Gibrán Etcheverry-Doger participated as external researcher and visiting professor at **General Electric Infrastructure Queretaro** (Queretaro, Queretaro, Mexico) from 1 June to 31 July **2015**.

Dr. Vicente Alarcón-Aquino conducted a research stay at **King's College London** (London, United Kingdom) from June 18 to July 2, **2017**, as part of a project of mobility between universities in Mexico and the United Kingdom.

Dr. Roberto Rosas-Romero conducted a stay as visiting researcher at **Université de Montreal** (Montreal, Canada) from 15 to 23 April **2017**, through financing of a disabled Mexico-Québec project.

Dr. Roberto Rosas-Romero conducted a stay as visiting researcher at **University College London** (London, United Kingdom) and at **Durham University** (Durham, United Kingdom) from June 17 to June 30 of the **2018**.