

Vita

Chittiappa Muthanna

Chittiappa , a proud kodava, was born on New Years Day, 1975 in Bangalore, India. For the next 10 years of his life, he lived in both Florida and India, before his parents decided that it was time for an African adventure, and moved to Zambia. After finishing his high school at the International School of Lusaka in 1991, he decided to come to the land of the Hokie in Blacksburg, Virginia in 1992. After completion of his B.S in Aerospace Engineering in 1996, he then proceeded to get his M.S in 1998 in Aerospace Engineering from Virginia Tech. While at Tech, besides devoting his hours to his research, he also taught a class, and served in student government as the president of the Council of International Student Organizations. Finally, in August of 2002, 10 years after he came to Virginia Tech, Chittiappa obtained his doctorate in Aerospace Engineering. He is now pursuing post-doctoral research at the Laboratory for Aero and Hydrodynamics at the Delft University of Technology in the Netherlands.