



Re: ETD need correction

From Alsardi, Abdelrahman Munther Kh <alsardi@vt.edu>

Date Tue 12/23/2025 10:50 AM

To Saidy, Raihana <raihana23@vt.edu>

Cc Wright, Priscilla <pkwright@vt.edu>

 4 attachments (789 KB)

Figure1c.pdf; Figure1d.pdf; Figure1a_1.pdf; Figure1a_2.pdf;

Hi Raihana,

I just wanted to follow up with pdf copies of the forwarded emails. These all involve correspondence with the authors. Thank you.

-Abdel

From: Alsardi, Abdelrahman Munther Kh

Sent: Tuesday, December 23, 2025 9:51 AM

To: Saidy, Raihana <raihana23@vt.edu>

Cc: Wright, Priscilla <pkwright@vt.edu>

Subject: Re: ETD need correction

Hi Raihana,

I forwarded two email threads to you that indicate permission to use the photos. Note Figure 1(a) was given to me by the authors a few years ago and I was granted verbal permission to use at the time.

Thank you.

-Abdel

On Dec 23, 2025, at 9:44 AM, Saidy, Raihana <raihana23@vt.edu> wrote:

Hi Abdelrahman,

Thanks for your cooperation. Could you please provide a copy of the permission you received.

Thanks,

Raihana Saidy

Admissions and Academic Progress Advisor

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From: Alsardi, Abdelrahman Munther Kh <alsardi@vt.edu>

Sent: Monday, December 22, 2025 9:32 PM

To: Saidy, Raihana <raihana23@vt.edu>

Cc: Wright, Priscilla <pkwright@vt.edu>

Subject: Re: ETD need correction

Hi Raihana,

I received permission for the use of the 4 photos in my ETD. I contacted each of the authors. Specifically,

- Figure 1(a) was provided by the authors of the conference paper and they stated that they are happy for me to include it. Dr. Xavier Vera took this photo and he granted his permission.
- I contacted GeologyIn.com for Figure 1(b) and they stated that it is under Creative Commons (CC) license. They stated that they are okay with me using it in the ETD.

- I contacted Deseret News for permission to use Figure 1(c) in my ETD. Permission was granted.
- I contacted John Madonna for permission to use Figure 1(d) in my ETD. Permission was granted.

The figure caption was modified to include: " Permission was granted from each author for the use of these photos in this dissertation."

The program title was also modified to 'Civil Engineering'.

Please let me know if there is anything else needing modification.

Thank you,
Abdelrahman Alsardi

From: Saidy, Raihana <raihana23@vt.edu>
Sent: Monday, December 22, 2025 1:32 PM
To: Alsardi, Abdelrahman Munther Kh <alsardi@vt.edu>
Cc: Wright, Priscilla <pkwright@vt.edu>
Subject: Re: ETD need correction

You can submit the permission to us by 5th January.

Thanks,

Raihana Saidy

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From: Alsardi, Abdelrahman Munther Kh <alsardi@vt.edu>
Sent: Monday, December 22, 2025 1:28 PM
To: Saidy, Raihana <raihana23@vt.edu>
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Subject: Re: ETD need correction

Hi Raihana,

Thank you for the feedback. I realized that I still need permission for 2 of the photos (c,d) in Figure 1. I am working to request this permission to use now. Is there a specific deadline to get this back to you?

I am working to get it to you asap, but if the deadline is tight I can replace the photos with ones with ones that are free to use under CC license. Let me know what you prefer.

Thanks,
Abdel

On Dec 22, 2025, at 12:33 PM, Saidy, Raihana <raihana23@vt.edu> wrote:

Hi Abdelrahman,

I am reviewing your ETD and I noticed that on your ETD you have entered the department but we only need the program name. So in stead of Civial and Environmental Engineering it shoud be Civil Engineering.

On page 2, I see that you have used images. Please confirm if they are your own creation. If they are someone else's creation, you will need to provide permission from that person that you can use them in your ETD.

Feel free to reach out to us if you have questions.

Thanks,

Raihana Saidy

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12/23/25, 11:53 AM

Mail - Saidy, Raihana - Outlook

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Fwd: Permission to use photo in graduate thesis

From Alsardi, Abdelrahman Munther Kh <alsardi@vt.edu>
Date Tue 12/23/2025 9:47 AM
To Saidy, Raihana <raihana23@vt.edu>
Cc Wright, Priscilla <pkwright@vt.edu>

Hi Raihana,

Please find approval from Mr. John Madonna.

-Abdel

Begin forwarded message:

From: John Madonna <John@jmadonna.com>
Date: December 22, 2025 at 5:48:47 PM EST
To: "Alsardi, Abdelrahman Munther Kh" <alsardi@vt.edu>
Subject: RE: Permission to use photo in graduate thesis

You may use this photo as described.

John Madonna, CEO



P.O. Box 5310
San Luis Obispo, CA 93403

805-543-7751

From: Alsardi, Abdelrahman Munther Kh <alsardi@vt.edu>

Sent: Monday, December 22, 2025 10:56 AM

To: John Madonna <John@jmadonna.com>

Subject: Permission to use photo in graduate thesis

Hi Mr. John Madonna,

I hope this email finds you well. I am a graduate student at Virginia Tech and I am wanting to use your photo in this news article as a motivation for my thesis:



[Big Sur landslide highlights earthquake
vulnerability of magnificent California coast
temblor.net](#)

I will be using it only in the introduction to highlight the large landslide runout due to earthquakes. I will gain nothing financially for the use of this photo and all the credit for this photo will be given to you. The photo will only be used one time for academic purposes in my thesis.

I am happy to share my thesis if that helps. Thank you.

-Abdel



Fwd: PhotoReprints Permission to use photo in graduate thesis document

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From: Chuck Wing <cwing@deseret.com>

Date: December 22, 2025 at 4:16:28 PM EST

To: "Alsardi, Abdelrahman Munther Kh" <alsardi@vt.edu>

Cc: PhotoEditor <photoeditor@deseretnews.com>

Subject: Re: PhotoReprints Permission to use photo in graduate thesis document

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Hi Chuck,

Thanks for your kind reply. This will only be used for my thesis which will be freely available from the Virginia Tech library for academic purposes.

It will not be sold nor will we gain any financial income from the thesis. I only ask for permission for one time use in the introduction chapter of my thesis. All credit will be given to you for the photo.

Thank you,
Abdel

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Hi Abdelrahman Munther Kh

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article: <https://www.nature.com/articles/505264a.pdf>

I am attaching a screenshot shot below for reference. It is the photo depicting landslide triggered earthquakes. I will certainly credit you for the photo.

<image0.jpeg>

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