

2024-2025 Academic year

Prof., Dr. Kiran Sood



Dr. Kiran Sood is a Professor at Chitkara Business School, Chitkara University, Punjab, India. She completed her Post-Doctorate at the University of Uşak, Faculty of Applied Sciences, Department of Finance and Banking, Turkey. She also serves as an Affiliate Professor in the Department of Insurance and Risk Management at the University of Malta and holds the esteemed position of Research Fellow at the Women Researchers Council, Azerbaijan State University of Economics (UNEC).

Further expanding her international academic portfolio, Dr. Sood has been invited to deliver a 9-day teaching module on Forensic Accounting at a Summer School in Kosovo, scheduled from late July to August 2024. This opportunity highlights her growing global engagement and recognised expertise in finance and accounting.

Dr. Sood is engaged in teaching at UNEC Business School as part of the Spring Semester MBA Executive Program. She has delivered: “Debt Securities” and “Corporate Finance”.

Associate Prof., Dr. Krishanthi (Krish) Vithana



Dr Krishanthi (Krish) Vithana is an Associate Professor in Accounting in Southampton Business School at the University of Southampton. Krish completed her Doctoral studies in Durham University Business School and Joined Southampton Business school in 2015. Her focus of research is Accounting for Human capital resource in organizational context. She also research in areas including accountability in relation to environmental social and governance performance and disclosure, market-based valuations on ESG and sustainability, transition from coal to clean energy, and the Real living wage. She has published her research in esteemed academic journals including: Journal of Business Ethics, The British Accounting Review, Accounting Forum, and The International Journal of Human Resource Management. Krish has been the principal investigator for the ESRC IAA funded

research projects entitled “Investment case on real living wage accreditation” and “Incorporating the broad ESG agenda in investment analysis: case of climate related engagement”. Krish has actively engaged with industry partners including the Global Responsible Investment team of Aviva Investors, Living Wage Foundation, Platform Living wage financials, and International Labour Organisation (ILO).

Dr. Krishanthi is engaged in teaching at UNEC Business School as part of the Spring Semester MBA Program. She has delivered: Management Accounting.

Associate Prof. Dr. Debarati Dey Roy



Dr. Debarati Dey Roy graduated in Electronics and Communication Engineering from the National Institute of Technology, Durgapur, India. She obtained her M. Tech degree in VLSI Design from the University of Calcutta. She completed her Ph. D in Technology from Maulana Abul Kalam Azad University of Technology, Kolkata. She is associated with Applied Artificial Intelligence Research Centre, Azerbaijan State University of Economics (UNEC), Azerbaijan. She is the faculty member of B. P. Poddar Institute of Management & Technology, India since 2005. She is the visiting professor at UNEC Business School, Baku, Azerbaijan for fall semester. She taught Artificial Intelligence, Internet of Things and Software Architecture for 1st year and 2nd year MBA students of UNEC. She is fellow of IETE, Delhi and International Association of Engineers, Hong Kong. Her current research interest span around the

study of applied artificial intelligence for quantum computing. She has more than 60 publications in Science Citation Indexed International Journals, Scopus indexed conference proceedings, book chapters of reputed publishers like IEEE, Springer, Elsevier, IET, to name a few. She has also granted UK design patent. She is the editor of Scopus indexed journal. She is the recipient of Research Excellence Award in B. P. Poddar Institute of Management & Technology, Kolkata for two consecutive years (2015-2016 & 2017-2018). She is awarded with Teachers' Excellence Award by Shikshak Kalyan Foundation in association with AICTE, Delhi, India in the year 2021. She is the recipient of Research Excellence Award and Most Promising Academician Award from Nikhil Bharti Shiksha Parishad in the year 2021.

She is Intelligence Research Centre at UNEC Business School, Azerbaijan State University of Economics (UNEC), She delivered courses: "Internet of Things (IoT)", "Software architecture" and "Fundamentals of artificial intelligence".