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The Faculty of Information at the University of Toronto offers fully funded PhD student positions to study with Prof. **Safwat Hassan** in the areas of *using Generative and Explainable Artificial Intelligence (AI) for Information Systems Maintenance and Design, Foundation Models (FMs) (e.g., Large Language Models (LLMs)) for Software Engineering (FM4SE), Information Systems Analytics, Mining Software Repositories (MSR), DevOps, AIOps, Requirements Engineering* and related areas. We are looking for outstanding students from all over the world to join our diverse network of passionate scholars in Toronto. The Faculty of Information has a unique, vibrant PhD program that studies the intersection of information, technology, people, and communities.

Prof. Hassan worked as a software engineer for ten years at the Egyptian Space Agency, Hewlett-Packard (HP), Vodafone Germany, and Etisalat. During this period, he worked on different ultra-large-scale systems (ULSS) across multiple domains, including telecommunications and aerospace. Prof. Hassan and his students publish in top venues in software engineering (e.g., TSE, EMSE, and TOSEM). National and international grants (e.g., NSERC and Mitacs) fund Prof. Hassan's work.

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