

Kansas State University
College of Engineering
Department of Civil Engineering
Manhattan, Kansas
Web Site: <http://www.ce.ksu.edu/>

The College of Engineering at Kansas State University (K-State) invites nominations and applications for the position of Head of the Department of Civil Engineering. The College seeks an individual with the innovative leadership skills needed to strengthen successful instructional, research, and outreach programs in the department. The new head will lead the department as it increases the number of graduating students, expands its facilities, and hires new faculty. The successful candidate will have credentials of the highest quality including a strong record of scholarly and professional accomplishments, a distinguished scholarly reputation in the engineering community, and excellent interpersonal skills. An earned doctorate in Civil Engineering or a closely related field is required.

The Department of Civil Engineering at Kansas State University has a rich tradition of teaching excellence coupled with interdisciplinary research. CE offers an ABET accredited BS degree, plus outstanding MS and PhD programs. The department currently has 14 faculty, 300 undergraduate, 49 MS, and 22 PhD students. Established programs of study and research include environmental engineering, geotechnical engineering, structural engineering, transportation/materials engineering, and water resources engineering. These activities are supported through the department's University Transportation Center, Civil Infrastructure Systems Laboratory, and university-wide water resources program with international collaborators. Annual extramural research expenditures exceed \$2.5 M.

The department plays an integral role in K-State's College of Engineering, which is the largest and most comprehensive engineering college in the state with a diverse body of approximately 3300 undergraduates and 450 graduate students (<http://www.engg.ksu.edu>). The college is expanding through the *University Engineering Initiative Act*, which supports increasing the number of graduating students, improving facilities, and adding new faculty.

K-State is a land grant institution and designated as a Carnegie Doctoral/Research-Intensive Institution. Its visionary plan, *K-State 2025*, targets national recognition as a top 50 public research university. It is the future home of the Department of Homeland Security's National Bio- and Agro-defense Facility (NBAF), the nation's premier facility for studying animal diseases that threaten U.S. agriculture and public health.

Kansas State University is located in Manhattan, a progressive and safe community located in the scenic Flint Hills of Northeast Kansas (see <http://www.manhattan.org>). Forbes magazine ranked Manhattan third in its listing of best small places for business and careers. It also features excellent housing, outstanding schools, excellent parks and recreation facilities, a wide variety of shopping and dining establishments, and short commute times.

The Department Head reports to the Dean of the College, and is responsible for the administration of all programs and budgets of the department. Duties include working with faculty, staff, and students to deliver outstanding undergraduate and graduate programs and fostering research efforts of the highest quality, and maintaining productive relationships and development activities with alumni, external businesses and government agencies.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS: •A strong record of teaching, research, service and proven leadership and administrative abilities •Exceptional interpersonal skills with the ability to effectively nurture talent, and a demonstrated commitment to diversity/inclusion •Academic

credentials and professional qualifications that merit appointment as a tenured Full Professor in the Department •Earned doctoral degree in civil engineering or a closely related field

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS: •Demonstrated ability to raise substantial external funding •Proven fiscal and managerial skills •A record of increasing administrative responsibility •A demonstrated capability for leadership by example, consensus and authority with good personnel skills • Engagement in national/international professional organizations •A record of positive interaction with business, alumni and other relevant constituents •Ability to lead and facilitate a positive environment for continuing growth of the department and its endowment. •Registration as a professional engineer or other professional licensure

Electronic submission of nominations and applications will be accepted by Dr. J.H. Edgar (cesearch@ksu.edu). Questions regarding the position can be directed to Dr. Edgar, Search Committee Chair, phone: (785) 532-5584. Screening of applications will begin on December 16, 2013, and will continue until the position is filled. The anticipated starting date is June 2014 or as soon thereafter as possible.

Complete applications should include a letter of application outlining the applicant's qualifications for the position, a current curriculum vitae, statement of vision and goals for leadership of the department, and the contact information of at least three professional references. Inquiries and applications will be confidential. The names and CVs of finalists will be publicly available.

In accordance with Kansas Board of Regents policy, a successful pre-employment background check is required for the final candidate.

Kansas State University is AA/EEO and actively seeks diversity among its employees.