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Civil Engineering Department Chair Position

The University of Kentucky invites external and internal nominations and applications for the position of Chair of the Department of Civil Engineering. The department has 20 full time faculty members, approximately 400 undergraduate and 70 graduate students, and graduates approximately 90 BSCE, 30 M.Sc. and 5 Ph.D. students per year. It has consistently received full six year re-accreditations from ABET, and the percentage of its graduates passing the FE and PE examinations is well above the national average. The University is a Carnegie I research institution.

The position entails successful interaction with all constituents of the department including students, parents, alumni, industry, staff, faculty, and College and University administrators, as well as the public at large. The latter is particularly important at the premier state aided institution in the Commonwealth. The country's economic situation will constrain resources for the foreseeable future, and the chair will be expected to deal with that at least partly by fund raising among generous constituents. The College and University development offices will help with that endeavor.

The chair must be committed to recruiting, developing, and retaining an outstanding and diverse faculty and staff, and to recruiting the very best and diverse undergraduate and graduate students. A clear vision for advancing the department is also required. The chair will be expected to represent the Department at College, University, and professional activities, as well as to maintain good relations with the appropriate state agencies, including the Kentucky Transportation Center, the research arm of the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, the Center for Applied Energy Research, and a number of other research centers with which the Department cooperates.

Candidates for the position will be expected to comply with state statutes for professional licensure as provided at <http://www.lrc.ky.gov/Statutes/chapter.aspx?id=38843> section (4) (a) 3. In brief, the teaching of engineering design courses is regarded as the practice of engineering, and requires that faculty members so practicing must obtain Kentucky licensure within four years of their appointment <http://www.lrc.ky.gov/Statutes/statute.aspx?id=31421> section (1) (b). Individuals appointed prior to 1/1/1999 are exempt. Kentucky does have reciprocal licensure agreements with most states.

The appointment will be at the rank of professor, with tenure. Salary and benefits are very competitive. Both nominations and applications are welcome. They should consist of a complete c.v., including contact information for at least four eminent present or former colleagues who can comment on the suitability of the candidate for the position (Resume), as well as a cover letter describing the candidate's interest in, and qualifications for, the position in light of the above requirements (Cover Letter). File reviews will begin on December 15, 2013 and will continue until the position is filled.

Candidates should have a strong record of externally funded research and publications, as well as of extensive service to the profession and their institutions. Evidence is required of excellence in teaching, and of experience in successfully supervising graduate students, and technical and administrative staff, in major projects.

Employment Application must be submitted at www.uky.edu/ukjobs for position SC549211. Questions should be addressed to HR/Employment, phone (859) 257-9555 press 2 or email ukjobs@email.uky.edu. Application deadline is February 1, 2014. Upon offer of employment, successful applicants for certain positions must undergo a national background check and pre-employment drug screen as required by University of Kentucky Human Resources. The University of Kentucky is an equal opportunity employer and encourages applications from minorities and women.