



Department Chair Industrial and Manufacturing Engineering Wichita State University

The Department of Industrial and Manufacturing Engineering at Wichita State University is seeking candidates for the position of Department Chair. This appointment begins July 1, 2009. The individual selected for this position is expected to provide academic leadership to the department, lead the department in the development and execution of new education and research initiatives, and represent the department to the academic community, alumni, and industry. The Department Chair will promote diversity within the department and participate in faculty development.

Required Qualifications: Candidates must have an earned doctorate in Industrial Engineering or closely related field (at least one degree from an ABET-accredited institution) and must be qualified for a tenured faculty position at the full professor rank within the department. Candidates must have evidence of excellence in education and a strong record of scholarly achievement. Candidates must have a demonstrated record of strong leadership, management, and communication abilities, and of working with industry.

Desired Qualifications: Candidates should have the following qualifications: a record of scholarly achievement in one or more of the areas supported by the department—manufacturing, ergonomics, and systems; evidence of having worked with alumni and fundraising; and demonstrated experience in ABET accreditation.

Application Process: Candidates should send a curriculum vitae, application letter addressing how s/he meets the position requirements, and contact information for four references (name, address, e-mail address, and phone number) to the following person: Janet Twomey, Search Committee Chair, Department of Industrial and Engineering, Wichita State University, 1845 N. Fairmount, Wichita, KS 67260-0035 (janet.twomey@wichita.edu, 316-978-5908). To ensure full consideration, applications should be received by January 16, 2009. Applications will continue to be reviewed after that date, as required, until the position is filled. Offers of employment are contingent upon completion of a satisfactory criminal background check as required by Board of Regents policy.

General Information: The Department of Industrial and Manufacturing Engineering has a total of 90 undergraduate students in two programs (Industrial Engineering and Manufacturing Engineering), 120 graduate students in three programs (MS Industrial Engineering, MS Engineering Management, and the PhD), 11 faculty positions, and a full range of teaching and research laboratories (<http://www.wichita.edu/imfge>).

Wichita State University, with about 15,000 students, is located in Wichita, Kansas, the largest city in Kansas and the industrial center of the state. The greater Wichita area has a population of about 500,000 and is home to several aircraft manufacturers, many aircraft-supporting industries, and information technology companies. Wichita was ranked in Money Magazine's recent top 10 "Best Places to Live" of big cities with more than 300,000 people. Forbes rated Wichita the Number One least expensive place to "live the good life," and Kiplinger's rated Wichita in its top 50 "Smart Places to Live."

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