



## **Chair, Department of Aerospace Engineering, University of Michigan**

The Department of Aerospace Engineering at the University of Michigan seeks applications and nominations for the position of Department Chair. The Department currently has 27 tenured and tenure-track faculty members with approximately 318 undergraduate and 191 graduate students (116 PhD and 75 MSE/SGUS). The University of Michigan's Aerospace Engineering Department is the first collegiate aeronautics program in the United States—started in 1914, with more than 6,000 aerospace engineers graduated over the past 100 years. The successful candidate will be an outstanding scholar with an earned doctorate in a research field related to Aerospace Engineering, and will have an exemplary record of achievement in research, teaching and service at a level commensurate with appointment as a tenured full professor.

The candidate must possess visionary leadership abilities, a broad appreciation for the diverse perspectives within the Aerospace Engineering discipline, and a strong interest in promoting sponsored research programs and mentoring faculty. The qualified candidate should be able to lead and support the faculty to ensure that learning of the highest quality flourishes at all levels, from undergraduate education to graduate and post-doctoral research. The candidate should be able to work with a diverse group of faculty, staff, students, and administrators to achieve common goals and to maintain rapport with alumni and industry representatives. Furthermore, the ideal candidate would capitalize on the breadth of research at the University of Michigan to foster multidisciplinary collaboration across the College and University and have a vision to expand the department's impact. The College of Engineering is especially interested in qualified candidates who can contribute, through their research, teaching, and/or service, to the diversity and excellence of the academic community.

Michigan Engineering's vision is to be the world's preeminent college of engineering serving the common good. This global outlook, leadership focus, and service commitment permeate our culture. Our vision is supported by a mission and values that, together, provide the framework for all that we do. Information about our vision, mission and values can be found at: <http://strategicvision.engin.umich.edu/>.

The University of Michigan has a storied legacy of commitment to Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI). The Michigan Engineering component of the University's comprehensive, five-year, DEI strategic plan—with updates on our programs and resources dedicated to ensuring a welcoming, fair, and inclusive environment—can be found at: <http://www.engin.umich.edu/college/about/diversity>.

Applicants should electronically submit a detailed curriculum vitae and a two-page synopsis of his or her views on current challenges and opportunities facing aerospace engineering education and research. The deadline for ensuring full consideration of an application is November 15, 2017, but the position will remain open and applications may still be considered until the appointment is made. The search will be conducted in confidence until finalists are invited for campus visits at which time professional references will be contacted.

### **Please submit your application to the following:**

Web: <https://apply.interfolio.com/45214>

If you have any questions regarding the web application submittal process or other inquiries please contact Professor Henry A. Sodano, Chair, Aerospace Engineering Search Committee, at [aero-search@umich.edu](mailto:aero-search@umich.edu).

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