



## **Dean, College of Engineering University of Florida**

The University of Florida, the oldest and largest public university in Florida, is a land-grant university and a member of the Association of American Universities. The university is recognized as a Research 1 Institution by the Carnegie Commission on Higher Education and the Florida State University System Board of Governors.

The College of Engineering was established in 1910 with the addition of graduate programs in 1928 offering master's degrees in chemical, civil, electrical and mechanical engineering. Today, the College of Engineering is the largest professional school, the second largest college and one of the three largest research units at the University of Florida. The curricula of the College of Engineering is planned to produce highly skilled engineers and provide each student with a broad range of degree and career choices.

The College enrolls approximately 7,800 (4,975 undergraduate and 2,700 graduate) of the university's 52,000 students and has 449 faculty (289 tenured/tenure-track) in eleven graduate-degree-granting departments. Among public institutions, the College ranked 16th in the nation in undergraduate engineering programs and 14th in graduate engineering programs. In addition, the College ranks 13<sup>th</sup> in research funding among the nation's public engineering programs with about \$106 million in research expenditures for FY 2007-08. The College also ranks 2<sup>nd</sup> in the nation in student competitions, evidence of the outstanding student quality.

The College has recently added three new complexes to an already extensive list of research and teaching facilities. The Nanoscale Research Facility with its 57,000 square feet of labs and classrooms serves both engineering and medicine. The J. Crayton Pruitt Family Department of Biomedical Engineering is about to complete and move into its new, 170,000 square foot, state-of-the-art complex. The new 8,000 square foot Powell Structures and Materials Laboratory provides researchers both space and equipment to test new full-scale Infrastructure Protection and Physical Security designs.

The Dean of the College of Engineering, as the chief academic officer of the college, administers and provides leadership for all academic and research programs. The Dean serves as Associate Vice President of the Engineering and Industrial Experiment Station, which coordinates research within the college. This position reports directly to the Provost. The Dean is expected to serve on a variety of university-wide committees and boards and represents the university in many national and international organizations. In addition, the Dean holds a tenured academic appointment in the appropriate department in the College of Engineering.

Academic and research programs originate from eleven departments as well as several interdisciplinary centers. The Dean is responsible for communications between upper administration and the departments and centers, for reviewing and evaluating the needs of programs, and for preparing and justifying the college budget. The Dean is also responsible for faculty recruitment and development and for dealing effectively and judiciously in personnel matters, promotion, tenure, and recognition of merit. Additional responsibilities include providing leadership for student recruitment, outreach education and degree programs, and defining and promoting the unique mission of the college and its various departments. The Dean works closely with the college's Faculty Council thereby promoting shared governance in dealing with all issues affecting faculty and staff.

**Qualifications:**

- Earned doctorate in an engineering discipline or a relevant related field
- Distinguished record of scholarly accomplishments
- Demonstrated leadership and administrative experience

**Application Information:**

Applicants for this position are asked to submit a letter addressing his or her qualifications, a resume of education, experience, publications, and the names and contact information of five references to the search firm assisting the University of Florida Dean Search Committee. To ensure full consideration, curriculum vitae and statements of intent to apply should be submitted by April 10, 2009, when the Search Committee will begin reviewing applications. Applications received after this date may be considered at the discretion of the Committee and/or hiring authority.

**Nominations, applications, and inquiries should be submitted to:**

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*The University of Florida is an equal employment opportunity employer. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply. The "government in the sunshine" laws of Florida require that all documents relating to the search process, including letters of application/nomination and reference, be available for public inspection.*