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Job Title Mechanical Engineering - Professor

Department Mechanical Engineering

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Institution University of Alabama

Tuscaloosa, Alabama

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Application Deadline Open until filled Position Start Date Aug. 16, 2026

Job Categories Professor

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Job Description

The Department of Mechanical Engineering (ME: https://me.eng.ua.edu/) and the College of Engineering (CoE: https://eng.ua.edu/) at The University of Alabama (UA: https://ua.edu/) invite applications for a position at the rank of Full Professor.

Candidates with prestigious achievements in their field and exceptional national and international reputations will be eligible for consideration for significant endowment support through appointment as



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an Endowed Shelby Distinguished Professor (https://provost.ua.edu/the-shelby-endowment-for-distinguished-faculty/). These Endowed Shelby Distinguished Professor are one of the most prestigious honors bestowed upon faculty at The University of Alabama. Candidates wishing to be considered for such an appointment should indicate this in their cover letter.

Candidates with research interests across all domains relevant to mechanical engineering and mechanics are encouraged to apply. Candidates with particular research emphasis and interests in the areas of: (1) Biomechanics and Biosystems Engineering, (2) Robotics and Mechatronics, (3) Sustainable Energy, Clean Energy, and Combustion, (4) Advanced Manufacturing including Integrated and Interconnected Systems, (5) Multi-scale Computation and Simulation, and (6) Micro/Nanoscale Systems and Engineering are of particular interest for one or more of these positions and thus are strongly encouraged to apply.

Minimum Qualifications

- Earned Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering or a closely related discipline from an accredited institution.
- Demonstrated record of prior research work and a record of impactful scholarly publications in refereed journals, conference proceedings, and similarly impactful venues.
- Demonstrated interest and/or record in mechanical engineering education and professional service in area(s) of specialization.
- Effective verbal and written communication skills.
- Show the potential to construct and sustain a quality research program.
- Exhibit the potential for excellent teaching at both the graduate and undergraduate levels.

Applicants must also meet all university criteria for appointment to the rank of Full Professor.

Preferred Qualifications

- Have 10+ years of experience as a tenured/tenure-track faculty member at a leading peer R1 institution.
- Have a demonstrated record of high-quality research and scholarly publications that is recognized nationally and/or internationally.
- Significant record of scholarship in an engineering department with undergraduate and graduate degree programs.
- Exceptional communication and interpersonal skills.



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Required application documents include a: (1) cover letter that includes both the department name and rank of position for which the candidate is applying, (2) a resume/curriculum vitae, (3) a two page statement of research interests and plans, (4) a one to two page statement of teaching interests and plans, and (5) the names and contact information for at least four references.

Review of applications will begin immediately. Applications are preferred on or before October 20, 2025 to receive fullest consideration, but the search will continue until the positions are filled. A position start date of August 16, 2026 would be typical, but flexibility with respect to start date is possible. Questions about the position can be directed to me-search@ua.edu. The University of Alabama is an Equal Employment/Equal Educational Opportunity Institution. Candidates from under-represented groups are encouraged to apply.

EEO/AA Policy

Prior to hiring, the final candidate(s) must successfully pass a pre-employment background investigation and information obtained from social media and other internet sources. A prior conviction reported as a result of the background investigation DOES NOT automatically disqualify a candidate from consideration for this position. A candidate with a prior conviction or negative behavioral red flags will receive an individualized review of the prior conviction or negative behavioral red flags before a hiring decision is made.

The University of Alabama is an Equal Employment/Equal Educational Opportunity Institution. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, age, genetic information, disability or protected veteran status and will not be discriminated against because of their protected status. Applicants to and employees of this institution are protected under Federal law from discrimination on several bases. Follow the link below to find out more. "EEO is the Law" https://www.eeoc.gov/overview

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