Dept Chairperson/ Professor
Tennessee Technological University

Job Title	Dept Chairperson/ Professor
Department	Electrical and Computer Engineering
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Institution	Tennessee Technological University
	Cookeville, Tennessee
Date Posted	Oct. 10, 2025
Application Deadline	Open until filled
Position Start Date	2026
Job Categories	Department Head/Head/Chair
	Professor
Academic Field(s)	Electrical and/or Electronics
	Computer Engineering
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Job Description

The chair of the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering provides leadership to the department in setting and achieving goals and objectives that fulfill the department's mission and align with the strategic priorities of the College and University.

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Essential Functions

Provides leadership to the department in setting and achieving realistic goals and objectives that fulfill the department's mission and align with the strategic priorities of the College and University. Serves as an effective channel of communication between the Department and Dean of Engineering, and University administration. Manages the financial matters of the department and is responsible for the maintenance of the integrity of the academic programs. Manages department resources, administers faculty and staff evaluations, and is responsible for the general welfare of the department. Represents ECE faculty in meetings with college and university administration, and departmental advisory board. Promotes professional development of faculty, staff, and students. Maintains appropriate levels of teaching, graduate student advising, scholarly and research activities and participation in professional and public service activities. Maintains and builds strong relationships with industry and community stakeholders. Partners with development officers in fundraising and alumni engagement.

Minimum Qualifications

PhD from an accredited institution in Electrical Engineering, Computer Engineering, or a closely related field. Evidence of effective teaching, scholarly productivity and career-level accomplishments, and ability to create and build strong financial partnerships. Ability to obtain the rank of tenured Professor in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering. Good interpersonal skills and ability to interact effectively with students, colleagues, staff and other on- and off-campus individuals. Ability to communicate effectively. Demonstrated good character, professional ethics, maturity of attitude, experience in teamwork and strong familiarity with relevant aspects of an Engineering department. A track record of sustained external funding of research program over the candidate's career. Commitment to undergraduate student success, community engagement, and to fostering a collaborative culture. Ability to identify opportunities, establish priorities, and lead innovative strategic efforts critical to the success of the College's academic programs.

Preferred Qualifications

Administrative and management experience. A strong record of teaching and research excellence. Non-academic professional or industrial experience. Leadership experience. Relevant accreditation activity experience, professional society, and public service experience.

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Contact Information

Please reference Academickeys in your cover letter when applying for or inquiring about this job announcement.

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