

**Michigan State University**  
**Department Chair, Chemical Engineering and Materials Science**  
<http://www.chems.msu.edu/>

Michigan State University invites applications for the position of Chair of the Department of Chemical Engineering and Materials Science (CHEMS) with a preferred starting date of August 16, 2017.

The CHEMS Department has vibrant research and education programs in both Chemical Engineering and Materials Science and Engineering. The tenured faculty count stands at 28. The faculty have received numerous awards and honors, including University Distinguished Faculty, NSF CAREER, Teaching Excellence and Research Scholar and have been named Fellows in many professional societies. The Department has strong research programs with research expenditures of about \$9M per year. Current graduate enrollment is ~100 PhD students and ~700 undergraduates. CHEMS faculty are participating in federal and industry-supported centers and leading the Composite Materials and Structures Center (IACMI-DOE); and the Great Lakes Bioenergy Research Center (DOE).

The CHEMS Chair will be expected to:

- oversee Department operations, personnel and resources;
- promote the development of the departmental vision of academic leadership and excellence;
- represent the Department to the academic community, industry, and government;
- actively work to identify and pursue innovations in research, education, and service;
- lead the Department and the College in strategic planning; and
- promote diversity within the department and the institution.

The successful candidate must have an earned PhD in Chemical Engineering, Materials Science or a closely related field and be qualified for an appointment at the rank of Professor with tenure. The candidate must provide evidence of scientific and organizational leadership and educational innovation with experience in academia, industry, or government. The candidate should have outstanding communication and interpersonal skills, and a distinguished track record of research and funding from diverse sources.

MSU enjoys a park-like campus with outlying research facilities and natural areas. The campus is adjacent to the city of East Lansing and the capital city of Lansing. The metropolitan area has a diverse population of approximately 450,000. Local communities have excellent top-ranked school systems and place a high value on education. Michigan State University is pro-active in exploring opportunities for employment for dual career couples, both inside and outside the University. Visit [www.miwin.msu.edu/](http://www.miwin.msu.edu/) for dual career information and [www.egr.msu.edu/WE](http://www.egr.msu.edu/WE) for WorkLife at MSU.

Interested individuals should submit an application for this position through <http://jobs.msu.edu/> and refer to position #4024. Applicants must submit: a detailed resume; a cover letter summarizing qualifications and leadership approach; a statement on the future vision for research and education of the professions and the department; and the names and contact information for five references. For full consideration, applications should be received before October 31, 2016. Applications will be reviewed on a continuing basis until the position is filled. Nominations or questions are welcome by contacting the search committee chair through email at [CHEMS-Chair-Search@egr.msu.edu](mailto:CHEMS-Chair-Search@egr.msu.edu).

*MSU is an affirmative-action, equal opportunity employer. MSU is committed to achieving excellence through a diverse workforce and inclusive culture that encourages all people to reach their full potential. The university actively encourages applications and/or nominations of women, persons of color, veterans, and persons with disabilities.*