

Greetings,

Randolph College is seeking applications for two tenure-track Assistant Professors in Engineering, and we would like your help in identifying qualified applicants. The position ad is also attached.

Randolph is a small, private liberal arts institution with a longstanding reputation for excellence in teaching and an appreciation for and commitment to diversity. Randolph was recognized as one of the nation's "best and most interesting" institutions in the 2023 edition of the *Fiske Guide to Colleges* and was ranked 12th in the nation for "most accessible professors" by the *Princeton Review*.

Randolph College has a diverse student body with 39% non-white students and 24% first generation college students. Our college president, Sue Ott-Rowlands, has made it a priority to expand the diversity on our campus, including among the ranks of the professoriate. We want all of our students to be able to see themselves in our faculty. We ask for your assistance in helping us to expand our pool of candidates and encourage you to forward this letter to any of your colleagues or graduates who you think might be a good match for Randolph. We are committed to excellence in teaching and finding opportunity for all of our students.

Randolph College is an excellent place to work and to live. It is in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains. Lynchburg is an active town with excellent schools, theater, music, sports (including a single-A baseball team), miles of hiking and biking trails (with the Blue Ridge Parkway and Appalachian Trail system nearby), the James River flowing at the edge of downtown, and many historical attractions. Lynchburg is one hour from Roanoke and Charlottesville, two hours from Richmond and three and a half hours from Washington DC or Virginia Beach.

Please invite your colleagues to contact me directly at (434-947-8488) or (psheldon@randolphcollege.edu) with any questions.

Sincerely,

Peter Sheldon

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