



**COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING  
THE WILLIAM E. AND FLORENCE PERRY HEAD AND PROFESSOR  
SCHOOL OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERING**

The School of Mechanical Engineering at Purdue University is seeking a dynamic and innovative leader to serve as The William E. and Florence Perry Head and Professor of the School of Mechanical Engineering. Programs in the School of Mechanical Engineering are consistently ranked among the best in the nation. The School of Mechanical Engineering is one of the largest schools at Purdue University and one of the largest in the nation with 1300 undergraduates, 650 graduate students, 79 faculty, and 65 staff. The School of Mechanical Engineering is home of [Herrick](#), [Zucrow](#) and [Maha](#) research laboratories with significant infrastructure and a long tradition of collaboration with industry and national laboratories. Mechanical Engineering faculty members also carry out a significant portion of research at the [Birck Nanotechnology Center](#) of Purdue University. The [Bechtel Innovation Design Center](#) and Maker Spaces provide extensive hands-on experiences together with an entrepreneurship and innovation ecosystem through the [Purdue Foundry](#) and [Discovery Park](#). Purdue Engineering takes pride in being at the pinnacle of excellence at scale. A visionary leader with demonstrated collaborative skills is sought to further advance the School's programs.

Applicants must be able to cite career accomplishments that demonstrate an understanding of the current needs and future direction of the mechanical engineering profession. Successful candidates must meet the qualifications for appointment at the full professor level with tenure, based on a substantial record of independent and peer reviewed research, scholarly work, teaching, and professional service. The successful candidate will provide vision and leadership to a diverse group of students, faculty, and staff; will teach as appropriate; and have a strong commitment to diversity, inclusion and collaborative environments; superior communication skills; experience in administration and resource management; and a talent for developing strong stakeholder relations, particularly with other units within the College of Engineering, alumni, and industry partners.

Submit applications online at <https://engineering.purdue.edu/Engr/AboutUS/Employment/Applications>, with: (1) a three-page personal statement addressing the applicant's vision, leadership and mentoring philosophy, experience and qualifications; (2) a 1-page teaching statement; (3) a curriculum vitae; and (4) names and contact information for at least four references. For information/questions regarding the application process, contact the Office of Academic Affairs, College of Engineering, at [coeacademicaffairs@purdue.edu](mailto:coeacademicaffairs@purdue.edu). Review of applications will begin on January 15, 2019 and will continue until the position is filled. Nominations and questions about the position can be addressed to Ali Shakouri, Chair, School of Mechanical Engineering Search Committee, e-mail: [meheadsearch@purdue.edu](mailto:meheadsearch@purdue.edu). A background check will be required for employment in this position.

Purdue University's College of Engineering is committed to advancing diversity in all areas of faculty effort, including scholarship, instruction, and engagement. Candidates should address at least one of these areas in their cover letter, indicating their past experiences, current interests or activities, and/or future goals to promote a climate that values diversity and inclusion.

Purdue's main campus is located in West Lafayette Indiana, a welcoming and diverse community with a wide variety of cultural activities, events, and industries. Purdue and the College of Engineering have a [Concierge Program](#) to assist new faculty and facilitate their relocation.

*Purdue University is an EOE/AA employer. All individuals, including minorities, women, individuals with disabilities, and veterans are encouraged to apply.*