Tenure-Track Assistant Professor  
Department of Materials Science and Engineering  
University of Tennessee, Knoxville

The Department of Materials Science and Engineering (MSE) at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville (UTK) invites applications for a tenure-track faculty position at the rank of Assistant Professor. The successful candidate will be expected to develop a strong, externally funded research program in the area of advanced functional materials. Examples include, but are not limited to: 2D materials, nanoscale device synthesis and characterization, spintronics, micro/nanomagnetics, and novel scanning probe spectroscopies. Candidates with backgrounds in experimental, theoretical, and/or computational materials research in the areas mentioned above are all encouraged to apply. The successful candidate will be expected to establish sponsored research programs in collaboration with faculty members at the University and is encouraged to develop collaborations with scientists at nearby Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL).

Applicants must hold a doctorate degree in materials science and engineering, physics, or closely related field of study and have an established record of excellence in their area of specialization. The successful candidate must also have a balanced perspective on research and teaching/mentoring of the subjects mentioned above at the undergraduate and graduate levels.

Application package should be submitted as a single (PDF) electronic file to MSESearch2@utk.edu. The required documents are: (1) a cover letter, (2) curriculum vitae including a list of publications, (3) the names and contact information (address, phone number, and email address) of five professional references, (4) a research statement (maximum two pages), (5) a teaching statement (maximum two pages), and (6) copies of three most significant papers. Review of applications will begin on November 1, 2017, and continue until the position is filled. Anticipated start date is on or after August 1, 2018.

The MSE department is entering a significant new era and plays an important role in the college’s and university’s vision to become a Top-25 public research institution and to take advantage of unique opportunities for research partnerships with ORNL. MSE also interacts with research centers including the Joint Institute for Advanced Materials (JIAM), Shull Wollan Center (Neutron Sciences), the Joint Institute for Computational Sciences (JICS), Center for Nanophase Materials Sciences (CNMS), Center for Materials Processing (CMP), and the Scintillation Materials Research Center (SMRC). The Department has a current enrollment of approximately 200 students, including 120 undergraduates and 80 graduate students, with 19 tenured/tenure-track faculty with over $11 million in annual research expenditure and approximately 30 other adjunct and research faculty, many with joint appointments at ORNL or other departments within the Tickle College of Engineering (TCE) (http://www.engr.utk.edu/mse/). The TCE, with eight academic departments with more than 3,000 and 1,000 undergraduate and graduate students, respectively, is ranked by US News as 33rd among public colleges of engineering granting the Ph.D.

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