Applications are invited for the position of Chair of the Department of Chemical & Biochemical Engineering, Faculty of Engineering, effective July 1, 2020 or as soon as possible thereafter. Candidates with a tenured appointment at the rank of Associate Professor or Professor from all Departments/Units of the Faculty of Engineering at Western University will be considered. The expected term of appointment as Chair is five years and the appointment is renewable.

Successful candidates will have completed a PhD degree in Chemical or Biochemical Engineering, or relevant similar field, provide evidence of excellence in research and impact through publications in the highest quality journals, and have an established internationally recognized, externally-funded research program, with evidence of interdisciplinary collaboration. In addition, candidates must have an exceptional profile with respect to teaching and training of students at the undergraduate and graduate levels.

The selected candidate will show demonstrated leadership and dedication in achieving the Department's and Faculty's academic goals, as well as address the Department's teaching, research and administrative responsibilities. Experience facilitating, leading and engaging a diverse faculty and staff complement is required. The successful candidate will possess excellent interpersonal and communication skills, provide strong evidence of being a community consensus builder, and be committed to the development of the careers of all faculty and staff members of the Department. Candidates must have or be eligible for registration as a Professional Engineer in Ontario prior to 2021.

The successful candidate should demonstrate: (i) a vision for the department which is forward thinking and based on quality; (ii) a vision that takes advantage of existing strengths and seeks higher international esteem and excellence for the department; and (iii) a plan to promote interdisciplinary research collaboration across the Department, Faculty and University.


Applications should include (i) a detailed curriculum vitae, (ii) a brief description of your vision for the Department. Applications should be sent to:

Dr. Kenneth S. Coley, Dean
c/o Christina Bobier, Director of Administration
Office of the Dean, Faculty of Engineering
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London, Ontario, Canada N6A 5B9
Email: wedean@eng.uwo.ca

Consideration of applications will commence on March 31, 2020 and will continue until the position is filled.

Positions are subject to budget approval. Applicants should have fluent written and oral communication skills in English. The University invites applications from all qualified individuals. Western is committed to employment equity and diversity in the workplace and welcomes applications from women, members of racialized groups/visible minorities, aboriginal persons, persons with disabilities, persons of any sexual orientation, and persons of any gender identity or gender expression.

In accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, priority will be given to Canadian citizens and permanent residents.

Accommodations are available for applicants with disabilities throughout the recruitment process. If you require accommodations for interviews or other meetings, please contact Christina Bobier by phone at 519-661-2111 extension 80210.

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