

Cristina Amon, Dean

MEMORANDUM 2015-16/16

**To**: Chairs and Directors

From: Cristina Amon, Dean

**Date**: May 24, 2016

Re: Hart Early Career Professorships: Call for Submissions

I am extremely pleased to share with you news of the creation of the Percy Edward Hart and Erwin Edward Hart Professorships in the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering. Resulting from the generous estate of Erwin Edward Hart, an alumnus of the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering, an endowment has been established from which the annual proceeds will be used to create 7 Early Career Professorships, one assigned in each of the following academic units:

Department of Chemical Engineering and Applied Chemistry
Department of Civil Engineering
Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering
Department of Materials Science and Engineering
Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering
Institute for Aerospace Engineering
Institute of Biomaterials and Biomedical Engineering

The Hart Early Career Professorships will be awarded to faculty members who are pre-senior promotion, and who have demonstrated a high level of research excellence and exemplary graduate mentorship. Each recipient of the Hart Early Career Professorships will be awarded an annual grant in the amount of \$75,000 to be used for research projects and graduate student support. The funds must be utilized over 4 years (the 3-year term of the Professorship plus an additional year). Requests for a carryforward of funds to a 5<sup>th</sup> year will be considered with justification. All recipients of the Hart Early Career Professorships will be required to submit brief annual progress reports to their Chair or Director, with a copy to the Dean.

At this time, I am issuing a Call for Submissions from each of the above named units, to put forward nominations according to the terms and process outlined below.

Terms and process for submitting a nomination to the Hart Early Career Professorships:

- 1. The Professorships are for a 3-year term and are non-renewable
- 2. Professorships to take effect on September 1, 2016.
- 3. Nominees will be pre-senior promotion (i.e. within 10 years from the start of their faculty appointment)
- 4. Nominees should hold no other chair appointments or distinctions (i.e. CRC, McCharles Early Career Research Distinction, endowed chair, distinguished professor, etc.)
- 5. Each academic unit is expected to submit 1, but not more than 2 nominations
- 6. Nomination package will include:
  - a. Letter of support from Chair/Director
  - b. Description of the nominee's research plan and expected outcomes of the research over the 3-year term of the Professorship and beyond (300-500 words)
  - c. Description of the nominee's approach to graduate mentorship (300-500 words)
  - d. A budget outlining how the funds will be allocated (i.e. number of graduate students supported; supplies and equipment for research projects).
  - e. Nominee's up-to-date CV

Submissions should be received in the Dean's Office (<u>dean.engineering@ecf.utoronto.ca</u>) by July 15, 2016. If you have any questions about the Professorships or the submission process, please contact Lisa Camilleri (<u>lisa@ecf.utoronto.ca</u>).