

Cristina Amon, Dean

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To: Chairs and Directors

Vice-Deans and Associate Dean

From: Cristina Amon, Dean

Date: February 16, 2017

Re: Hart Teaching Innovation Professorships: Call for Nominations

I am extremely pleased to announce the creation of the Hart Teaching Innovation Professorships in the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering. This comes as a result of the proceeds from the estate of Erwin Edward Hart, whose legacy generosity enabled the establishment of the Hart Early Career Professorships in 2016. The endowment proceeds will be used to create 6-8 Hart Teaching Innovation Professorships.

The Hart Teaching Innovation Professorships will be awarded to faculty members who have achieved continuing status (i.e. rank of Associate Professor or above) and who have demonstrated a commitment to developing innovative pedagogical approaches to engineering education, through experimental classroom initiatives recognized teaching excellence and/or scholarly work, and conference papers/presentations. Each recipient of the Hart Teaching Innovation Professorships will be awarded an annual grant in the amount of \$35,000 to be used for engineering education graduate student support, conference and associated travel expenses; supplies and equipment; teaching support/assistance. 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 5th year will be considered with justification. All recipients of the Hart Teaching Innovation 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 according to the terms and process outlined below.

Terms and process for submitting a nomination to the Hart Teaching Innovation Professorships:

- 1. The Professorships are for a 3-year term and are non-renewable
- 2. Professorships to take effect on July 1, 2017.
- 3. Nominees will have achieved continuing status (i.e. rank of Associate Professor or above)
- 4. Each academic unit is invited to submit 1 nomination

- 5. Nomination package will include:
 - a. Letter of support from Chair/Director
 - b. Description of the nominee's plan for scholarship and innovation in the area of teaching and engineering education and expected outcomes of this work over the 3-year term of the Professorship and beyond (300-500 words)
 - c. A budget outlining how the funds will be allocated (i.e. engineering education graduate student support, conference and associated travel expenses; supplies and equipment; teaching support/assistance).
 - d. Nominee's up-to-date CV

Submissions should be received in the Dean's Office (dean.engineering@ecf.utoronto.ca) by May 1, 2017. If you have any questions about the Professorships or the submission process, please contact Lisa Camilleri (lisa@ecf.utoronto.ca).