Faculty Position in Renewable Energy  
Assistant Professor, VPAA # 2022/23-66  

The Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering at San Diego State University invites applications for a full-time tenure-track faculty position in Renewable Energy at the rank of Assistant Professor, with an anticipated start date of August 2022. Qualified applicants must have expertise in renewable energy systems that may include one or more of the following areas: (1) renewable energy systems grid integration and its scientific foundations, including dynamics, controls, optimization, and learning, (2) advanced power electronics for grid applications and transportation electrification, (3) big data analytics, forecasting, and artificial intelligence for renewable energy applications, and (4) cybersecurity for the electric grid with the high-penetration level of renewable energy resources.

Applicants must hold a Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering or closely related discipline. The successful candidate will be expected to establish and maintain an active externally funded research program, achieve excellence in teaching at the undergraduate and graduate levels, advise students, and participate in departmental governance and university service. The ability to interact with other research groups and create/maintain ties with major industrial players within the broader energy community will be an asset.

The Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering is strongly committed to excellence in both research and teaching at the graduate and undergraduate levels. The department offers an ABET-accredited B.S. degree program in Electrical Engineering and Computer Engineering, online and on-campus M.S. program in Electrical Engineering, and joint Ph.D. program in Electrical Engineering. The department is a consortium member of the NSF/ONR/EPRI funded CUSP™ (http://cusp.umn.edu/), DoE-EERE funded FEEDER (http://www.feeder-center.org/). The ECE department is part of Southern California Energy Innovation Network funded by California Energy Commission. The department also houses the DOE-funded Center for Electric Drive Transportation. Additional information about the department and university can be found at http://electrical.sdsu.edu/ and http://www.sdsu.edu.

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The city of San Diego enjoys a mild climate year-round and is a family-friendly urban environment. The metropolitan area is a hub for several leading industries, including major energy companies, and it offers extensive opportunities for developing industrial research partnerships.
Review of the applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled. Applicants must apply via Interfolio at http://apply.interfolio.com/98712. Requests for additional information should be directed to Prof. Satish Sharma, Search Committee Chair, via email ssharma@sdsu.edu.

We are seeking applicants with demonstrated experience in and/or commitment to teaching and working effectively with individuals from diverse backgrounds and members of underrepresented groups. Candidates must satisfy two or more of the eight Building on Inclusive Excellence (BIE) criteria. Candidates that meet BIE criteria: (a) are committed to engaging in service with underrepresented populations within the discipline, (b) have demonstrated knowledge of barriers for underrepresented students and faculty within the discipline, (c) have experience or have demonstrated commitment to teaching and mentoring underrepresented students, (d) have experience or have demonstrated commitment to integrating understanding of underrepresented populations and communities into research, (e) have experience in or have demonstrated commitment to extending knowledge of opportunities and challenges in achieving artistic/scholarly success to members of an underrepresented group, (f) have experience in or have demonstrated commitment to research that engages underrepresented communities, (g) have expertise or demonstrated commitment to developing expertise in cross-cultural communication and collaboration, and/or (h) have research interests that contribute to diversity and equal opportunity in higher education. Please indicate in a separate diversity statement how you meet at least two (2) of these criteria.

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