

Texas A&M University
Dean, College of Geosciences
<http://geosciences.tamu.edu>

The College of Geosciences is seeking an exceptional individual as Dean. The holder of this position is the chief executive officer of the College with 110 tenured and tenure-track faculty members, 16 research scientists, 265 graduate students, 489 undergraduate students, and a total research and teaching budget of \$84 million. The College of Geosciences seeks to provide an understanding of our changing planet: the solid earth, the oceans, the atmosphere; coupled human and natural systems; and the application of state-of-the science research to energy, environment and climate change. The College includes the Departments of Atmospheric Sciences, Geology and Geophysics, Geography, and Oceanography and a variety of research units including the Integrated Ocean Drilling Program, the Sea Grant College Program, and the Geochemical and Environmental Research Group. Close collaborations, through programs such as the Center for Atmospheric Chemistry and the Environment and to Sustainable Coastal Margins Program, exist with other colleges across the campus.

Texas A&M is seeking distinguished, proactive, and visionary candidates with

- Dedication to the goals of the College of Geosciences and commitment to energizing and enhancing the activities of the College within and outside the university;
- Distinguished record of accomplishment in academia, industry, or government appropriate for a tenured full Professor in one of the Departments of the College;
- Proven and distinguished record of administrative service;
- Demonstrated ability to recruit, retain, and develop outstanding faculty, staff, and students;
- Clear and demonstrated commitment to excellence in research, undergraduate and graduate education, and active engagement with our federal, state, industry and community partners;
- Commitment to diversity, equal opportunity, and global perspectives;
- Commitment to leadership in fund-raising and obtaining enhanced external support.

Texas A&M University is in the ninth year of a long-range planning process entitled *Vision 2020* (<http://www.tamu.edu/vision2020/>) with the goal of becoming a consensus “top 10” public university. So far, the University has raised over \$1.5 billion through a development campaign and has hired faculty for 442 new faculty lines, 26 of whom are in the College of Geosciences.

Bryan-College Station, home of Texas A&M University, consistently ranks as one of the most livable metropolitan areas in the nation. Centrally located among

three of the country's 10 largest cities (Dallas, Houston, San Antonio) and just over an hour from the state capital (Austin), B-CS boasts a combined population in excess of 155,000, including the Texas A&M student body. The community has excellent school systems, shopping centers, hospitals, and restaurants. The twin cities are home to a high proportion of professional people and feature many of the advantages of a cosmopolitan center without the disadvantages of a congested urban environment.

The Search Advisory Committee will begin to review applications on November 15, 2008. The review will continue until the position is filled.

Applicants should submit a letter of application, 1-2 page narrative summary of experience and administrative philosophy, curriculum vitae and the names and telephone numbers of at least three references. (References will be contacted only after permission is obtained from the candidate.) Applicants should also provide a preferred telephone number and mailing and e-mail addresses.

Please send applications and nominations to:

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Texas A&M University is an Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action Employer. The University is dedicated to the goal of building a culturally diverse and pluralistic faculty and staff committed to teaching and working in a multicultural environment. We strongly encourage applications from women, underrepresented ethnic groups, and individuals with disabilities.

Find more information about the College of Geosciences at <http://geosciences.tamu.edu>.