Assistant Professor of Civil Engineering

The Lafayette College Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering (CEE) invites applications for a full-time, tenure-track Assistant Professor position in the area of land and site development with an emphasis on sustainable engineering practices, commencing in July 2021. Candidates must have earned a Ph.D. in civil engineering or related field by the start of their appointment and possess enthusiasm for teaching and the ability to communicate complex, technical concepts to students. The successful candidate will be able to explain how they will contribute to Lafayette’s commitment to diversity and inclusion. The successful candidate will also demonstrate the potential to develop a research program that involves undergraduate students in meaningful research experiences and produces publications in peer-reviewed journals. Particular consideration will be given to candidates with professional experience, professional engineering licensure, teaching experience, and/or experience conducting research with undergraduate students.

Lafayette College has been a leader of formalized undergraduate engineering education and has offered a civil engineering program since 1866. Since its inception, the program has emphasized superior education in engineering and the liberal arts, placing a strong emphasis on student-faculty interaction. This is accomplished via innovative teaching, opportunities to engage in research, completion of hands-on design projects, and through nationally recognized study abroad programs. In recent years the engineering programs have been ranked in the top 15 in the nation by U.S. News and World Report among undergraduate-focused institutions. In 2019, Lafayette began offering an interdisciplinary engineering program enabling students to focus in areas including robotics, bioengineering, environment, and energy. The faculty in the Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering play a central role in offering and maintaining this program.

Faculty members teach the equivalent of four courses in their first year and five courses per year thereafter, including introductory and capstone engineering courses and courses that contribute to Lafayette’s Common Course of Study. This tenure-track position provides a unique opportunity to mentor students at one of the nation’s highly ranked undergraduate-only institutions offering ABET-accredited engineering degrees. Further information about the department can be found at http://ce.lafayette.edu/.

Applicants should submit a cover letter, a statement of teaching philosophy and interests, a statement of research interests, a curriculum vitae, and a list of references through (apply.interfolio.com/82340). Application materials should demonstrate the applicant’s commitment to teaching engineering in an undergraduate, liberal arts environment and address how the applicant’s teaching, research, and/or service will support Lafayette’s commitment to diversity and inclusion as articulated in the college’s diversity statement (http://www.lafayette.edu/about/diversity-statement/). Review of applications will begin on February 15, 2021. However, applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

About Lafayette College:
Located within 70 miles of New York and Philadelphia, Lafayette College is a highly selective undergraduate liberal arts and engineering institution with significant resources to support faculty members in their teaching and scholarship. Lafayette College is committed to creating a diverse community: one that is inclusive and responsive, and is supportive of each and all of its faculty, students, and staff. All members of the College community share a responsibility for creating, maintaining, and developing a learning environment in which difference is valued, equity is sought, and inclusiveness is practiced. In cultivating this community, the Engineering programs at Lafayette have taken a national leadership role in diversity as evidenced by recently being recognized for its commitment to the
Engineering Deans Diversity Pledge. Moreover, the ASEE currently lists Lafayette’s engineering programs among the top 10 in the nation for women on the faculty and among the top 20 for Bachelor’s degrees awarded to women. Lafayette College is an equal opportunity employer and encourages applications from women and minorities.

Questions about the position should be directed to Prof. Arthur Kney, Acting Department Head and Search Committee Chair, at kneya@lafayette.edu. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply.