Welcome from the KGCOE Dean Search Committee Co-Chairs

Rochester Institute of Technology, one of the largest private universities and the second largest producer of STEM graduates among private universities in the nation, is seeking applications and nominations for the position of Dean of the Kate Gleason College of Engineering (KGCOE). This position offers an exceptional opportunity for an energetic and visionary leader to partner with members of our talented faculty, staff, student body, and broader institute and national community to teach, promote, and reflect the value of the significant and integral role engineering disciplines play in today's complex world.

KGCOE is named in honor of Kate Gleason, the first woman to be elected a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. We proudly continue a tradition of equal opportunity and excellence in engineering education. Since 2004, we have tripled the number of women enrolled in the college. Our position within RIT has shaped KGCOE as one of the most successful engineering teaching institutions in the country, with student placement rates above 95%. KGCOE engineering students graduate with approximately a full year of co-operative education work experience, well versed in current engineering practice, and educated to lead technical innovation and develop next-generation products and processes.

Our student application numbers and graduates are growing at an unprecedented rate and the expanding KGCOE faculty are experts in their fields of biomedical, chemical, computer, electrical, industrial & systems, mechanical, and microelectronic engineering. During the past 10 years, the college has added Chemical and Biomedical Engineering departments and is in the process of completing a proposal for a Civil Engineering program. We have created PhD programs in Engineering and Microsystems Engineering, and since 2007 we have doubled our graduate enrollment. These expanding graduate programs foster education and research that leverage the white space between disciplines to support our rapidly growing research enterprise in the college. Our College is poised to engaged in interdisciplinary, world-class research that informs student teaching and outcomes in a unique way. The next KGCOE Dean will play a pivotal role in continuing to build on the College’s reputation for teaching excellence while promoting a growing research portfolio in a collaborative, student-centered way.

The KGCOE is truly a unique place to learn, grow, and shape the next generation of engineers. We invite you, as a prospective applicant or nominator, to review the materials provided on this website and contact us in the event we can answer any questions about this important search. We have retained the services of Korn Ferry, the largest executive search firm in the world and a leader in the higher education marketplace, to assist with our efforts in recruiting our next Dean. Korn Ferry welcomes your applications, nominations, and inquiries by contacting rit-kgcoe@kornferry.com.

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