

Aalto University is a community of bold thinkers where science and art meet technology and business. We are committed to identifying and solving grand societal challenges and building an innovative future. Aalto University has six schools with nearly 11 000 students and nearly 400 professors. Our campuses are located in Espoo and Helsinki, Finland.

The School of Arts, Design and Architecture (ARTS) is an institution of higher education for design, media, architecture, motion picture, art education and art. The current key areas of research are design, digital media, audiovisual representation, art, visual culture, welfare architecture and emerging technologies as well as urban planning and design. The school produces specialists and innovators of art, design and architecture with strong artistic and technical skills.

Aalto University School of Arts, Design and Architecture invites applications for:

Tenure track or tenured professorship in Industrial Design

The position can be filled on any level from assistant professor to tenured full professor.

Job description

The teaching, research and/or creative practice of the professor of industrial design will focus on industrial product design in the multi-disciplinarily spirit of Aalto University. The present and future product design takes place in an environment where products integrate with services; where design tools have become digital and increasingly virtual; where design processes are agile, collaborative and cross-disciplinary; where manufacturing is flexible and distributed; where business is global and extremely dynamic; and where social and ecological responsibility and sustainable development are imperatives. The professor of industrial design should have a good comprehension of the development of the field and a cutting-edge specialization in developing advanced design practices and/or knowledge.

The professor will be providing, developing and leading teaching of industrial design on bachelor and master levels. The responsibilities of the position include also collaborating with industry, supervision of students on all levels of university education, engagement of a broad network of industrial design stakeholders, research and/or creative practice on the field of industrial design.

Requirements

Throughout their careers, those in the academic tenure-track system are expected to exercise and guide academic research, to provide related higher education, to follow the advances of their field, to participate in service to the Aalto University community, and to take part in societal interaction and international collaboration in their field. The requirements for the position include the following:

- Applicants must have experience in industrial design practice. Applicants' research experience is considered a merit.
- Applicants are expected to have master's degree in a relevant field. Doctoral degree is considered a merit.
- Applicants should have demonstrated ability to teach at university level. Applicants' ability to develop teaching and learning, as well as engaging partners in university-industry collaboration are considered merits.
- Applicants' experiences in professional and/or academic community and leadership experiences are considered merits.
- Applicants need to be fluent in English. Finnish and Swedish proficiency are considered merits.

The applicants will be reviewed on the basis of their academic research and/or design work, teaching and academic and/or professional leadership and activity in academic and/or professional community.

Aalto University reserves the right to use external reviewers to support the evaluation of applicants during the recruitment process.

Salary

Aalto University follows the salary system of Finnish universities, but applicants may also provide salary requirements. The contract includes occupational health benefits and Finland has a comprehensive social security system.

How to apply

The application process includes two phases. In the first phase the applicants are required to submit the following material:

- Motivation letter (max. 1 page)
- Curriculum Vitae (max. 5 pages)
- List of professional design work and/or academic research publications
- Design portfolio including 5 most relevant design projects and/or academic research publications
- Statement containing vision of the professional and academic development of the field with an insight on forthcoming teaching and research priorities (max. 5 pages)

All material should be in English. The application material will not be returned.

Applications with attachments (in pdf-format) for the tenure-track position are to be addressed to the President of Aalto University and submitted through the link below no later than **June 4, 2018**.

From amongst the applicants in the first phase, Aalto University will select those who will be asked to supplement their application materials, and to visit the School of Arts, Design and Architecture in September 2018. Supplemented applications are submitted for review by external experts (the second phase of the application process).

General instructions for applicants including language requirements and guidelines for compiling CV are given at www.aalto.fi/en/tenure_track/for_applicant.

Aalto University reserves the right for justified reasons to leave the position open, to extend the application period and to consider candidates who have not submitted applications during the application period.

For more Information

For additional information, please contact Head of Department, Professor Turkka Keinonen, tel. +358 50 5723 133, firstname.lastname@aalto.fi (or in recruitment process –related questions HR coordinator Päivi Niemi tel. +358 501 8434, firstname.j.lastname@aalto.fi)

In Helsinki, 23.4.2018

Tenure track in Aalto University

The tenure track is open to talented individuals who have excellent potential for a scientific career. Individuals placed on the Aalto University professorial tenure track have the possibility to advance in their career through regular performance assessments, which take into account their merits in all areas of their scope of duty. Launched in 2010, the tenure track has attracted a wide range of international applicants, giving Aalto University the possibility of recruiting top experts and young research talent to join the Aalto University community. The track consists of two assistant professor levels, associate professor and full professor. Read more about the Aalto University tenure track system at http://www.aalto.fi/en/about/careers/career_at_aalto/tenure_track/.

About Finland and Helsinki area

Finland has a high standard of living, a world leading education system, and a vibrant commercial and cultural life. It enjoys a robust economy and political stability. It has excellent transport links to the major cities of Europe and beyond. Helsinki is one of Europe's leading capital cities and a vivid center of scholarship. As a living and working environment, Finland is consistently ranked highly in quality-of-life and competitiveness studies. More information is available at: http://www.aalto.fi/en/about/careers/international_staff/.

Living up to our values

As a community of high ethics we want to assure the highest international standard in research, education and teaching. We expect all our community members to respect Aalto values and follow the ethical principles of fair play and integrity in all our activities and the behaviour that we expect from each other. The Aalto University Code of Conduct is applicable to all Aalto community members and it clarifies the values that guide us.