

Call for Applications – Extended deadline**Editor-in-Chief****Transactions of the Canadian Society for Mechanical Engineering**

The Canadian Society for Mechanical Engineering (CSME) seeks candidates for the position of Editor-in-Chief for its flagship journal – Transactions of the Canadian Society for Mechanical Engineering. It is an archival journal dedicated to the broad field of mechanical engineering including the traditional areas of mechanics, thermo-fluids, design and manufacturing along with the many emerging areas and disciplines related to mechanical engineering. This is a quarterly, peer-reviewed journal established in 1972. The journal is currently abstracted and indexed in Compendex, SCOPUS, Current Contents, Journal Citation Reports/Science Edition, Science Citation Index, and several other bibliographic databases. The CSME Board of Directors is highly interested in taking the Transactions to a higher level of recognition and value for the Canadian ME community. It has therefore struck a Task Force who will work with the Editor-in-Chief in developing a new business plan for the journal, including scope, mode of publishing, budget, contracts, support staff, etc.

The candidate should possess wide knowledge in the diverse areas of mechanical engineering, distinguished scholarly contributions, a significant academic reputation both within Canada and internationally, and should have been involved on editorial boards of peer-reviewed journals. The ideal candidate will also have strong leadership skills and the ability to work in a team.

In line with Task Force recommendation, the first priority of the Editor-in-Chief will be to put together a new Editorial Board reflective of the core and emerging areas of mechanical engineering, and of the equity and diversity within the profession. She/he will need to continue to enhance the reputation of the journal, increase the submission of papers from Canadian post-secondary institutes, and maintain high standards as a peer-reviewed journal with an aim to increase its impact factor. The individual will also need to create an effective and timely review process, migrate the existing submission system to a web-based submission process, and improve the online version of the journal. He/she should also decide whether the current revenue model is still optimal or the journal should, for example, become open-source. It is to be noted that currently the Editor-in-Chief role is a voluntary position and the incumbent will be appointed as a Board Member of CSME.

The initial appointment of the Editor-in-Chief is for three years. The CSME Executives will set-up journal performance measures and targets, in consultation with the Editor-in-Chief, which the Editor will then be responsible to meet or exceed. The incumbent will present journal performance metrics at CSME Board meetings and prepare other reports as may be required by CSME Executives.

Interested candidates should submit a covering letter and a detailed curriculum vitae to the CSME Executive Director, Guy Gosselin (Email: ggosselin.eic@gmail.com) by email no later than **24 March, 2017**. Selected candidates will be contacted individually thereafter for an in-person interview by the Selection Committee.