



### University of Puerto Rico Mayagüez Campus Department of Human Resources

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### REOPENING TO JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Announcement Number : 24-38

Position Title : Assistant Professor

Annual Salary : \$70,548.00

Location of Position : University of Puerto Rico

Mayagüez Campus

Department of Mechanical Engineering

(https://www.uprm.edu/inme/)

Opening Date : April 24, 2025

Closing Date : May 12, 2025

### INTRODUCTION

The **Department of Mechanical Engineering** at the University of Puerto Rico in Mayagüez (UPRM) announces an Assistant Professor tenure-track position in Automation, Robotics and Controls. The Department of Mechanical Engineering has a vibrant undergraduate program with the highest demand and highest potential for growth in the College of Engineering at the University of Puerto Rico in Mayagüez. The undergraduate program is duly accredited by the **ABET Engineering Accreditation Commission**. In addition, the growing Master's and PhD program produces high-level research and has access to outstanding funding mechanisms to support innovative research (US federal government, local government, local and international private industry).

# **MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS**

Candidates must show potential to immediately impact emerging focus areas in **Automation, Robotics and Controls** as applied to Mechanical Engineering. The candidate should possess outstanding academic qualifications, a proven history of scientific research expertise within the specified field, the ability to secure competitive external funding through individual or collaborative proposals, and proficiency in teaching at the university level. The position **requires a doctoral degree (Ph.D.) in Mechanical Engineering** or equivalent area with a **specialty in Automation, Robotics and Controls** or related fields. Specific areas of interest include, but are not limited to, robotics, mechatronics, dynamics, and controls who have the vision and the ability to carry out research that merges robotics with other disciplines such as assistive technologies, additive manufacturing, machine learning and data-driven simulations. The candidate is expected to have the potential to teach a variety of undergraduate and graduate level courses in mechanical engineering in fundamental topics related to system dynamics, controls, mechatronics, and robotics, among others. The candidate should have excellent communication skills in English and must have the ability to contribute to a diverse and inclusive academic culture and to promote the mission of the Department of Mechanical Engineering and the University of Puerto Rico at Mayagüez.

## **JOB DESCRIPTION**

The responsibilities of the hired person include demonstrating a strong commitment to teaching through the development of innovative courses at both undergraduate and graduate levels in the fundamental areas of mechanical engineering as well as in his/her specialty area, the development of a strong and sustainable research program supported by external funds, the dissemination of scientific results through the publication of articles in refereed and high-impact conferences and journals in his/her specialty area, mentoring graduate and undergraduate students, and actively participating in other activities to support the mission of the Department, the College of Engineering, the University, and the profession.

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curriculum vitae, official transcripts of graduate and undergraduate studies, a teaching statement, a

research statement, three (3) letters of recommendation from peers in the field of profession and at least three (3) recent professional products (last 5 years) in the candidate's specialty area. Applications should be directed to:

Dr. Silvina Cancelos, Department Chair Department of Mechanical Engineering University of Puerto Rico at Mayagüez Call Box 9000, Mayagüez PR 00681-9000 Phone: (787) 832-4040, 3719, Fax: (787) 265-5407

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