CARNegie MELLon UNiversity DISTINGUISHED AFRICAN SCHOLAR AWARD

REGIONAL ICT CENTER OF EXCELLENCE KIGALI, RWANDA

Carnegie Mellon University invites full professors from African universities to apply for the CMU Distinguished African Scholar Award. This award supports a one-semester visiting faculty appointment to engage in teaching and research at Carnegie Mellon University’s College of Engineering location in the Regional ICT Center of Excellence in Kigali, Rwanda. Distinguished African Scholar awardees will have an opportunity to work with world-class scholars in all areas related to ICT and Electrical and Computer Engineering, including energy, big data, telecom, image processing, software engineering, mobile computing, and information security. They will also have access to laboratory and computing resources and can work with top Carnegie Mellon graduate students at the Regional ICT Center of Excellence.

The Distinguished African Scholar Award recognizes senior faculty with well-developed research programs and extensive university teaching experience. The Award includes round-trip airfare from the Scholar’s location in Africa to Kigali, lodging, support for research and professional activities, and a generous stipend. Candidates must be a citizen of an African country, have a full-time faculty appointment as a full professor at a university in Africa, and have an earned Ph.D. in information and communication technology, electrical engineering, computer engineering, computer science, or a related field.

Applications for the Distinguished African Scholar Award must include:
- A cover letter indicating the applicant’s current university appointment and the desired academic semester for the appointment
- A full CV, including a list of all publications
- A one-page statement of teaching interests
- A two-page proposal for research to be conducted in Kigali
- A copy of the applicant’s passport
- Contact information for three references

APPLICATION DEADLINES:
Applications for the spring semester (January through May) must be received no later than June 1 of the preceding year. Applications for the fall semester (August through December) must be received no later than February 1 of that year.

APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE SENT BY EMAIL TO: DIRECTOR@AFRICA.CMU.EDU.

ABOUT CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY AFRICA IN RWANDA

Carnegie Mellon University (CMU), a world leader in engineering education and research, extended its global reach into Africa in 2012 when it opened the CMU Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Center of Excellence (CoE) in Kigali, Rwanda, in a partnership with the Government of Rwanda. The ICT CoE benefits from Rwanda’s bold ICT strategy and attractive environment for business and entrepreneurship. As a unit of CMU’s College of Engineering, with full-time CMU faculty and staff, the ICT CoE extends CMU’s culture of innovation to Africa and prepares students to become technology thought leaders through two CMU master’s programs: the Master of Science in Information Technology (MSIT) and the Master of Science in Electrical and Computer Engineering (MS ECE).