Professor, Observational/Experimental Planetary Science

Job Announcement Text:
The Astronomy Department of the University of Maryland at College Park seeks highly qualified candidates for a tenured professorial faculty position in observational/experimental planetary science. Strong preference will be given to candidates with interest and experience in playing a leading role in spacecraft missions, although exceptional applicants with experience in related areas of planetary science will also be considered.

The successful candidate will have a solid international reputation and an established, vigorous, externally funded research program. Demonstrated leadership skills are necessary, as the successful candidate will play a senior role in a strong planetary science group.

The Astronomy Department has a major focus on comet and asteroid science, hosts the NASA Planetary Data System’s Small Bodies Node, has recently led the Deep Impact space mission, and is currently leading the follow-up EPOXI mission. The department has an additional theoretical focus on the origin and evolution of the Solar System. The Departments of Astronomy and Geology are currently in discussions to jointly establish a Center for Planetary Origins. The Astronomy Department also enjoys strong ties to NASA’s Goddard Space Flight Center.

Interested candidates should forward a letter of application, curriculum vitae, and publication list to: Dr. Douglas Hamilton, Chair, Astronomy Search Committee, Department of Astronomy, University of Maryland, College Park, MD 20742-2421. Review of applications will begin in early June and applications received by June 30, 2010 will receive full consideration. The University of Maryland is an Equal Employment Opportunity and Affirmative Action Employer. Women and minority candidates are encouraged to apply.

Included Benefits:
The University of Maryland’s benefits package can be reviewed at:

Related URLs: Department of Astronomy homepage
Planetary Group research page

Application Deadline: Wednesday, June 30, 2010
Current Status of Position: No Status Given (Opted Out)
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