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Dear Colleague Letter: Directorate for Mathematical and Physical Sciences (MPS), Division of Materials Research (DMR), Condensed Matter Physics Program (CMP) - Employment Opportunity for Program Director Positions (Open Until Filled)

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Dear Colleagues:

The Division of Materials Research (DMR) announces a nationwide search for a senior-level researcher to serve as Program Director in the Condensed Matter Physics Program (CMP), starting in the Summer of 2017. Formal consideration of interested applications will begin April 1, 2017, and will continue until a selection is made. The position requires an individual with broad knowledge and demonstrated experience in experimental condensed matter physics or materials research. Applicants must have a Ph.D. or equivalent experience in the physical sciences or a closely-related field, plus after the award of the PhD, a minimum of six or more years of successful independent research. In addition, research administration and/or managerial experience pertinent to the position would be highly desirable.

For the DMR mission statement and additional information about the above program, please see <https://www.nsf.gov/materials>.

Applicants must be familiar with a broad spectrum of the materials research community, as well as with the issues being addressed in the field. Applicants with accomplishments in the integration of research and education and with multidisciplinary experience and interest are desired. The position requires effective oral and written communication skills, and familiarity with NSF programs and activities is highly desirable. The incumbent is expected to work effectively both as an individual within the specific NSF program and as a member of crosscutting and interactive teams. The incumbent must also demonstrate a capability to work across government agencies to promote NSF activities and to leverage program funds through interagency collaborations.

NSF is relocating to Alexandria, VA. In late summer of 2017, NSF will begin the transition from its current location in Arlington, VA to 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314. The new location is adjacent to a Metro station (Eisenhower Avenue on the Yellow Line) and there is ample parking in the area. There are several amenities nearby, such as restaurants, hotels, and shops.

HOW TO APPLY

Applicants should indicate which program they are applying to within their cover letter and subject line of the email. Please submit curriculum vitae to dmr-recruit@nsf.gov. Applications are first reviewed by the recruitment working group (typically composed of 3-5 Program Directors) and recommendations are made to DMR's Division Director and Deputy Division Director. A few candidates are selected for telephone and/or NSF on-site interviews. Applicants will receive an acknowledgement of their applications and a status update by email when selections occur. For more information about these

openings, you may send an inquiry to dmr-recruit@nsf.gov or contact [Tomasz Durakiewicz](#).

Nominations from the community are also encouraged. A nomination email can be sent to dmr-recruit@nsf.gov.

The position may be filled as IPA - type rotator position.

Intergovernmental Personnel Assignment (IPA) Act: Individuals eligible for an IPA assignment with a Federal agency include employees of State and local government agencies or institutions of higher education, Indian tribal governments, and other eligible organizations in instances where such assignments would be of mutual benefit to the organizations involved. Initial assignments under IPA provisions may be made for a period up to two years, with a possible extension for up to an additional two-year period. The individual remains an employee of the home institution and NSF provides the negotiated funding toward the assignee's salary and benefits. Initial IPA assignments are made for a one-year period and may be extended by mutual agreement.

For additional information on NSF's rotational programs, please visit:

<https://www.nsf.gov/careers/rotator/>.

Applications will be accepted from US Citizens. Recent changes in Federal Appropriations Law require Non-Citizens to meet certain eligibility criteria to be considered. Therefore, Non-Citizens must certify eligibility by signing and attaching this [Citizenship Affidavit](#) to their application. Non-citizens who do not provide the affidavit at the time of application will be considered as an IPA only.

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