

Tenure Track Assistant Professor or Associate Professor in building information modelling and digital detailed design

The Department of Civil and Architectural Engineering, Aarhus University, invites applications for a Tenure Track Assistant Professor (or Associate Professor, depending on qualifications) position in digital detailed design and operation of the building enclosure and services. This position offers an exciting opportunity to contribute to the advancement of integrated design and digitalization of buildings for low carbon and high quality of life while educating and mentoring the next generation of engineers and researchers.

Expected start date and duration of employment

This is a Tenure Track Assistant Professor or Associate Professor position from 1 October 2026 or as soon as possible thereafter.

Job description

The appointed candidate is expected (1) to develop a research programme in digital detailed design and operation of buildings that address the transition of building stock towards low carbon and high quality of life, and (2) to deliver high-quality teaching at undergraduate and graduate levels. The candidate should have demonstrated expertise in building information modelling (BIM) and building energy modelling (BEM) for detailed design and operation of building enclosure components and building services. Ideally, the candidate has experience in digitalization of whole building, environmental and economic lifecycle assessment and/or digitalization of technical commissioning processes and building operation. It is also expected that the candidate is or becomes able to attract substantial external funding for independent and collaborative research with national and international stakeholders.

The appointed candidate will actively contribute to our curriculum in sustainable building design and operation. The candidate is expected to teach courses where fundamentals and practical aspects of BIM are needed at undergraduate level and digital detailed design at graduate level.

Your profile

The candidate is expected to have a PhD degree in Building Science Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Civil and Architectural Engineering or similar domain. Previous employment as a Postdoc or similar is needed if the applicant is applying for the Tenure Track Assistant Professor position. A previous position as an Assistant Professor or similar is required if the applicant is applying for the Associate Professor position. The candidates are expected to have:

- Documented experience in BIM and BEM for detailed design and building operation.
- Extensive knowledge of building physics and HVAC systems.
- An upward-trending record of high-quality academic publication.
- Strong communication skills with different stakeholders within building sector.
- Relevant teaching experience (depending on whether the position is assistant or associate) and commitment to high-quality teaching and mentorship.
- Willingness to contribute to a good work environment.

Who we are

Department of Civil and Architectural Engineering was established on January 1, 2021 in connection with Aarhus University's reorganization of the engineering area. The department employs around 100 people and is responsible for research and education within the department's scientific areas. We educate both Bachelors and Masters of Science in Engineering and around 950 students are enrolled in our study programs. Furthermore, we also offer an ambitious PhD program. Our PhD students have high academic ambitions and deliver high-quality results for both the private and the public sectors.

Through research and development, we forge sustainable technological solutions to some of the biggest challenges facing industry and society. We strive to contribute to

Application Deadline:
29 May 2026

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Faculty of Technical Sciences

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Vacant positions:
1

Hours per week:
37

Expected date of accession:
01/10/2026

sustainable development and to create green solutions to challenges within construction, indoor climate, geotechnics, environmental and climate adaptation and many other areas.

Our research is both basic and applied, and we develop current knowledge into workable solutions in the business community. We collaborate with a wide range of public and private enterprises, and many of the department's research and development activities are based on the innovation needs of the business community. Through collaboration, we ensure that the knowledge and technology generated in the university's technical research environments are clearly anchored in reality and benefit the surrounding society. Based on our research on building materials, architectural design and technology, we also offer research-based public sector services and consultancy on technology to public agencies and ministries.

What we offer

The Department offers:

- A well-developed research infrastructure, laboratories and access to shared equipment.
- An exciting interdisciplinary environment with many national, international, and industrial collaborators.
- A research climate encouraging lively, open, and critical discussion within and across different fields of research.
- A work environment with close working relationships, networking, and social activities.
- A workplace characterised by professionalism, equality, and a healthy work-life balance.

Place of work and area of employment

The place of work is at Navitas at Inge Lehmanns Gade 10, DK-8000 Aarhus C, Denmark and the area of employment is Aarhus University with related departments.

Contact information

For further information, please contact the head of the department, Søren Wandahl, +45 41893216, swa@cae.au.dk.

Deadline

Applications must be received no later than 29 May 2026.

Technical Sciences Tenure Track

Aarhus University offers talented scientists from around the world attractive career perspectives via the Technical Sciences Tenure Track Programme. Highly qualified candidates are appointed as Assistant Professors for a period of six years with the prospect of performance-based advancement to a tenured Associate Professorship.

The aim of the Technical Sciences Tenure Track Programme is to:

- attract outstanding talented individuals that are competitive at an international level
- to promote the early development of independent research success early in the career of scientists
- to create transparency in the academic career path

As part of the tenure track position, the candidate is offered:

- access to research infrastructure
- capability development, including postgraduate teacher training
- a mentoring programme
- support to develop scientific networks and to secure interdisciplinary research at the highest level

As part of the Aarhus University Tenure Track Programme, the University carries out a

mid-way evaluation to review the progress of the tenure track candidate after three years, according to the same criteria used in the final tenure review. The final tenure review is conducted after five and a half years. If the review is positive, the candidate will be offered a tenured position as Associate Professor at Aarhus University.

Please refer to the [tenure track guidelines](#) for the tenure review criteria and for the tenure review process.

Application procedure

Shortlisting is used. This means that after the deadline for applications – and with the assistance from the assessment committee chairman, and the assessment committee if necessary, – the head of department selects the candidates to be evaluated. The selection is made on the basis of an assessment of who of the candidates are most relevant considering the requirements of the advertisement. All applicants will be notified within 6 weeks whether or not their applications have been sent to an expert assessment committee for evaluation. The selected applicants will be informed about the composition of the committee and will receive his/her assessment. Once the recruitment process is completed a final letter of rejection is sent to the deselected applicants.

Letter of reference

If you want a referee to upload a letter of reference on your behalf, please state the referee's contact information when you submit your application. We strongly recommend that you make an agreement with the person in question before you enter the referee's contact information, and that you ensure that the referee has enough time to write the letter of reference before the application deadline.

Unfortunately, it is not possible to ensure that letters of reference received after the application deadline will be taken into consideration.

If you wish to add a referee **after** you have submitted your application, you must send this person's details (name, job title, place of work, and email address) as well as the name of the position you have applied for to: HR.Nattech@au.dk

Formalities and salary range

Technical Sciences refers to the [Ministerial Order on the Appointment of Academic Staff at Danish Universities under the Danish Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation](#).

The application must be in English and include a curriculum vitae, degree certificate, a complete list of publications, a statement of future research plans and information about research activities, teaching portfolio and verified information on previous teaching experience (if any). Guidelines for applicants can be found [here](#).

Appointment shall be in accordance with the collective labour agreement between the Danish Ministry of Taxation and the Danish Confederation of Professional Associations. Further information on qualification requirements and job content may be found in the [Memorandum on Job Structure for Academic Staff at Danish Universities](#).

Salary depends on seniority as agreed between the Danish Ministry of Taxation and the Confederation of Professional Associations.

Aarhus University's ambition is to be an attractive and inspiring workplace for all and to foster a culture in which each individual has opportunities to thrive, achieve and develop. We view equality and diversity as assets, and we welcome all applicants.

Ensuring gender balance at the Department of Civil and Architectural Engineering is a high priority at Aarhus University, and therefore, we particularly encourage women to apply for this position. No candidate will be given preferential treatment, and all applicants will be assessed on the basis of their qualifications for the position in question.

Research activities will be evaluated in relation to actual research time. Thus, we encourage applicants to specify periods of leave without research activities, in order to be able to subtract these periods from the span of the scientific career during the evaluation of scientific productivity.

Aarhus University offers a broad variety of services for international researchers and accompanying families, including relocation service and career counselling to expat partners. Read more [here](#). Please find more information about entering and working in Denmark [here](#).

The application must be submitted via Aarhus University's recruitment system, which can be accessed under the job advertisement on Aarhus University's website.

Aarhus University

Aarhus University is an academically diverse and research-intensive university with a strong commitment to high-quality research and education and the development of society nationally and globally. The university offers an inspiring research and teaching environment to its 38,000 students (FTEs) and 8,300 employees, and has an annual revenues of EUR 935 million. Learn more at www.international.au.dk/