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Gannod named computer science chair at Tennessee Tech

Cookeville, Tennessee (February 1, 2017) – Dr. Gerald (Jerry) Gannod has been named Harry C. Stonecipher Distinguished Professor and chair of the Department of Computer Science at Tennessee Technological College of Engineering. Gannod received his bachelor's and master's degrees – and his doctorate in 1998 – all from Michigan State University. Prior to coming to Tennessee Tech he was professor of computer science and software engineering at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, where he directed the Miami University Mobile Learning Center.

In 2012, Dr. Gannod received recognition via an Outstanding Higher Education Teacher Award from *Ohio* Magazine. He is the 2002 recipient of a Career Award from the National Science Foundation, and received a Graduate Student Research Program (GSRP) Fellowship from the NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory in 1994.

"I chose Tech because of the rich tradition, the great people, and the bright future of the institution – amid growing challenges in higher education," said Gannod, "My favorite thing about the academic profession is that we are given opportunities to excel in many different areas. To me, this profession has always been about exploration of an interconnected web of ideas and experiences, while building enriching relationships along the way."



Gannod's research interests include software engineering, enterprise computing, and data science. He has received funding from a wide variety of sources including the National Science Foundation, NASA, and the Air Force Research Laboratory. He currently has research funding from the Ohio Department of Medicaid for work on institutionalizing the use of the Preferences-Based Learning Inventory (PELI) in long-term care facilities.

Tennessee Tech College of Engineering offers ABET-accredited undergraduate programs in chemical engineering, civil engineering, electrical engineering, computer engineering, mechanical engineering, and computer science. At the graduate level, the college offers both master's degrees and a doctorates in engineering. Founded in 1915, Tech offers more than 40 bachelor and 20 graduate programs to almost 11,000 students on its 252-acre central campus in Cookeville, Tennessee. For more information about engineering education at Tennessee Tech, visit www.tntech.edu/engineering (<http://www.tntech.edu/engineering>).

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