PhD positions in the broad area of mechanics of advanced materials are available in the group of Prof. Stefano Gonella (http://personal.cege.umn.edu/~gonella/) at the University of Minnesota.

Some of the current topics of interest are: 1) Mechanics of nonlinear metamaterials and phononic crystals, including soft architected materials and nonlinear lattices; 2) Tunable and programmable metamaterial systems incorporating active and functional materials; 3) Design of metamaterial concepts involving notions of topology, symmetry and disorder.

The ideal candidate is a highly motivated and creative individual with solid foundations in mechanics and/or physics, coding experience and strong communication skills.

Applicants must submit a statement of interest, a detailed resume, indicating education, experience and qualifications, and the names and contact of references. Applications and inquiries should be sent via email to Prof. Stefano Gonella at sgonella@umn.edu. Qualified candidates will be contacted to schedule a follow-up interview. Applications will be accepted until the positions are filled and will be reviewed as soon as they are received.

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