Distinguished Chair and Professor of Nursing—Search # 67478
School of Nursing

The School of Nursing in the Waters College of Health Professions invites applications and nominations for the position of Distinguished Chair and Professor. This position is located on the Statesboro campus.

In January 2017, the University System of Georgia Board of Regents voted to consolidate Armstrong State University and Georgia Southern University. The new, 27,000-student university will be named Georgia Southern University with campuses in Savannah, Statesboro, and Hinesville. The expected timeline for the first entering class will be fall 2018. Complete details are available at http://consolidation.georgiasouthern.edu/.

Within this setting, the mission of the School of Nursing is to prepare a diverse student population to become professional nurses through academic excellence to promote health and enhance the quality of life for citizens in the rural and urban communities they service. The School of Nursing aspires to be the premier center for academic excellence in professional nursing education for the Southeastern United States through transformative learning opportunities that promote a culture of caring and a legacy of lifelong scholarship, leadership and responsible community service and stewardship. The new Waters College of Health Professions building on the Armstrong campus, expected to be completed for the 2019-2020 academic year, will facilitate exciting opportunities for growth in pre-licensure and graduate nursing programs. The successful candidate will have the opportunity to participate in charting a new course for nursing education at Georgia Southern University through course and program development, innovative instruction, and formulating academic partnerships that will provide students with state of the art learning.

Position Description. Reporting directly to the Chair of the School of Nursing, the Distinguished Chair position requires teaching, research and service along with a terminal degree. The successful candidate’s primary responsibilities will include establishing a vigorous research program, teaching in the undergraduate and graduate programs, assuming a leadership role in the School of Nursing’s development of rural community health nursing practice and research leading to graduate degrees. Academic and scientific leadership in developing graduate programs in nursing will also be expected. The position is a tenured/tenure-track, 10-month appointment, and the salary is competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Required Qualifications:
- Earned doctorate in nursing or a closely related field with at least one graduate degree in nursing; NP certification required for teaching in the selected graduate courses.
- Credentials that merit appointment at the rank of Full Professor including a minimum of ten years of full-time teaching at the college/university level and high level of performance in scholarship.
- The proven ability to conduct and direct high quality research in the area of rural community health nursing and a successful grant record in the area.
- Qualifications to provide academic and scientific leadership in developing graduate programs in nursing.
Commitment to teaching, scholarship, and service that is consistent with the College’s priorities for the School and the mission of the University.
Ability to contribute to a positive work environment in the School, College, and University.
Technological literacy and a commitment to integrate technology in teaching and scholarship.
Commitment to professional service within the University and beyond.
Active Georgia Registered Professional Nurse license by August 1, 2018.
Commitment to recruiting, advising, retaining, and mentoring qualified students.
Must be authorized to work in the United States for the duration of employment without assistance from the institution

Preferred Qualifications:
- Certification in rural community health nursing care, experience teaching in and/or administering graduate programs in nursing.
- Experience working with a diverse student body.
- Experience in online instruction and development.

Screening of applications begins March 1, 2018, and continues until the position is filled. The preferred position starting date is August 1, 2018. A complete application consists of a letter addressing the qualifications cited above; a curriculum vitae; and the names, addresses, telephone numbers, statement of teaching and research philosophy, and email addresses of at least three professional references. Other documentation may be requested. Only complete applications submitted electronically will be considered. Finalists will be required to submit to a background investigation. Applications and nominations should be sent to:
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More information about the institution is available through http://www.georgiasouthern.edu or http://chp.georgiasouthern.edu/nursing/. Georgia Southern University seeks to recruit individuals who are committed to working in diverse academic and professional communities and who are committed to excellence in teaching, scholarship, and professional service within the University and beyond. The names of applicants and nominees, vitae, and other non-evaluative information may be subject to public inspection under the Georgia Open Records Act. Georgia Southern University is an Affirmative Action, Equal Opportunity institution. Individuals who need reasonable accommodations under the ADA to participate in the search process should contact the Vice Provost.