Department Chair and Associate Professor/Professor — Search #67659
Waters College of Health Professions / Department of Rehabilitation Sciences

The Department of Rehabilitation Sciences in the Waters College of Health Professions invites applications and nominations for the position of Department Chair and Associate Professor/Professor. This position is located on the Armstrong campus in Savannah.

Georgia Southern University is the state’s largest and most comprehensive center of higher education south of Atlanta. With 141 degree programs at the associate’s, bachelor’s, master’s, and doctoral levels, Georgia Southern is designated a Carnegie Doctoral/Research university and serves more than 27,000 students on three vibrant campuses—the Armstrong campus in Savannah, the Statesboro campus, and the Liberty campus in Hinesville. Georgia Southern offers an attractive campus environment that encourages learning, discovery, and personal growth. Nationally accredited academic programs prepare diverse scholars for leadership and service as working citizens.

Since 1906, the University’s hallmark has been a culture of engagement that bridges theory with practice, extends the learning environment beyond the classroom, and promotes student growth and life success. Central to the University’s mission is the faculty’s dedication to excellence in teaching and the development of a fertile learning environment exemplified by a free exchange of ideas, high academic expectations, and individual responsibility for academic achievement. Faculty, staff, and students embrace core values expressed through integrity, civility, kindness, collaboration, and a commitment to lifelong learning, wellness, and social responsibility.

Within this setting, the Department offers undergraduate programs in Rehabilitation Sciences and Communication Sciences and Disorders as well as a master’s degree in Communication Sciences and Disorders and a doctoral degree in Physical Therapy. The Department has 15 faculty and 5 staff members and approximately 500 undergraduate and graduate students. The Department Chair will support the mission of the Waters College of Health Professions by ensuring that the programs in the Department support an interprofessional approach to healthcare education and by providing leadership to faculty who educate students to become part of a well-trained, compassionate workforce.

Position Description. Reporting to the Dean of the Waters College of Health Professions, the Chair for the Department of Rehabilitation Sciences provides leadership and vision for the Department; advocates for the Department’s needs; provides direct supervision of program coordinators; supports faculty members in meeting their teaching, professional development, service, and scholarship; and ensures the fiscal integrity of the Department. The position is a 12-month appointment and also carries tenured or tenure-track faculty rank at the associate or full professor level. The salary is competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience.
**Required Qualifications:**

- Earned doctorate in a discipline of the department or a closely related field with at least one degree in Physical Therapy, Communication Sciences, or a closely related field;
- Exemplary record of teaching, research, and service appropriate to the rank of tenured associate or full professor in one of the academic disciplines housed in the Department or a related field;
- Record of progressively more responsible leadership positions in higher education;
- Commitment to teaching, scholarship, and service that is consistent with the College’s priorities for the Department and the mission of the University;
- History of demonstrating a collaborative administrative style of leadership, embracing share governance, and building a culture of trust and confidence with faculty, staff, students, and administrators;
- Minimum of 5 years full-time college/university experience at the Assistant Professor level is required for the rank of Associate Professor along with a strong record of research and service with publications and presentations in professional venues;
- Minimum of 5 years full-time college/university experience at the Associate Professor level is required for the rank of Professor along with a strong record of research and service with publications and presentations in professional venues;
- Must be authorized to work in the United States for the duration of employment without assistance from the institution.

Screening of applications begins December 1, 2018, and continues until the position is filled. The preferred position starting date is July 1, 2019. A complete application consists of a letter addressing the qualifications cited above; a curriculum vitae; and the names, addresses, telephone numbers, 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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