The Department of Rehabilitation Sciences in the Waters College of Health Professions invites applications and nominations for the position of Assistant Professor of Physical Therapy and Director of Clinical Education (DCE). This position has the option of being either tenure-track or non-tenure track and is located on the Armstrong campus.

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.

Consistent with the mission of the University and the goals of the Waters College of Health Professions, the mission of the doctoral program in Physical Therapy (DPT) is to educate individuals whose physical therapy skills and knowledge meet the challenges of the rapidly changing healthcare system and the expanding needs for physical therapy services. The program works collaboratively with the physical therapy community to improve the quality of physical therapy care and enhance the scientific basis of professional practice.

**Position Description.** Reporting to the Department Chair, the Assistant Professor and Director of Clinical Education requires teaching, administrative, service, and scholarship responsibilities consistent with the mission and philosophy of the DPT program. The primary responsibilities of the Director of Clinical Education are to plan, coordinate, facilitate, administer, and monitor activities on behalf of the DPT program and in coordination with academic and clinical faculty. These activities include, but are not limited to the following:

- Developing, scheduling, monitoring, and refining the clinical education component of the curriculum;
- Facilitating quality learning experiences for students during clinical education;
- Evaluating student performance, in cooperation with other faculty, to determine their ability to integrate didactic clinical learning experiences and to progress within the curriculum;
- Educating students, clinical faculty, and academic faculty about clinical education;
Selecting clinical learning environments that demonstrate characteristics of sound patient/client management, ethical and professional behavior, and currency with physical therapy practice;
Maximizing available resources for the clinical education program;
Providing documented records and assessment of the clinical education component of the DPT Program (including clinical education sites and clinical educators);
Engaging core faculty in clinical education planning, implementation, and assessment;
Teaching in the DPT program;
Assisting with procedures involved with program reaccreditation.

The Director of Clinical Education, in cooperation with program faculty, establishes clinical education sites and facility standards, selects and evaluates clinical education sites, and facilitates ongoing development of and communication with clinical education sites and clinical faculty. The position is a 12 month tenure-track or non-tenure track position. To be eligible for the tenure-track position, applicants must have an earned terminal academic degree in the discipline or a closely related field. The salary is competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Required Qualifications:
• Earned doctorate in Physical Therapy or a closely related field by August 1, 2019;
• Licensed physical therapist or eligible for licensure in the state of Georgia;
• Minimum of three years of experience as a licensed physical therapist;
• Minimum of three years of clinical supervision of students and/or clinical coordination experience;
• Strong communication, organization, interpersonal, problem-solving, and counseling skills;
• Knowledge of legislative, regulatory, legal, and practice issues affecting clinical education, students, and the profession of physical therapy;
• Meets all requirements related to the Clinical Education Coordinator and core faculty as stated in Standard 4 of the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education PT Standards and Required Evidence;
• Ability to initiate, administer, assess, and document clinical education programs;
• Ability to work independently and coordinate work with colleagues and peers;
• Ability to travel, as needed;
• Must be authorized to work in the United States for the duration of employment without assistance from the institution.

Preferred Qualifications:
• Prior teaching experience in a PT academic program and/or administrative experience in clinical practice;
• Knowledge of educational, management, and adult learning theory and principles;
• Active in clinical practice, especially as applicable to clinical education;
• Active in professional activities at local, state, and/or national levels;
• Earned status as an American Physical Therapy Association Credentialed Clinical Instructor.

Screening of applications begins April 22, 2019, 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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