

## Minimum Qualifications of the Endowed Chair

The qualifications for the Chair holder are:

- Earned doctoral degree and current license or eligible for licensure as Registered Nurse in Louisiana
- National certification in respective clinical nursing specialty preferred
- Established program of extramurally funded nursing research
- Record of NIH funding or similar extramural funding
- History of scholarly leadership on nursing editorial boards, professional associations, or advisory boards
- A curriculum vitae or portfolio that demonstrates a record of research and scholarship

For more information on the Tenet HealthSystem/Jo Ellen Smith, BSN Endowed Chair of Nursing, please contact:

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*The LSU Health New Orleans School of Nursing is located in the heart of downtown New Orleans.*

Become part of the dynamic efforts to re-envision nursing and health care in Louisiana. This Endowed Chair of Nursing will provide research leadership to improve healthcare in a post-Katrina environment still recovering from damage but also with many new developments and exciting possibilities. The Endowed Chair, working closely with the Associate Dean for Nursing Research and nursing faculty and partnering with LSUH-NO colleagues and our hospital partner, University Medical Center (UMC), will establish programs of study that are inclusive of the vulnerable groups represented in this underserved and medically needy area. We invite you to be a force of change and growth, contributing to

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## In honor of Jo Ellen Smith, BSN

The LSU Health New Orleans (LSUH-NO) School of Nursing offers both undergraduate and graduate programs of study. There are three different types of BSN (Bachelor of Science in Nursing) Programs: RN to BSN, traditional BSN, and accelerated BSN (CARE) programs. We offer two master's level programs: Clinical Nurse Leader (CNL) and Nurse Educator. We also have several tracks of the BSN to DNP (Doctoral of Nursing Practice) program which is a practice-focused doctoral nursing degree designed for nurses seeking careers in advanced clinical nursing practice and nurse executive ranks. Finally, we offer a Doctoral of Nursing Science (DNS) degree, which is a research-focused doctoral degree. Each program of study offers dynamic and state-of-the-art learning in nursing practice, theory, and/or research. Visit the LSUH-NO School of Nursing website at <http://nursing.lsuhsoc.edu/> for more detailed information.

The LSUH-NO School of Nursing is located in New Orleans, Louisiana, a culturally rich and diverse area in the Mississippi delta. One of America's oldest and most treasured cities, New Orleans is host to thousands of visitors and the population of the greater New Orleans area is about 1.3 million. Like many areas in the southern US, Louisiana residents have health problems related to poverty and inadequate health care access. The long-term impact of Hurricane Katrina and other natural disasters also offer unique opportunities for research. The LSUH-NO School of Nursing and University Medical Center (UMC) offer the Tenet HealthSystem/Jo Ellen Smith, BSN Endowed Chair, a lush template for nursing research and improving the quality of life and health care for Louisiana's residents.

The Tenet HealthSystem/Jo Ellen Smith, BSN, Endowed Chair in Nursing is named in honor of Jo Ellen Smith, an LSUH-NO nursing student killed in April 1973. Jo Ellen was granted her degree posthumously at the June 1973 graduation.

In keeping with the vision of the Tenet HealthSystem and in dialogues between Tenet HealthSystem and the Smith family, a relationship was established with the LSUH-NO School of Nursing to establish the Tenet HealthSystem/Jo Ellen Smith, BSN, Endowed Chair of Nursing. This Chair represents a lasting memorial in Jo Ellen Smith's name, and recognizes Tenet's partnership in an opportunity to realize broad-based research impact, through the Chair holder's efforts, on nursing and health care in Louisiana and the nation.

## Focus of the Endowed Chair

The LSU Health New Orleans (LSUH-NO) School of Nursing embraces the opportunity to continue the Tenet HealthSystem/Jo Ellen Smith, BSN Chair of Nursing that focuses on research and scholarly endeavors. This noted researcher and scholar will have the opportunity to engage in collaborative research within LSU Health New Orleans (LSUH-NO), including Schools of Nursing, Public Health, Medicine, Allied Health, and Dentistry, and the Graduate School, and our partner, University Medical Center (UMC), to conduct clinical nursing and inter-professional research. These research findings are expected to support state-of-the-science clinical nursing practice and the mission of the School of Nursing.

## Expectations of the Endowed Chair

The expectations for the Chair holder are:

- Maintain an active program of nursing research
- Maintain a consistent record of refereed publications
- Engage in national and international nursing research presentations
- Serve on DNP scholarly project and doctoral dissertation committees
- Develop academic-practice/service partnerships for nursing research
- Mentor junior faculty
- Collaborate with the Associate Dean for Nursing Research, Scholarship and Science in conducting faculty development programs on nursing research
- Submit and receive funding for intramural and extramural research grants