Associate Dean for Nursing Research, Scholarship & Science

Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center (LSUHSC) School of Nursing (SON) invites applications and nominations for the position of Associate Dean for Nursing Research, Scholarship and Science. The Associate Dean serves as a member of senior administration within the School of Nursing reporting to the dean and directs activities for the Office of Nursing Research, Scholarship and Science. The Associate Dean stimulates, promotes, and develops the research interests and related productivity of the SON faculty and manages the Doctorate of Nursing Science Program.

The mission of the Office of Nursing Research, Scholarship and Science is to facilitate and promote the development of nursing research programs and scholarly activities within the SON and to promote continuous quality improvement within the SON through a systematic evaluation process. The Associate Dean will lead the Office of Nursing Research, Scholarship and Science to achieve its strategic goals: develop a research and evaluation infrastructure within the SON; promote and support the conduct and dissemination of scholarly research; increase and strengthen nursing faculty’s research productivity through the facilitation of intradisciplinary and interdisciplinary research interest groups/teams; support faculty development in the area of nursing research and publication; develop a repository of information related to grants, research proposals, best practices, and evaluation; facilitate access to funding opportunities; and promote an environment of continuous quality improvement.

Position Qualifications:
Earned doctoral degree in nursing or a related field; currently licensed to practice as a registered nurse in the United States and eligible for licensure in Louisiana; minimum of five years of experience as faculty within a university nursing school; must demonstrate an advanced level of interpersonal skills within communication, consultation and collaborative interactions; documented record of successful grant writing and research funded at the national level. Experience as a mentor of new faculty researchers and as a director of a research program is desirable.

About LSUHSC:
Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center New Orleans has teaching, research, and health care functions state-wide, through its six professional schools and twelve Centers of Excellence, as well as the more than one hundred hospitals and other health science related institutions throughout the state, region, nation, and the world, with which they maintain affiliations. Component professional schools, each headed by a dean, which now constitute the Health Sciences Center include: Medicine, Graduate Studies, Dentistry, Nursing, Allied Health Professions, and Public Health.

About the School of Nursing:
Of the approximately 2,700 students on the LSUHSC campus, over 1,000 are nursing students. The undergraduate nursing program has over 700 students and there are approximately 300 students in the graduate nursing program. The total SON population is 90% female and 10% male. There are 70 full time faculty in the SON which mirror the student population in terms of gender composition. LSUHSC SON is the only nursing school in Louisiana that offers academic
programs to award five distinct degrees: Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Master of Nursing, Master of Science in Nursing, Doctor of Nursing Practice, and Doctor of Nursing Science degrees.

The vision of the SON is to achieve national eminence as a leader of excellence in nursing education, research, practice, service, and community outreach. The faculty and staff of the SON believe that adherence to core values facilitates the achievement of the vision and mission. The SON’s core values are: Caring, Professionalism, Respect, Integrity, Diversity, and Excellence (CPRIDE). The mission of the SON is to provide local, national, and international leadership in the education of professional nurses to function as generalists, advanced practitioners (clinical nurse specialists, nurse practitioners, and nurse anesthetists), educators, scholars, nurse executives, and researchers who shape the delivery of nursing practice and education.

To learn more about LSUHSC and the School of Nursing please visit: http://www.lsuhsc.edu

About New Orleans:
LSUHSC’s campus is located in downtown New Orleans. Situated on the Mississippi River, New Orleans is a unique city bursting with history, culture, and opportunity. The city’s natural beauty as well as its musical and architectural heritage have been marveled over for centuries. As a cultural destination, New Orleans is unparalleled. The famous cuisine, nightlife, and hospitality are internationally renowned. Events like Mardi Gras and Jazz Fest bring visitors from around the globe. Other cultural offerings include the Aquarium of the Americas, Audubon Zoological Gardens, New Orleans Philharmonic Orchestra, New Orleans Opera and the Essence Festival. The region is famous as a sportsman’s paradise with limitless recreational opportunities. New Orleans also hosts the Saints and Hornets professional sports teams, and the Zephyrs Triple-A baseball team.

Nomination and Application Process:
To ensure full consideration by the search committee, candidates should email the following application materials to NSapply@lsuhsc.edu: a letter of interest, resume or curriculum vitae, a vision statement for the Office of Nursing Research, Scholarship and Science and contact information for five (5) professional references. (References will not be contacted until candidates are so notified.) The review of applications will begin September 30, 2015, and continue until the position is filled. Inquiries and nominations may be addressed to the search committee chair, Dr. Marsha Bennett, at mbenne@lsuhsc.edu. Salary will be competitive and commensurate with qualifications.

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