



BYRDINE F.
LEWIS SCHOOL
OF NURSING AND
HEALTH PROFESSIONS

ANNOUNCING THE INVITATION FOR APPLICATIONS AND NOMINATIONS

for the

**ASSOCIATE DEAN AND
DIRECTOR OF THE SCHOOL OF NURSING**

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

The Byrdine F. Lewis School of Nursing and Health Professions at Georgia State University is accepting applications and nominations for the position of **Associate Dean and Director of the School of Nursing**. Appointed by and reporting to the Dean of the Byrdine F. Lewis School of Nursing and Health Professions, the Associate Dean and Director serves as academic leader for the School of Nursing.



THE LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The Associate Dean and Director is the program administrator of the School of Nursing and is responsible for providing the vision and leadership to achieve the school's mission and goals. This position is a fiscal-year appointment with a 12-month contract.

Primary Responsibilities

- Academic planning and enrollment management
- Management of unit resources
- Recruitment and retention of faculty
- Student and faculty development initiatives
- Oversees curriculum and academic programs
- Community involvement and engagement, including fostering clinical sites
- Strategic planning

QUALIFICATIONS

Candidates must have a master's and a Ph.D. degree in nursing or equivalent and current licensure or eligibility for nursing licensure in Georgia.

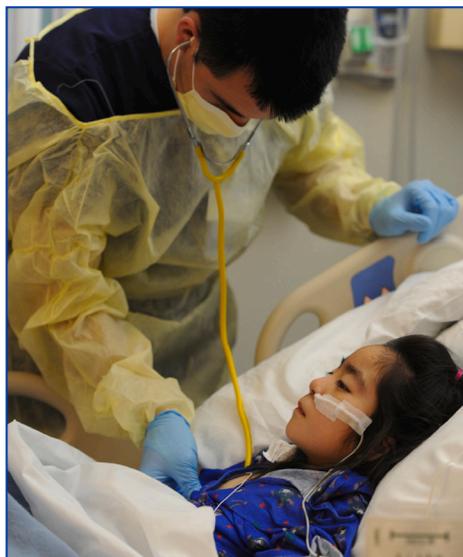
Additional requirements include:

- Record of scholarly achievement, including funded research
- Exceptional communication and interpersonal skills
- Budget management experience

- Academic administrative experience
- Experience working with and mentoring faculty
- Experience with graduate education, specifically Ph.D. programs
- Ability to work as part of an effective management team
- Experience with and knowledge of interprofessional education, practice, and research

LEWIS SCHOOL OF NURSING AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS

The Byrdine F. Lewis School of Nursing and Health Professions is a leader in preparing the next generation of clinicians and scholars who are critical in improving the health of individuals and communities in a culturally diverse society. The school offers



undergraduate and graduate degrees in health informatics, nursing, nutrition, physical therapy and respiratory therapy and is beginning an occupational therapy program.

Since its founding in 1968, the school has produced more than 5,000 nurses, nurse practitioners, educators and researchers. In addition, it has graduated more than 3,000 other health professionals. Graduates of these programs typically boast 90 percent or higher pass rates on the required professional registration examinations and hold pass rate averages that are 15 percent to 20 percent higher than the national average.

SCHOOL OF NURSING

The mission of the School of Nursing is to create a premier multicultural learning community that produces leaders, clinicians, scholars and researchers who exemplify nursing excellence and enhance health care delivery in Georgia and beyond.

The school has 1,798 undergraduate and 510 graduate students enrolled. It is the second largest producer of baccalaureate nursing graduates in Georgia.

The school is committed to graduating nurses who are strongly dedicated to improving patient care. These goals are reached through:

- Educating nurse clinicians, practitioners, scholars, leaders and researchers
- Developing health-related community partnerships

A Legacy of Care

In 2003, Bank of America CEO Ken Lewis provided a substantial endowment that allowed the nursing school to be named in honor of his mother, Byrdine, who was a nurse. The school received college-level status in 2011 when it became the Byrdine F. Lewis School of Nursing and Health Professions.



- Engaging in nursing scholarship, education and research

The school offers three academic tracks to a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree and a Master of Science degree in several areas of specialty, including clinical nurse specialist, nurse practitioner and informatics and leadership, as well as a RN to MS bridge program. Both the Doctor of Nursing Practice and the Doctor of Philosophy degrees are available.

Of the more than 700 nursing schools across the U.S., Georgia State's nursing school is one of only about two dozen that offer a bachelor of science to Ph.D. degree program for nurses. The program is designed to expand America's pool of nursing faculty needed to teach and prepare the growing number of nurses needed to meet health care demands.

Since Georgia State is located in the midst of downtown Atlanta, it is surrounded by unique professional, academic and interdisciplinary opportunities. The students and faculty of the school are committed to meeting the health care needs of multi-cultural, urban populations; this commitment is evidenced in the activities of the Health & Wellness Collaborative and Project Healthy Grandparents, as well as various unique clinical partnerships.

The faculty is comprised of approximately

40 full-time and 20 part-time nurse-educators-scholars who are master teachers, expert practitioners and cutting-edge researchers. They work closely in both the classroom and clinical settings with their students to translate knowledge and skills into care that directly affects the wellbeing of individuals throughout the region and the world.

Clinical learning takes place within more than 200 different sites, offering the student learner the opportunity to practice in a wide variety of settings from trauma/intensive care to long-term and/or home care.

Delivery of culturally competent care is a key characteristic of the school. This concept is enhanced by the nearly 500 nursing students representing a diverse set of backgrounds and cultures. Nursing students rapidly become integrated into the social and cultural life of Georgia State by taking courses with students from numerous majors and participating in many aspects of campus life.

Classrooms and learning laboratories are equipped with state-of-the-art equipment, including human simulator-models.

GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY

Founded in 1913, Georgia State University is one of the Southeast's

major public research institutions and is among the top 100 public universities for doctoral degrees awarded. More than 250 degree programs with 100 fields of study are offered at the bachelor's, master's, specialist and doctoral levels. Students may enroll in day or evening classes and in part-time or full-time study.

More than 32,000 students are enrolled in classes across Georgia State's eight schools and colleges: Andrew Young School of Policy Studies, Byrdine F. Lewis School of Nursing and Health Professions, College of Arts and Sciences, College of Education & Human Development, College of Law, Honors College, J. Mack Robinson College of Business and School of Public Health.

Georgia State has 1,144 full-time faculty with 67 percent tenured or tenure-track. With a student-faculty ratio of 21:1, the university offers a challenging academic environment that emphasizes research and practical experience across the curriculum.

The university is recognized as a national leader in helping students achieve academic success. In the last decade, Georgia State has raised its graduation rate by 22 percentage points, the most dramatic increase of any national university.

Atlanta is integral to Georgia State's educational experience. Its Atlanta-based learning program weaves the city into

the classroom. Internship and service opportunities are offered in and around the metropolitan area.

Georgia State has more than 50 nationally and internationally ranked programs, including: city management and urban policy, computer information systems, health law, nonprofit management, public finance and budgeting, real estate, and risk management and insurance.

Since gaining research university status in 1996, Georgia State rapidly built a dynamic and productive research enterprise that addresses major health and societal challenges. It is one of 108 leading research universities in the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education. Faculty received more than \$101 million in grants in fiscal year 2015, a research funding record.

Georgia State alumni, numbering more than 180,000 worldwide, include leaders in almost every field. More Georgia executives hold advanced degrees from the J. Mack Robinson College of Business than from any school in the Southeast.

Georgia State's athletics program has 15 NCAA Division I teams competing in the Sun Belt Conference. Its football team participates in the Football Bowl Subdivision.

CITY OF ATLANTA

With an economic impact of more than \$1.4 billion annually, Georgia State is located in the heart of downtown Atlanta, the largest metropolitan city in the Southeast. Atlanta's high quality of life helps the university attract top-notch faculty, staff and administrators.

Considered a top business and transportation hub, Atlanta has the third largest concentration of the nation's *Fortune 500* companies, including the world headquarters of The Coca-Cola Company, Delta Air Lines and United Parcel Service.



PBS NewsHour healthcare journalist Susan Dentzer served as the keynote speaker at the 13th annual J. Haverty Lecture, hosted by the Byrdine F. Lewis School of Nursing and Health Professions on Oct. 15.

Complementing its vast business community, Atlanta is a major center for cultural, entertainment and athletic activities. Live theatre, opera, ballet, symphonies, concerts and festivals are among the offerings of the city. Sports fans enjoy a full range of activities from major league baseball, football, basketball and hockey to PGA golf

tournaments and the annual Peachtree Road Race.

Atlanta offers comprehensive healthcare, from local practices to diverse medical centers and hospitals to frontline research. Both the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the American Cancer Society are headquartered in Atlanta.

NOMINATION AND APPLICATION PROCESS

Confidential inquiries are welcomed; nominations are invited.

1. **To apply** - Application packet must include:
 - a) A letter of interest
 - b) Current curriculum vitae
 - c) At least five references with full contact information (references will not be contacted without consent from applicants)
 - d) Your answers to the questions at: www.myersmcrac.com/skins/userfiles/file/MMQuestions.pdf
2. **Submit application packet** to: GSU-Nursing@myersmcrac.com

Nominations should include the name, e-mail, and telephone number of the individual being nominated. Nominations should be submitted to the above e-mail.

For best consideration, submit all materials by **January 10, 2016**.

Emily Parker Myers, President and CEO of **Myers McRae Executive Search and Consulting**, is assisting Georgia State University with this search.



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