

Announcing the Invitation for Applications and Nominations  $for\ the$ 

# McMahan-McKinley Endowed Professorship in Gerontology for the

College of Nursing

Knoxville, Tennessee



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The College of Nursing at The University of Tennessee, Knoxville (UTK), the state's flagship institution, invites nominations and applications for the faculty member who will hold the inaugural McMahan-McKinley Endowed Professorship in Gerontology. This academic leader will have a collaborative role with The University of Tennessee Medical Center regarding geriatrics, including work with the Pat Summitt Alzheimer's Center.

### THE LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The McMahan-McKinley Endowed Professorship in Gerontology at the College of Nursing is an exceptional opportunity for a nurse with experience in adult or geriatric nursing to contribute significantly to research and practice in these areas. This full-time, nine-month faculty member will be a stakeholder in the planning, development and opening of the new Pat Summitt Alzheimer Center. The vision for the center is to be a nationally recognized clinical and research facility for people and families facing Alzheimer's Disease.

The UT Medical Center in Knoxville currently serves more than 3,000 Alzheimer's patients and their families annually and expects to double that number over the next five years with the Pat Summitt Alzheimer's Center.

The holder of this Endowed Professorship in Gerontology will:

- Teach in undergraduate and/or graduate programs
- Continue and expand a program of geriatric research
- Collaborate with The UT Medical Center in Knoxville on geriatric initiatives including the planning of the Pat Summitt Alzheimer's Center
- Engage in professional, university and community service activities

#### **QUALIFICATIONS**

Candidates must have a doctorate (Ph.D. or equivalent), professional experience commensurate with the rank of full Professor or Associate Professor, and eligibility for RN licensure in Tennessee.

Additional desired qualifications include:

- Experience teaching at the undergraduate or graduate level
- Certification as an Advanced Practice Nurse in Adult and/or Gerontology



Candidates who have the ability to contribute in meaningful ways to the diversity and intercultural goals of the University are encouraged to apply.

#### COLLEGE OF NURSING

The College of Nursing at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, is a nationally recognized leader in the education of highly skilled, visionary nurses. The College of Nursing was established in July 1971 in response to a long-recognized and well-established need for nurses prepared at the collegiate level.

The nursing program currently enrolls 493 undergraduates and 114 master's degree and 41 doctoral degree candidates. The College offers excellent educational programs, including traditional BSN, accelerated BSN, and RN-BSN programs; MSN concentrations in administration, anesthesia, family health, mental health, and pediatric nursing; and PhD and DNP programs. A Nursing Honors Program, which provides students opportunities in

The University of Tennessee, Knoxville College of Nursing

## Mission Statement

The College is committed to the delivery of high quality academic programs, to the discovery and dissemination of knowledge through research and other scholarly activities, to the provision of service to the community, and to the promotion of the profession of nursing. Specifically, our unique mission is to facilitate the development of professional nurses who will promote society's health at the local, regional, national, and international levels.



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## Vision Statement

Leading the way in nursing education, research, and practice to maximize and transform health care.



scholarship, leadership, and research, also is available.

Since 2011, the number of faculty members has increased 24 percent, with 63 faculty members this year. The rise in the number of faculty is reflective of the growth of enrollment from 593 students to 672 over the same four-year period.

The College attracts well-qualified students. The 2014 freshman class had an average ACT of 28.1 and high school grade point average of 4.03. Seven percent of the class is male and 11 percent is minority. Nearly all of the students (97 percent) are from in state.

The College of Nursing strives to be a diversified academic community of faculty and students where undergraduate, masters, and doctoral students work collaboratively to become expert nursing professionals for various levels of nursing practice. The College is recognized for its excellent educational programs, unique research emphases, innovative practice arrangements, and services to the community.

The College has a strong record of federally funded collaborative and interprofessional research and programs. A unique resource in the College of Nursing is the Center for Health Science Research (CHSR). It facilitates the research endeavors of the College and assists with the submission of nationally

competitive research proposals.

Another research unit, which is a collaborative research partnership between the colleges of Nursing and Engineering, is the Health Information Technology & Simulation (HITS) Lab. The primary goals of HITS are to advance the science of health information technology and ways to enhance consumer health and professional health education.

Faculty members of the College also staff a Nurse-managed School-based Health Center at a Knoxville middle school. The clinic is a joint cooperative between the UTK College of Nursing and the Knox County Schools Health Services Department. Its mission is to serve those students who have limited access to health care and improve the overall health and wellness of Knox County school children. Support services are provided by undergraduate and graduate nursing students from the College of Nursing.

The College has established numerous Research Interest Groups. Some of the interest groups include Body-Mind-Spirit Research, End-of-Life Journal Club, Grounded Theory Club, Nutrition in the Elderly Research, The Phenomenology Group, Schizophrenia Health Improvement Group, and The Children's Research Group.

## THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE, KNOXVILLE

The University of Tennessee, Knoxville is the state's flagship school and provides a research-intensive environment for interdisciplinary collaboration, with state-of-the-art technology and research resources. UTK had \$248 million in research expenditures in FY 14. The UT-Oak Ridge National Laboratory partnership generates more than \$17 million annually in sponsored research.

With 11 colleges and 300-plus degree programs, UTK has an enrollment of 27,410 students, including 21,451 undergraduate and 5,959 graduate. The University has more than 1,500 instructional faculty and a student-tofaculty ratio of 17 to 1.

This year, UTK had two Whitaker International Scholars, three Fulbright Scholars, two Goldwater Scholars, and a Gensler Brinkmann Scholar.

## THE PAT SUMMITT ALZHEIMER'S CENTER

Pat Summitt was the head coach of the University of Tennessee Lady Volunteers basketball team for 38 seasons and is now "head coach emeritus." She is the all-time



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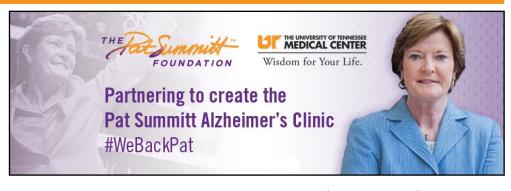
winningest coach in NCAA history for men's and women's teams. In 2011, Coach Summitt bravely revealed the toughest opponent she will ever have to battle, early onset dementia, Alzheimer's type. She is taking on this opponent with her signature game plan to win.

In 2011, the Pat Summitt Foundation was established, dedicated to winning the fight against Alzheimer's disease. Its mission as a grant-making foundation is to advance research for prevention and a cure; to provide hope, care, and critical support for patients, caregivers, and families; and to educate the public on the impacts of Alzheimer's disease and the urgent need for a cure.

In January 2014, leaders of the Pat Summitt Foundation and The University of Tennessee Medical Center announced a new strategic partnership to significantly expand the scope and capacity of the Medical Center's existing Alzheimer's Clinic and establish the Pat Summitt Alzheimer's Center. A national search is underway for a Medical Director of the Center who will lead its development, including the recruitment of clinicians and researchers to advance the Center's scope and impact.

The Pat Summitt Alzheimer's Center will provide timely, comprehensive, and compassionate care, with an experienced multi-disciplinary team, to East Tennesseans faced with cognitive disorders. Further, it will assist the University of Tennessee Medical Center in its unending goal of discovering a cure for Alzheimer's disease through expansion of its participation in clinical trials.

The University of Tennessee Medical Center is the region's only Level I Trauma Center and only hospital to achieve status as a Magnet® recognized organization. The 581-bed, not-for-profit academic medical center serves as a referral center for Eastern Tennessee, Southeast Kentucky, and Western North Carolina.



#### CITY OF KNOXVILLE

Located near the Great Smoky Mountains, numerous lakes, and the Tennessee River, Knoxville is the perfect blend of southern hospitality and modern development. The city and area are rich in culture and natural beauty, offering

many outdoor recreational opportunities and cultural attractions.

Knoxville offers a low cost of living and high-quality residential neighborhoods. Additionally, Tennessee does not have a state income tax.

#### Nomination and Application Process

Confidential inquiries are welcomed; nominations are invited.

- 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.myersmcrae.com/skins/userfiles/file/MMQuestions.pdf
- 2. Submit application packet to: UTK-Gerontology@myersmcrae.com

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

Applications and nominations will be accepted until the position is filled.

Kenny Daugherty, Executive Vice President and COO of Myers McRae Executive Search and Consulting is assisting the University of Tennessee Knoxville College of Nursing with this search.



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