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Inviting Applications and Nominations for

Endowed Nursing Professorship in Health, Well-Being, and Chronic Conditions Innovation



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The **University of Massachusetts Dartmouth**, a dynamic public research university, seeks a collaborative, visionary leader who will accelerate discovery, innovation, and impact in chronic conditions and well-being science. The University invites applications from accomplished nurse educators and scientists for a 9-month, full-time faculty, on-campus position in the Adult Nursing Department in the College of Nursing and Health Sciences. **This Endowed Professorship in Health, Well-Being and Chronic Conditions Innovation will be offered at the rank of Associate or Full Professor.**

A photograph of a large, dark blue rectangular sign with the words "UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS DARTMOUTH" in white, sans-serif capital letters. The sign is set against a background of green grass and colorful flowers in shades of yellow, orange, and purple.

UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS DARTMOUTH

Our Mission

UMass Dartmouth distinguishes itself as a vibrant, public research university dedicated to engaged learning and innovative research resulting in personal and lifelong student success. The university serves as an intellectual catalyst for economic, social, and cultural transformation on a global, national, and regional scale.

Our Vision

UMass Dartmouth will be a globally recognized premier research university committed to inclusion, access, advancement of knowledge, student success, and community engagement.

ABOUT UMASS DARTMOUTH

UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS AT DARTMOUTH (UMASS DARTMOUTH) DISTINGUISHES ITSELF AS A FORWARD-LOOKING PUBLIC RESEARCH UNIVERSITY DEDICATED TO ENGAGED LEARNING AND INNOVATIVE RESEARCH, RESULTING IN LIFELONG STUDENT SUCCESS. The University's story is one of tremendous momentum and continuous expansion. Established in 1895, UMass Dartmouth evolved from its textile roots into a comprehensive, nationally ranked research university that offers an array of highly regarded undergraduate and graduate programs in nursing and health sciences, the liberal arts and sciences, business, engineering, and the visual and performing arts. The University also includes the only public law school in Massachusetts and a School of Marine Science and Technology offering graduate degrees. With an intrinsic student-to-faculty ratio of 15:1, the College of Nursing and Health Sciences has a student-to-faculty ratio of 14:1 with more than

800 students of the university's nearly 8,000 enrolled students, who represent all 50 states and 51 countries. About half of UMass Dartmouth's undergraduate students reside on its 710-acre campus.

UMass Dartmouth has seven degree-granting colleges and schools, and an Honors College. It also offers countless non-degree opportunities for professional and lifelong learners, including licensure, continuing education, and online courses.

The University of Massachusetts Dartmouth values excellence, diversity, transparency, student-centeredness, accountability, innovation, engagement, collaboration, collegiality, and safety.

In 2026, *U.S. News and World Report* listed UMass Dartmouth as a Best College for its Nursing (BSN) Programs, Business Programs, Computer Programs, Psychology Programs and Social Mobility opportunities post-graduation.



College of Nursing and Health Sciences

THE COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH SCIENCES (CNHS) OFFERS NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED, COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAMS IN NURSING AND MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCE. From its modern nursing labs and instrumentation in its MLS labs, to its outstanding faculty and local clinical partners, its rigorous programs prepare students for health science careers.

The College's faculty members combine strong academic credentials with diverse experiences in clinical practice, leadership, and scholarship. They are dedicated to personalized teaching and mentorship.

CNHS is made up of three departments: Adult Nursing, Community Nursing, and Medical Laboratory Science. Nursing has 36 full-time faculty members and offers undergraduate and graduate programs in two Departments: Adult Nursing and Community Nursing.

The College of Nursing and Health Sciences has a total enrollment of 846 as of fall 2025. The undergraduate degree program has students enrolled in the prelicensure traditional and accelerated, and RN to BS tracks. The College also offers graduate nursing programs at the MS, DNP, and PhD levels. Nursing is committed to building scholarship in the areas of chronic illness, nursing education, and global population health. Nursing has a long-standing

teaching and research collaboration with the College of Engineering. Nursing also has a growing portfolio of international collaborations and offers unique clinical experiences through these collaborations. Programs are fully accredited by CCNE.

U.S. News and World Report ranks the College of Nursing and Health Sciences in the **TOP 9% OF U.S. UNDERGRADUATE NURSING PROGRAMS**. It also ranks the **COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH SCIENCES AT #44** for best online master's in nursing programs.

CNHS Vision

The CNHS serves local and global communities through exemplary education and innovative scholarship with a focus on preparing students to excel in their healthcare profession and embrace principles of health justice.

CNHS Mission

To cultivate a dynamic, inclusive, and engaged learning environment that transcends disciplinary boundaries, fosters innovation, and promotes excellence in healthcare education and scholarship.

CNHS Core Values

Caring • Compassion • Diversity
Equity • Inclusion • Belonging • Integrity
Professionalism • Intellectual Curiosity





THE OPPORTUNITY

THIS ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIP OFFERS AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHAPE THE FUTURE OF HEALTH AND WELL-BEING FOR INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES, AND COMMUNITIES LIVING WITH CHRONIC CONDITIONS. The successful candidate will be a visionary nurse scientist and educator, leveraging innovation and evidence-informed strategies to improve health outcomes and promote equitable care locally, nationally, and globally.

The endowed professor will lead and expand interdisciplinary educational opportunities, research, and partnerships focused on innovation in chronic condition care, prevention, and sustainable health and well-being. This will include developing strategic partnerships among academia, health systems, and communities and translating research into practice and policy.

As a national and global thought leader in advancing quality of life for people with chronic conditions, the endowed professor will mentor students

and faculty in generating new knowledge that informs areas such as precision health, person-centered care and the science of well-being. The Endowed Nursing Professor in Health, Well-Being and Chronic Conditions Innovation reports to the Department Chair of the Adult Nursing Department.

QUALIFICATIONS

Minimum qualifications

- Earned PhD in Nursing or related field; if related field, MS in Nursing.
- Active, or eligible for, unencumbered RN licensure issued by the Massachusetts Board of Registered Nursing.
- Academic experience or its equivalent, meeting the rank of Associate or Full professor. Demonstrated excellence in teaching, mentoring, research, and service.

- Demonstrated success in developing an externally funded program of research in areas related to the position, including experience as principal investigator.
- Evidence of national/international leadership in nursing or health-related professional organizations with a focus on understanding and advancing the health and well-being of people with chronic conditions.
- Strong communication, writing, problem-solving, and interpersonal abilities.
- Demonstrated proficiency in written and spoken English equivalent to Level 5 on the Interagency Language Roundtable scale.

Preferred qualifications

- Leadership of multidisciplinary research teams
- Evidence of innovative research related to advancing person-centered care and health and well-being
- Evidence of a sustained program of research in chronic conditions care and well-being science, grounded in relevant frameworks, which may include but are not limited to person-centered care, precision health, digital health, planetary health, and implementation science
- Leadership in teaching and mentoring at the graduate level, with responsibility for advising research for various learner levels
- Eligibility for appointment at the rank of Full Professor

This is a nine-month academic position offering a salary range of \$160K-\$190K.





DARTMOUTH, MASS.

A historic coastal town, Dartmouth is only an hour south of Boston and 30 minutes from Providence, Rhode Island. Known for its maritime heritage, Dartmouth's fishing and boating culture abounds. The community boasts several parks, trails, nature reserves, and beaches along with abundant shopping and dining options.

With its rural charm of villages, farms, a vineyard, and a castle, Dartmouth is surrounded by breathtaking landscapes and waterscapes like Buzzards Bay, Elizabeth Islands, and Cuttyhunk Island.

With a population of around 33,000, Dartmouth has both highly rated public and private schools and excellent medical centers and services.

The nearby community of New Bedford, located along the shores of the Acushnet River, is home to Buttonwood Park Zoo and the New Bedford Whaling Museum.

The campus of UMass Dartmouth is one of the largest and most unified expressions of Brutalist architecture in the United States.

Application & Nomination Process

Confidential inquiries are welcomed, and nominations are invited.



Applications

- 1) All application packets must include the following:
 - a) A letter of interest that addresses the responsibilities and qualifications of the position
 - b) Current curriculum vitae
 - c) At least five professional references with full contact and e-mail information. (References will not be contacted without the applicant's consent.)

A background and criminal report will be conducted on the finalists selected for campus interviews. An appointment with tenure is possible depending on qualifications, experience, and evidence of scholarly accomplishments.

- 2) **Submit application materials online, preferably as PDFs.** Additional information is requested with the submission of materials. **Review of applications begins immediately.** Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. ***Applicants must be authorized for permanent employment in the United States. Employment-based visa sponsorship is not available.***

[Apply Here](#)

Nominations

Submit nominations with complete contact and e-mail information for the individual being nominated.

[Nominate Here](#)

Consultant

Jennifer Barfield, Executive Vice President of **Myers McRae Executive Search and Consulting**, is assisting University of Massachusetts Dartmouth with this search. **Request a confidential conversation at JenniferBarfield@myersmcrae.com.**



The College of Nursing & Health Sciences and the entire UMass Dartmouth community are committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion. The college is committed to a welcoming and respectful community where all students, faculty, and staff feel valued and accepted. It is vital to our educational mission and professional preparation that our classroom and workplace environment build and maintain civility and respect for all. The College is also committed to social justice, reducing health disparities, and educating culturally competent health professionals who will work in an increasingly multicultural society. The College of Nursing & Health Sciences will continue to advocate for diversity, equity, and inclusion within our chosen healthcare professions, amongst our student body, and within society at large.