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USU Searching for New Dean of Graduate School of Nursing

BETHESDA, Md. – The Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (USU) is seeking civilian or uniformed services applicants for the position of Dean of its Graduate School of Nursing (GSN).

The Dean is responsible to the USU President for academic and budgetary planning, educational, and research program development, school accreditation, faculty development, and administration of the GSN. The Dean will serve as a member of the USU president's cabinet and executive leadership team. Candidates must hold a doctoral degree in nursing or a related field and have extensive experience in administration, teaching, and research. U.S. citizenship is required.

As the chief administrator and academic leader of the GSN, the Dean is expected to ensure that the uniformed services are provided with nurses of the highest quality. The Dean collaborates with the Federal Nursing Service Chiefs of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Public Health Service, Veterans Affairs, and the American Red Cross. The GSN provides the administrative aegis for the preparation of all nursing students who receive the Master of Science Degree in Nursing and Ph.D. Degree in Nursing Science while enrolled at USU.

The GSN offers programs in Nurse Anesthesia, Family Health Nurse Practitioner, and Perioperative Clinical Nurse Specialist leading to the M.S.N. The Ph.D. program has a research-intensive focus within the areas of population health and outcomes, operational readiness, and clinical decision making. The GSN is committed to promoting clinical excellence, and furthering research and scholarship in healthcare. The GSN enjoys strong interdisciplinary relationships with USU's F. Edward Hébert School of Medicine and other nearby research institutions. The GSN is accredited by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission and the American Association of Colleges of Nursing Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education.

The GSN is charged to educate students as advanced practice nurses, scientists, and scholars for service as future leaders in military operational environments, federal health systems and university settings. In a dynamic educational environment, the GSN prepares graduate nursing students to provide care, teach, and conduct research for the uniformed services and the federal health care system during peace, disasters, war, and other contingencies.

The University is located on the grounds of the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Md. USU is the nation's federal Graduate School of Nursing and School of Medicine and grants the degrees of M.D., Ph.D., Dr.PH, M.S., M.P.H., and M.S.N. The University is also a partner in planning and establishing the new Walter Reed National Military Medical Center (WRNMMC), a 21st Century academic health center. This new multi-service institution will provide state-of-the-art health care, education, and research across all three services; closely collaborate with the National Institutes of Health and the U.S. Public Health Service; and set a new standard for clinical research and education partnerships.. USU will be the academic core of WRNMMC and will provide a prestigious environment for interprofessional and interdisciplinary program development.

Applications should be received no later than April 16, 2007. Applicants should send: (1) a letter expressing their interest in the position; (2) a curriculum vitae; and (3) the names of three references (references will not be contacted without applicant's prior permission). Nominators should send a letter of nomination and, if possible, the nominee's curriculum vitae. Both regular mail and electronic applications and nominations will be accepted and should be sent to:

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