

Director for Distance Programs, Nashville, TN.
Marian University

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Job Title Director for Distance Programs, Nashville, TN.
Department Nursing
Institution Marian University
Indianapolis, Indiana

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Application Deadline Open until filled

Position Start Date Available immediately

Job Categories Director/Manager

Academic Field(s) Nursing - General

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Job Description

Job Details

Description

As part of a diverse community of faculty and staff who represent many faith systems and worldviews, Marian University seeks a Director for Distance Programs, in Nashville and Assistant Professor for the Leighton School of Nursing (LSON) to promote our Catholic Franciscan mission and identity. This position, under the direction of LSON Associate Dean and the Director for the CRNA-DNP track, creates and strengthens academic-practice partnerships for LSON, teaches in the CRNA track, and provides administrative oversight for the Accelerated BSN track in Nashville. It is a 50% teaching and 50% administrative role. This position participates in decision making for policy related to teaching and advising students in curriculum development, program revisions, clinical site management, student learning outcomes assessment, and other matters as assigned in support of LSON and the mission of

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Marian University. This position is a liaison between LSON, our education partner (Orbis), and any Nashville-based clinical or community partners. The individual in this role is also responsible for data, reporting, and appearances associated with maintaining accreditation requirements. Other duties may be assigned.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities:

Actively engage the Catholic Franciscan mission and identity of Marian University (MU) by modeling the Franciscan Sponsorship Values and honoring the legacy of the founding congregation through transformative education, unity in diversity, leadership through service, integrating faith and life, and institutional policies.

Strengthens the School of Nursing through effective academic-practice partnerships impacting admissions, accreditations, communications, and other relevant partnerships. High-level goals include developing effective partnerships and participating in marketing communications, recruitment, diversity, accreditations, and compliance functions to elevate program outcomes towards a top-tier status.

Communicates regularly and effectively with the LSON Deans and CRNA track director.

Participates in Marian University/LSON committees and departmental initiatives.

Represents and promotes LSON in inter-professional initiatives within and outside Marian University.

Promotes inclusion and diversity throughout the LSON.

Facilitates prospective partnership engagement opportunities between the nursing program, clinical and/or community partners.

Stewards' partnership prospecting strategies and develops new community and CRNA clinical partnerships regionally.

In collaboration with the LSON Deans and Directors, facilitates identification of initial clinical placement sites for nursing students.

High level of proficiency with communication (written and verbal), collaboration and project planning are necessary.

Oversees Nashville student experience, and maintains full compliance with applicable state, regional, and national accreditation standards.

Proctors' exams and provides academic oversight in classroom and clinical settings.

Oversees CRNA simulation and clinical skills laboratories in Nashville; orders supplies and provides recommendations to LSON Deans and CRNA track Director based on assessment activities.

In collaboration with MU Human Resources and LSON administrative team, assists with onboarding needs for new distance faculty and staff.

Collaborates with LSON Deans and/or CRNA track Director, as appropriate, to develop educational innovations in clinical placements.

Collaborates with the Clinical Coordinator to facilitate the completion of clinical affiliation agreements with distance clinical sites, including the execution of contracts and maintaining accurate and current

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Establishes and maintains positive relationships with clinical affiliates.

Collaborates with clinical leaders as needed to ensure the clinical faculty and students maintain clinical compliance. (i.e. immunizations/vaccinations, background checks).

Adheres to the department budget.

Remain current with nursing education best practices and industry trends to enhance the quality of clinical education.

Establish and maintain strong relationships with key stakeholders at both the academic and clinical institutions, including faculty, clinical leaders, administrators, and healthcare providers.?

Build trust and foster open communication to identify shared goals and priorities.?

Analyzes and reports relevant data to LSON Deans, Directors, and Faculty Standing Committees as needed.

Ability to navigate complex organizational structures and build consensus.?

Designs and delivers CRNA course material based on DNP program philosophy, course description, course and program outcomes.

Translates CRNA curriculum to online, hybrid, and synchronized classes.

Evaluates CRNA student work and clinical performance based on outcome rubrics/clinical evaluations.

Monitors and evaluates CRNA student e-portfolios.

Advises/Mentors assigned CRNA students.

Serves as an advisor for students DNP Scholarly Projects.

Engages in clinical practice to maintain professional skills and serve as a model/resource for faculty and students.

Participates in all Nashville student recruitment, student selection, and public relations/marketing events.

Demonstrates proficiency in the use of technology, software, and learning equipment.

Experience with Microsoft Office suite is required; recent experience with a learning management system such as Canvas or Blackboard is preferred.

Competence is preferred in basic statistical analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data.?

Consistent demonstration of professional behaviors, practical judgment, critical thinking and effective problem-solving capabilities are required.

Ability to build impactful working relationships through strong interpersonal skills with an openness to the ideas and constructive feedback of others.

Required Qualifications:

An earned master's degree in nursing is required. Certification as a registered Nurse Anesthetist is required. A terminal degree in Nursing is required; exceptions may be considered if warranted by evidence of degree completion within 6-12 months of hire.

Teaching experience in a university setting is strongly preferred.

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Experience in academic or practice leadership is preferred.

Project management experience is strongly preferred.

Proficiency in use of technology and software is strongly preferred.?

Experience with partner collaboration, goal setting, planning, executing and evaluating new and existing projects and processes is preferred.

Residence in the State of Tennessee is strongly preferred. Any non-Tennessee residents must be willing to travel monthly or more frequently to the clinical education site.

An active, unencumbered RN license in Tennessee and APRN credentials for Tennessee are required; an unencumbered compact or Indiana RN license is required; other state RN licensures and APRN credentials may also be required.

Current member of AANA strongly preferred.

Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled.

For Consideration All Applications Require:

Cover Letter

Current resume or CV

Contact information of three professional references. The reference contact information must be entered after the application is submitted in the "My Presence" section of the applicant profile.

Responses to the supplementary mission & identity questions.

Please Review Marian University's Mission & Identity Statement before responding to the supplementary questions on your application:

<https://www.marian.edu/faith>

Marian University is an Equal Opportunity Employer. All individuals, including minorities, women, individuals with disabilities, and veterans are encouraged to apply.

Contact Information

Please reference Academickeys in your cover letter when applying for or inquiring about this job announcement.

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