



*INVITING NOMINATIONS AND APPLICATIONS  
FOR TENURE-TRACK POSITIONS FOR*

# Distinctive Nursing Faculty Opportunities



**The College of Coastal Georgia** offers exceptional opportunities for well-qualified nursing faculty to contribute significantly to the future of an innovative and collaborative nursing program that is preparing graduates of the highest caliber in an energetic and forward-looking, four-year college setting.

## **Six Reasons to Consider these Nursing Faculty Opportunities:**

1. Faculty rank will be commensurate with education and experience.
2. These 12-month positions are tenure-track.
3. The nursing program is housed in new state-of-the-art facility that is designed primarily for teaching nursing and offers the latest technology in simulation laboratories.
4. Southeast Georgia Health System, a comprehensive health care system serving the eight-county area, is a collaborative, contributing partner of the college's Nursing and Health Sciences programs.
5. The nursing program's primary site for clinical rotations is only blocks from the campus.
6. The College of Coastal Georgia is located in historic Brunswick, the major city serving the Atlantic coast's Golden Isles, which offers high quality of life, mild winter weather, and beautiful beaches.

**To be considered, candidates must have a master's degree in nursing and a doctorate degree, or be near completion of a doctoral program, in nursing or a closely related field. Candidates must be eligible for a Georgia Nursing License.**

## Qualifications

Preference will be given to candidates who possess administrative and leadership experience teaching in a baccalaureate nursing program and recent clinical experience in **psychiatric nursing and/or medical/surgical nursing, and/or critical care nursing**. The ability and the commitment to utilize technology and web-based teaching are required.

Other qualities needed include:

- The ability to maintain collaborative partnerships with area hospitals, health organizations, and the broader community
- Knowledge and understanding of program design, faculty development, and accreditation
- Experience with program planning and assessment that enables the program to achieve goals and standards
- A collegial leadership style that promotes a supportive, responsive working and learning environment for faculty, staff, and students
- Outstanding written, oral, and interpersonal communication skills
- The ability to listen and build collegiality
- The highest standards of personal and professional integrity and credibility



## THE POSITIONS

Applicants should exhibit expertise in clinical practice, research, and nursing education and have the ability and desire to teach in new baccalaureate and accelerated RN-to-BSN completion programs. Candidates must have a commitment to service learning, student-centered learning/teaching methods, and assessment.

The faculty members will be responsible for classroom, laboratory, and clinical instruction as well as teaching and advising. These positions also will have scholarly and service requirements.

Among the responsibilities of these positions will be to:

- Support the vision, mission, and goals of the nursing program as well as the college
- Provide effective leadership within the School of Nursing and Health Sciences
- Participate in the assessment, development, or revision of







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academic programs, and implement procedures and processes that enable the college to meet goals and standards in nursing

- Advance ideas, encourage innovation, support scholarship, and demonstrate respectful leadership within the school
- Assist collaboratively in a manner that promotes a supportive, responsive working and learning environment
- Promote inclusion and diversity within the staff, faculty, and student population of the school

### Dean Patricia Kraft

These positions will report to Patricia Kraft, EdD, APRN, MSN, BC-FNP, who serves as Southeast Georgia Health System Distinguished Dean of the School of Nursing and Health Sciences and Professor of Nursing

at the college. She has more than 20 years of teaching and research experience as well as three decades of practice experience.

Prior to joining the College of Coastal Georgia in 2011, Dr. Kraft served as Associate Provost and Dean of the School of Nursing and Behavioral Health at Carson-Newman College in Tennessee. Previous to her eight years in the dean's role, Dr. Kraft was chair of the nursing program at Waynesburg College in Pennsylvania.

Dr. Kraft's experience includes leading nursing Army ROTC programs and serving as a reviewer with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS). She has a rich history of community involvement and of service in state and national professional nursing leadership organizations.

Dr. Kraft earned her EdD and MSN at West Virginia University, BSN at

West Liberty State College, and ADN at West Virginia Northern Community College. She also completed her Family Nurse Practitioner studies at West Virginia University.

### About the Nursing Program

Coastal Georgia's associate degree nursing program has had a long and successful history of preparing knowledgeable and highly skilled registered nurses. The nursing pre-licensure programs, ASN and BSN, boast an enrollment of greater than 200 students each year.

The National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC) has granted the baccalaureate program of the college's School of Nursing and Health Sciences initial accreditation through spring 2016 and the associate nursing program continuing accreditation through spring 2019. The Georgia Board of Nursing has granted full approval.

The college's Health and Science Building opened in January 2011. A major gift established the Miriam and Hugh Nunnally Center for Nursing Education, which supports capital projects and programming for top-quality nursing education.

### Southeast Georgia Health System

The college's enduring partnership with Southeast Georgia Health System is a testament to the quality of the nursing programs at the College of Coastal Georgia.

The Health System has a strong, ongoing relationship with the College of Coastal Georgia. The college's nursing and allied health students are able to receive hands-on clinical



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experiences at the Health System's facilities. In 2008, the Health System contributed \$1 million to establish the Southeast Georgia Health System Distinguished Dean of the School of Nursing and Health Sciences.

Headquartered in Brunswick, Southeast Georgia Health System serves the residents of the surrounding region. The Health System has two acute-care hospitals, conveniently located Family Medicine Centers, Immediate Care Centers, and two Senior Care Centers. Today, the Health System is heavily reinvesting in its facilities and adding new physicians and services to meet the community's growing health care needs.

### College of Coastal Georgia

The College of Coastal Georgia is a comprehensive, undergraduate state college in the University System of Georgia. The college has a campus in Brunswick and a satellite center in Kingsland, Georgia. It employs

more than 200 faculty and staff and serves more than 3,400 students in baccalaureate and pre-baccalaureate programs.

Embracing service-learning in its mission, the college participates in economic development within the region.

On-campus housing became available

in fall 2011. In the coming decade, the college expects to grow significantly, adding expanded curriculum and a full array of student services.

### Brunswick and the Golden Isles

Brunswick and the Golden Isles, which includes Sea Island, St. Simons Island, Little St. Simons Island, and Jekyll Island, are located on the Atlantic coast, between Jacksonville, Florida, and Savannah, Georgia. Brunswick proper has approximately 16,000 residents, with the metropolitan population closer to 104,000. The vibrant coastal region has historic communities and lovely beaches.

While the city's economy encompasses manufacturing, agricultural processing, and bulk cargoes, tourism constitutes the largest industry in Brunswick and the Golden Isles. Southeast Georgia Health System is the city's largest private employer.

*The College of Coastal Georgia is an equal opportunity, Affirmative-Action institution committed to cultural, racial, and multi-ethnic communities and compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.*

### Applications and Nominations

Review of applications begins immediately. Applicants should submit a cover letter, a curriculum vitae, and letters from three professional references. **To be processed correctly, applications and nominations must be submitted to:**

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