



COUNCIL FOR THE
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NURSING SCIENCE

2021 Leadership Election Results

The Council for the Advancement of Nursing Science (CANS) will welcome four individuals to serve on the CANS [National Advisory Council](#), which guides the direction of CANS activities in collaboration with the American Academy of Nursing. The newly-elected members will assume their roles in October, following the [CANS 2021 Advanced Methods Conference](#), *Inclusion by Design: Methods and Approaches Advancing Diversity, Equity, Inclusivity, and Accessibility in Nursing Research*.

“We are thrilled to welcome four leaders who will help achieve CANS’ mission of Better Health Through Nursing Science,” said CANS Chair Nancy Redeker, PhD, RN, FAHA, FAAN. “During a time in our history where evidence is critically important to the nation’s health, it is vital that we work collaboratively to amplify the voice of nursing science. I would like to extend a special thank you to each candidate who ran. Together we will continue to contribute in significant ways to health through our commitment to research.”

Vice Chair



Victoria V. Dickson, PhD, RN, CRNP, FAHA, FHFSa, FAAN
Associate Professor & Director Pless Center for Nursing Research
New York University Rory Meyers College of Nursing

Victoria V. Dickson, PhD, RN, CRNP, FAHA, FHFSa, FAAN, has been elected to serve as the incoming Vice Chair of CANS. Dr. Dickson currently serves as Associate Professor and Director for the Pless Center for Nursing Research at the New York University Rory Meyers College of Nursing. Her research focuses on investigating the bio-behavioral influences on self-care in persons with cardiovascular disease and multiple comorbidities. As Vice Chair, Dr. Dickson will build on the foundation of CANS and its partnerships to advance inclusion, diversity, equity, and accessibility.



Councilor of Membership



Susan J. Loeb, PhD, RN, FGSA, FAAN
Professor (Tenured)
The Pennsylvania State University

Susan J. Loeb, PhD, RN, FGSA, FAAN, has been elected to serve as the Councilor of Membership. Dr. Loeb currently serves as Professor (Tenured) at the Pennsylvania State University College of Nursing. Her signature research focus is devoted to enhancing the health and care provided to older adults and those approaching end of life in our nation's prisons. In the Councilor of Membership role, Dr. Loeb plans to help grow the initiative and cultivate the next generation of CANS leaders.

Councilor of Programming



Hudson Santos, PhD, RN
Beerstecher-Blackwell Distinguished Term Scholar and Associate Professor
Director, Biobehavioral Laboratory and Health Resilience & Omics Sciences (HEROS) Hub
Director, Training & Mentorship Division, Institute for Environmental Health Solutions
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, School of Nursing

Hudson Santos, PhD, RN, has been elected to serve as the Councilor of Programming. Dr. Santos currently serves as Associate Professor and Director of the Biobehavioral Lab at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Nursing. His research focuses on the psychosocial and biological dimensions of early life adversity and its effects on perinatal and child health outcomes. In the Councilor of Programming role, Dr. Santos plans to develop CANS activities and programs that meet the diverse needs of nursing researchers.

Councilor of Science



Ann Marie McCarthy, PhD, RN, FNASN, FAAN
Professor
University of Iowa College of Nursing

Ann Marie McCarthy, PhD, RN, FNASN, FAAN, has been elected to serve as the Councilor of Science. Dr. McCarthy currently serves as Professor at the University of Iowa College of Nursing. Her research focuses on the impact of chronic illness on children and their families, particularly examining pain management in children and safe medication administration in schools. In the Councilor of Science role, Dr. McCarthy plans to collaborate with stakeholders on funding priorities and recognition for nursing science.