



VICE DEAN OF RESEARCH, COLLEGE OF NURSING  
USF HEALTH

The University of South Florida (USF) invites nominations and expressions of interest for the position of Vice Dean of Research (VDR), College of Nursing.

The USF College of Nursing – a nationally ranked public university for NIH funding – is a world class program shaping the nursing profession and is an integral part of USF Health and the University of South Florida. Since its inception in 1973, the College has been committed to quality clinical care, nursing education at the graduate and undergraduate levels, and innovative research.

Led by Dean Victoria L. Rich, PhD, RN, FAAN, the mission to “Transforming Healthcare, Transforming Lives: Creating the Nursing Leaders of Tomorrow and the Research that Improves Health” is championed by the dedicated faculty and staff committed to the tripartite mission inclusive of education, research, and service. The success of the College of Nursing mirrors that of USF itself. In June 2016 the university, eighth largest among public universities in the U.S., was the first to be designated “Emerging Preeminent” by the governing body of the Florida Board of Governors, which oversees the state’s universities. This designation is based on research funding and comes with significant additional state funding. The prospects for growth in faculty and academic programs for the College have never been more promising.

The VDR, College of Nursing will be an architect of the College’s research enterprise by developing new partnerships and synergies with nursing across the health system in developing new collaboration models for education and research as well as collaboration with many of USF’s other partners and cultivating new relationships, both locally and nationally. The VDR will be influential in marketing, at the national level, the current research expertise and interests of the faculty and students; and politically savvy to navigate conversations with external and internal stakeholders, including government figures, donors, and affiliated organizations on behalf of the College and Dean.

The successful candidate will be a scientific leader of the organization and is expected to be a nationally recognized scholar in their field of study, and will have demonstrated the passion to serve as a champion for faculty, students and staff. They will bring vision to the task of building the College’s research enterprise, coupled with an ability to communicate in a fashion that inspires others to expand the research footprint of USF within the college, the Tampa area, and with academic peers across the nation.

Korn Ferry is assisting USF Health with this important search. Please forward, as soon as possible, applications or nominations of appropriate candidates to:

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