Otterbein University is seeking a Chair for the Department of Nursing.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Doctorate in nursing or related field and Master of Science in Nursing; current licensure as a registered nurse in the State of Ohio or eligible for licensure; demonstrated ability in teaching in baccalaureate and graduate nursing programs; demonstrated academic leader in a nursing department or college of nursing; distinguished research and scholarly achievements; skilled in strategic planning/program development, learning outcome assessment, and budgeting; experienced in grant writing and revenue acquisition for program. Experience in online and/or blended education preferred. This is a twelve month tenure-track position with commensurate expectations for teaching, scholarship and service.

**PREFERRED ATTRIBUTES** of the Chair of the Department of Nursing:
- Supportive of faculty development
- Skilled communicator and motivator
- Supportive of global initiatives
- Progressive leadership style with a commitment to collaborative decision making
- Organizational ability
- Enthusiastic and energetic about nursing education
- Creative, critical thinker; includes experience with data analysis

**WHEN:** July 1, 2014

**RESPONSIBILITIES:** The Chair fosters faculty and program development. The Chair manages the internal affairs of a department and promotes the programs and department externally and forges strong relationships within the community. The Chair provides visionary leadership for the department. The Chair values the liberal arts framework in teaching diverse, talented students as well as a global perspective of health care and community. Evidence of successful teaching at Otterbein is required for tenure and promotion.

**DEPARTMENT:** The Department of Nursing, with 16 full-time faculty; one half-time faculty and 3 teaching staff members, is committed to quality nursing education which fosters critical thinking within the context of a caring framework. Our mission encourages the personal and professional development of
faculty, staff and students. An appreciation for diverse perspectives and humane values is central to this mission. Building on a liberal arts education and a strong science foundation, the goal of the Nursing Program is to prepare lifelong learners who are committed to the profession, the community and to meet the changing healthcare needs of society. Otterbein University offers a 4-year BSN program; accelerated ADN to MSN; and MSN programs with focus in family nurse practitioner, clinical nurse leader, nursing anesthesia and nursing service administration; a post-master’s certificate in family nurse practitioner, nurse anesthesia and nursing education and a DNP program. The DNP (Doctor of Nursing Practice) Program graduated its first class in Spring 2013. The DNP, MSN and BSN nursing programs are nationally accredited

**OTTERBEIN UNIVERSITY** is a private, co-educational, comprehensive liberal arts institution founded in 1847 and affiliated with the United Methodist Church. It is located in Westerville, Ohio, a suburb of Columbus that has been ranked the fifth friendliest town in America by *Forbes* and [Nextdoor.com](http://www.nextdoor.com) in 2012 and 15th on *Money Magazine’s 2009 list of Best Places to Live*. Otterbein enrolls approximately 3,000 students, including full and part-time undergraduates, adult learners, and students enrolled in The Graduate School. Otterbein offers more than 70 majors, as well as individualized fields of study. Master’s degree programs are offered in allied health, business administration, education, educational mathematics and nursing, including courses in its newly-accredited nurse anesthesia program in conjunction with Grant Medical Center. Otterbein’s first doctorate program, doctor of nursing practice (DNP), began classes in spring 2011. Accredited since 1913 by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, Otterbein has consistently placed high among peer institutions in *U.S. News & World Report’s “Guide to America’s Best Colleges”* for over a decade. Otterbein is ranked 17th among 147 schools in its category in the 2014 guide. Otterbein has also been recognized by *Washington Monthly* as a top school for contributions to the public good and by the President’s Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll for its commitment to community service and service-learning.

**WHERE:** Otterbein University is located in Westerville, Ohio, a suburb of Columbus. Westerville has a population of approximately 37,000 people and combines the beauty and convenience of a medium-sized community with the cultural, educational, and economic benefits of Columbus, the state capital, a thriving and diverse metropolitan area of 1.4 million people. Central Ohio is the fastest growing area in the state with stability provided by a diversified economy.

**APPLICATION:** Finalists for the positions will be asked to submit official transcripts for all previous academic work. Send letter of interest, curriculum vitae, and three (3) current letters of reference to: Dr. Barbara Schaffner, Dean of the School of Professional Studies and The Graduate School, Otterbein University, 1 South Grove Street, Westerville, OH 43081. Email submissions: academicjobs@otterbein.edu. Visit us at [www.otterbein.edu/professionalstudies](http://www.otterbein.edu/professionalstudies) to learn more about the School of Professional Studies.

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