



**Founding Dean, School of Nursing
Manhattan University**

An Extraordinary Opportunity to Build a School of Nursing in New York City

[Manhattan University](#) invites applications for the position of Founding Dean of the School of Nursing. This is an extraordinary opportunity for a visionary, strategic, and innovative academic leader to establish and build a nationally respected School of Nursing in New York City, launching in Fall 2028, that will educate exceptional nurses who will become the next generation of healthcare leaders, advance the nursing profession, and serve as a trusted partner to the healthcare community.

As the inaugural academic leader of the School, the Founding Dean will have the unique opportunity to shape its vision from its inception. Working collaboratively with the President, Provost, University leadership, faculty, trustees, and healthcare partners, the Founding Dean will create a School distinguished by academic excellence, innovation, student success, outstanding clinical preparation, and meaningful community engagement.

The successful candidate will be an accomplished academic with the intellectual curiosity, strategic vision, entrepreneurial spirit, and proven leadership ability necessary to build a new academic enterprise. The Founding Dean will possess a demonstrated commitment to excellence in nursing education, scholarship, clinical practice, and service, together with the ability to inspire others around a bold and compelling vision.

Founding opportunities of this magnitude are rare. The Founding Dean of the Manhattan University School of Nursing will have the privilege of building more than a new academic unit. This leader will shape the culture, values, academic quality, partnerships, and reputation of a New York City School that aspires to national recognition for excellence in nursing education, innovation, scholarship, and service.

The Founding Dean will recruit the founding faculty, lead the School through NYSED approval and initial CCNE accreditation, establish enduring healthcare partnerships, guide development of a state-of-the-art Clinical Simulation and Experiential Learning Center, and create innovative academic programs.

An earned PhD in nursing or a closely related field from an accredited institution is required along with academic credentials and scholarly accomplishments appropriate for appointment at the rank of professor. A current, unencumbered New York State license as a Registered Professional Nurse, or eligibility to obtain such licensure promptly upon appointment, is also required.

For further information, consult the full [position description](#).

To Apply

Manhattan University has engaged Opus Partners to support this search. Kenna Boyd, Partner, Katie Dean, Senior Partner, and Marisea Rivera, Senior Associate, are leading the search, which will remain confidential until the final stage of campus visits. For additional information, to nominate qualified candidates, or to apply, contact Marisea Rivera at marisea.rivera@opuspartners.net.

The salary range for this position will be \$300,000-\$325,000 annually.

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