



Good Samaritan College of Nursing & Health Science

Dean of Health Sciences and General Education
Good Samaritan College of Nursing & Health Science
Cincinnati, Ohio

THE SEARCH

[Good Samaritan College of Nursing & Health Science](#) (GSC or College) seeks an accomplished, collaborative, and forward-thinking leader to serve as Dean of Health Sciences and General Education. Embedded within a nationally respected, faith-based health system, GSC is experiencing strong enrollment momentum and system-level support. The incoming Dean will join a new and dynamic team and work with the recently appointed President at a significant time of growth. The Dean will shape the Department's future and advance its role in education, service, and clinical practice.

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The oldest and largest private teaching and specialty health care facility in Greater Cincinnati, TriHealth's Good Samaritan Hospital is a 638-bed academic medical center recognized for clinical excellence, innovation, and its long-standing commitment to education and research. With a regional reach spanning Ohio, Indiana, and Kentucky, the hospital delivers comprehensive services while serving as a cornerstone

for physician training, interprofessional education, and workforce development across the TriHealth system.

Good Samaritan College of Nursing & Health Science is a private, nonprofit, Catholic institution uniquely embedded within TriHealth's Good Samaritan Hospital. With more than 125 years of experience educating healthcare professionals, the College is an integral part of the TriHealth network and its mission to develop a highly skilled, compassionate workforce. Today, nearly 770 students are enrolled across ten academic programs, including nursing, surgical technology, radiologic technology, health science, a bachelor's degree in health care administration, medical assistant, and medical reimbursement programs, preparing graduates for meaningful, in-demand careers across the healthcare continuum.

The Department of Health Sciences and General Education offers five programs: Associate of Applied Science in Surgical Technology, Associate of Science in Health Science, Associate of Science in Radiologic Technology, Bachelor of Science in Health Care Administration, and Medical Assistant Certificate.

The successful candidate will be highly collaborative, data-driven, and results-oriented with a deep understanding of current trends in health science and the evolving landscape of healthcare. With priority access to clinical and practicum placements across the TriHealth system, strong institutional support, and dedicated funding from TriHealth, the Dean will be uniquely positioned to shape innovative, workforce-aligned programs that respond to regional and national healthcare needs.

Candidates must hold a doctorate and have significant experience in healthcare leadership, education, and practice. Experience and knowledge in allied health clinical settings is preferred.

Good Samaritan College of Nursing & Health Science has retained Isaacson, Miller, a national executive search firm, to assist in this recruitment. Please direct all applications, nominations, and inquiries to Isaacson, Miller, as indicated later in this document.

GOOD SAMARITAN COLLEGE OF NURSING & HEALTH SCIENCE

Good Samaritan College of Nursing & Health Science is a private, nonprofit, Catholic college founded by the Sisters of Charity and located inside Good Samaritan Hospital. GSC has been educating healthcare professionals for over 125 years and is part of the TriHealth network. Students have priority clinical and practicum placement within the TriHealth system. Students take classes while building connections at the hospital, so that they are prepared for their career upon graduation.

Faculty, Staff, and Students

GSC's 45 faculty members include 40 full-time and 5 part-time. The College is supported by a talented group of 23 staff members. In 2025, approximately 770 students were enrolled across its ten programs; most are adult, commuter learners seeking flexible options.

Academic Programs

The College offers ten programs and has a General Studies designation for students who are admitted to the GSC but have not completed all necessary pre-requisites to be admitted to their program through selective admissions.

- Associate of Applied Science in Nursing, including licensed practical nurse (LPN) to registered nurse (RN) option
- Associate of Applied Science in Surgical Technology
- Associate of Science in Health Science
- Associate of Science in Radiologic Technology
- Bachelor of Science in Health Care Administration
- Bachelor of Science in Nursing Completion Program
- Certified Nursing Assistant Course
- Medical Assistant Certificate
- Medical Reimbursement Certificate
- Practical Nursing

Many programs offer a flexible curriculum with online, on campus, part-time, or full-time options available as well as spring, summer, and fall cohorts.

The TriHealth partnership bridges education and clinical practice, giving students a clear pathway from the classroom to their careers. Students benefit from priority clinical and practicum placements across the TriHealth system, gaining hands-on experience while building meaningful professional connections. This integrated approach ensures graduates are career-ready from day one. TriHealth further supports students with incentives for employment within the system both during their studies and after graduation, reinforcing a seamless transition into the healthcare workforce.

Graduates from the Associate of Applied Science in Nursing achieved a 91.23 percent first-time pass rate on the 2024 National Council Licensure Exam (NCLEX-RN). This pass rate parallels the national average of 91.2 percent.

Accreditation

The baccalaureate degree program in nursing is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN). In spring 2019, the College was granted full accreditation by ACEN for an eight-year term, extending through spring 2027.

The Associate of Applied Science Surgical Technology Program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs upon the recommendation of Accreditation Review Council on Education in Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting.

The Radiologic Technology Program is accredited by The Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology. In summer 2021, the College was granted full accreditation for an eight-year term, extending through summer 2029.

Strategic Plan

In 2020, the College created a five-year [strategic plan](#) with the following goals:

- Quality and Academic Excellence: GSC will be the leading hospital-based institution of higher education in the tri-state area to produce successful graduates who are productive professionals in health care with a high level of applied knowledge and skills.
- Community Engagement: GSC will preserve and expand its community reputation and positive brand identity.
- Growth: GSC will engage in consistent and ongoing strategic enrollment management to expand its programs and services within the community.
- Faculty/ Staff Engagement: GSC will ensure access to quality education and services through ongoing improvements to internal processes, technology, and facilities infrastructure, as well as team member learning growth.
- Financial Stewardship: GSC will demonstrate sound financial stewardship to ensure the College's long-term sustainability and growth.

Since implementing its five-year strategic plan, GSC has made notable progress across all outlined goals. The College continues to graduate students with high first-time NCLEX-RN pass rates, demonstrating strong academic outcomes. Strategic partnerships, such as the collaboration with TriHealth, have enhanced clinical experiences and community connections, while ongoing accreditation affirms the quality of GSC's programs. Additionally, the college has shown commitment to responsible financial management and sustained growth through careful budget oversight and diversified revenue streams.

Alumni and Development

GSC has a robust alumni community with more than 5,000 alumni on its roster. Alumni engagement and communication are coordinated closely with the Good Samaritan Foundation through initiatives such as email newsletters and fundraising campaigns. The President attends quarterly alumni board meetings. GSC hosts an annual Alumni Homecoming weekend, highlighted by a milestone dinner honoring classes celebrating 5-, 10-, 20-, 25-year (and subsequent) reunions. Alumni generously support numerous college funds, including the White Coat Ceremony Fund and various scholarship funds, and the alumni association is formally represented at all GSC ceremonies, such as the White Coat Ceremony, Pinning Ceremony, and Commencement. In addition, GSC partners annually with the Good Samaritan Foundation on the Scholarship Awards Banquet, an event that is largely attended and funded by alumni.

Leadership

Amy Waldbillig, MPA, was recently appointed President. Ms. Waldbillig comes to Good Samaritan College of Nursing & Health Science from Cincinnati State Technical and Community College, where she has served as the Vice President, Enrollment Services and Workforce Development and Executive Director, 10,000 Small Businesses, a Goldman Sachs' Program since 2018. Prior to joining Cincinnati State Technical and Community College, Ms. Waldbillig served in various roles as Assistant Superintendent, Performance and Accountability; Vice President, Adult Workforce Education; and Executive Director of Workforce Development at Butler Tech.

Ms. Waldbillig earned a Bachelor of Arts in English Literature with a minor in Italian Language from Miami University and a Master of Public Administration from the Pennsylvania State University.

Marla Silliman, MBA, BSN, has served as Senior Vice President of Strategic Business Planning and Consumer Insights at TriHealth since 2018. Prior to this role, she was the Senior Executive Officer for the Florida Hospital for Children and Women's Network, where she led the development, implementation, and oversight of the statewide Florida Hospital for Children network and the Florida Hospital for Women network. During her tenure, she also directed the strategic growth of more than 35 specialty programs and oversaw the recruitment of over 200 physicians.

A seasoned healthcare executive with a strong reputation and a track record of delivering positive results in highly competitive markets, Ms. Silliman combines operational expertise with strategic vision. She earned a BS in Nursing from Atlantic Union College in South Lancaster, Massachusetts, and an MBA from the Hagan School of Business at Iona College in New Rochelle, New York.

Terri Hanlon-Bremer, MSN, RN, is the President and Chief Executive Officer of TriHealth. She assumed this role in June 2026 after serving as TriHealth's Chief Operating Officer since 2022. Under Ms. Hanlon-Bremer's leadership, TriHealth's operational rigor has been enhanced to ensure top performance in quality, service, and financial strength.

A registered nurse with a master's degree in nursing administration, Ms. Hanlon-Bremer has more than 30 years of healthcare experience. She started her career as a cardiac nurse and joined TriHealth's leadership team in 2007. Since then, she has assumed roles of increasing leadership responsibilities, including leading TriHealth's population health strategy. Through balanced and thoughtful leadership, Ms. Hanlon-Bremer's ability to manage complex operational and strategic initiatives across TriHealth's expansive delivery system has resulted in improved patient outcomes, industry-leading team member and physician engagement, and enhanced customer satisfaction. She has received regional and national awards and recognition for her achievements at TriHealth, including Modern Healthcare's Top 25 Innovators Award in 2022, and is a sought-after national voice on TriHealth's population health journey. She is a member of Class 48 of the Cincinnati Regional Chamber's Leadership Cincinnati program, the American College of Healthcare Executives, and the Mason Port Authority Board. Since 2022, she has served on the Board of Directors of the Cincinnati chapter of the American Heart Association and served

as the Chair of the 2026 Cincinnati Heart Mini-Marathon & Walk. She formerly served as Chair of the Cincinnati chapter of the American Diabetes Association, and as a mentor with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Cincinnati. Ms. Hanlon-Bremer dedicates her time and leadership skills to several community initiatives, including Girls on the Run, as well as her church, further demonstrating her commitment to service and leadership.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SCIENCES AND GENERAL EDUCATION

The department's 19 faculty members include 16 full-time, two part-time, one as needed and is supported by seven staff members. Each of the Radiologic Technology and Surgical Technology programs has a dedicated clinical coordinator. This year, 377 students enrolled across its five programs.

- Associate of Applied Science in Surgical Technology
- Associate of Science in Health Science
- Associate of Science in Radiologic Technology
- Bachelor of Science in Health Care Administration
- Medical Assistant Certificate

Finances

The Dean oversees a department operating budget of \$3.1 million. The College has an endowment of nearly seven million. The College derives revenues from these principal sources: degree and certificate program tuition and fees, gifts and endowment payouts, and other miscellaneous income. Good Samaritan Hospital is mainly a tuition funded institution with support from TriHealth.

ROLE OF THE DEAN

Reporting to the President at GSC, the Dean serves as the academic and administrative officer of the Department, with overall responsibility for its academic programs, clinical practice and affiliations, and operational functions. The role includes oversight of faculty recruitment and development, resource allocation, accreditation, and the growth of programs aligned with evolving healthcare needs. The Dean cultivates a collaborative, high-performing environment that supports excellence in teaching, service, and practice, while strengthening partnerships with health systems and community organizations.

All faculty report directly to the Dean.

KEY OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES FOR THE DEAN

Substantial opportunities await the new Dean. These include:

Advance a cohesive and forward-looking vision

The Department is well positioned for growth. The next Dean will be a strategic leader who brings creativity and clarity to advancing the Department's future. Working collaboratively with faculty, staff, and partners, the Dean will articulate and execute a compelling vision focused on high-impact academic programs aligned with student demand and workforce needs; curricular excellence and innovation; thoughtful integration of advanced technology; and meaningful service to communities across the state. Central to this work is fostering interdisciplinary collaboration across the College and with external partners to ensure sustained excellence and impact.

Drive strategic enrollment and program expansion

The Dean will have a distinctive opportunity to lead intentional growth in health science programs aligned with healthcare needs of Cincinnati and the broader region. The Dean will assess the Department's existing portfolio, grow existing programs that are in-demand, identify opportunities for new or expanded academic programs and credentials, and ensure that programs remain responsive to the needs of students, employers, and the region. The Dean will take an expansive view of the Department's academic portfolio, evaluating curriculum, developing new courses and programs, strengthening accreditation, and using student learning and program outcomes to drive continuous improvement. This work will include identifying opportunities to enhance existing offerings and build innovative programs that position the Department for long-term growth and excellence. GSC's deep integration with TriHealth provides a strong foundation for broadening clinical training opportunities and strengthening the workforce pipeline.

Further academic-practice partnerships

The Dean will provide strategic oversight of the Department's clinical learning environment and partnerships with healthcare systems to ensure that students have access to high-quality experiential learning and that academic programs reflect practice. The Dean will assess the Department's clinical education infrastructure and identify opportunities to strengthen these resources, while engaging practitioners and employers in shaping curriculum and preparing students for the workforce. Building on established collaborations with TriHealth, the Dean will expand and deepen partnerships that provide robust clinical training environments and meaningful patient-care experiences, positioning graduates to meet evolving healthcare and workforce needs locally and nationally.

Lead a connected and inclusive community

Community is central to the mission of the College, with students at its core. The Dean will foster a student-centered, inclusive environment that attracts exceptional learners and supports their success through a rigorous, equitable, and supportive academic experience. As a visible and engaged leader, the Dean will address student concerns, strengthen academic and personal support systems, promote wellness and professional development, and uphold high standards of academic integrity to prepare graduates who are competent, resilient, and workforce ready. At the same time, the Dean will cultivate a

collegial and inclusive culture for faculty and staff by supporting mentorship, professional development, wellness, and collaboration.

QUALIFICATIONS AND CHARACTERISTICS

To ensure the Department's success, the Dean will demonstrate the following qualifications and characteristics:

- Earned doctorate in a relevant field;
- Five to seven years of progressive leadership experience in higher education from a regionally accredited institution;
- A background in allied health or health professions;
- Three to five years of clinical or professional healthcare experience;
- Ability to expand collaboration with other departments, clinical practices and the TriHealth system partner.

CINCINNATI, OHIO

Cincinnati is a thriving creative city full of culture and diversity. As a small town in a large city, the southern charm of Northern Kentucky meets an urban vibrancy wrapped up in a strong midwestern sense of community. Additional details about Cincinnati can be [found here](#).

APPLICATIONS, INQUIRIES, AND NOMINATIONS

Screening of complete applications will begin immediately and continue until the completion of the search process. Inquiries, nominations, referrals, and CVs with cover letters should be sent via the Isaacson, Miller website: <https://www.imsearch.com/open-searches/good-samaritan-college-nursing-and-health-science/dean-health-sciences-and-general>.

Electronic submission of materials is strongly encouraged.

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At TriHealth, inclusion and belonging are our commitment to team members feeling accepted, respected, and valued for who they are as authentic individuals. Team members, regardless of tenure, are actively seen, welcomed, heard, and involved fostering a strong sense of psychological safety and trust. By prioritizing inclusion and belonging, we strengthen relationships, advance health equity, and support the well-being of our people and culture that translates into excellence in the compassion and care we provide to all those we serve.

All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability, or status as a protected veteran.

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APPENDIX

TriHealth

[TriHealth](#) is a large, integrated, not-for-profit health care system serving the Greater Cincinnati region. It was created in 1995 through a strategic partnership between Bethesda Hospital and Good Samaritan Hospital, with the aim of providing world-class care across a coordinated network. TriHealth is the third largest employer in the region, with approximately 14,117 team members.

Today, TriHealth's hospital network includes multiple core hospitals and care facilities that together deliver comprehensive inpatient, outpatient, emergency, and specialty care. Through these two acute care hospitals and the addition of [McCullough-Hyde Memorial Hospital](#), [Bethesda Butler Hospital](#), [TriHealth Clinton Regional Hospital](#) and more than 130 sites of care, TriHealth provides a wide range of clinical, educational, preventive, and social programs. TriHealth's non-hospital services include physician practice management, fitness centers and fitness center management, occupational health centers, home health, and hospice care.

TriHealth's strength lies in its integrated system of hospitals, ambulatory centers, specialists, and community health services working together under one mission to improve health with compassionate, accessible care.

TriHealth offers many [education](#) opportunities for students, physicians, nurses and the community.

The [TriHealth Hatton Research Institute](#) supports healthcare practices in the greater Cincinnati community in an environment where quality, safety, respect, innovation and education are integral to every aspect of patient care. The Hatton Research Institute:

- Improves the quality of care and expands care options for our patients through participation in leading clinical studies and collaboration with the nation's top health research institutions
- Creates opportunities for scientific inquiry, collaboration, and the pursuit of knowledge among healthcare providers
- Provides first-in-class medical education and training to residents, fellows, and clinicians using innovative technologies

Good Samaritan Hospital

As the oldest and largest private teaching and specialty health care facility in Greater Cincinnati, TriHealth's [Good Samaritan Hospital](#) is among the best hospitals in the region, providing a range of quality services to patients in Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky.

Its dedicated team of specialists combines the use of state-of-the-art technology with compassionate care to deliver a comprehensive range of services, including:

- Cancer & Blood Institute
- Heart & Vascular Institute
- Neuroscience Institute
- Primary Care
- Orthopedic & Sports Institute
- Surgical Institute
- Women's Services Institute
- 24-Hour Emergency medicine
- Behavioral Health
- Imaging and Radiology
- Breast Care/Mammography
- Gastroenterology
- Infusion Therapy
- Labor and Delivery
- Palliative Care
- Physical Therapy/Rehabilitation
- Stroke Care
- Weight Management
- Wound Healing

Recognized for its progressive approach to care, Good Samaritan Hospital earned the Comprehensive Stroke Center designation from The Joint Commission, an honor bestowed on only 3.5% of hospitals in the U.S. for stroke care.