



## Catalysts for Sustainability

**School of Nursing & Health Professions: Open-rank, Tenure-track Professor (Assistant or Associate Professor Position)**

### **Description:**

Rowan University's newly launched Catalysts for Sustainability program seeks to hire ten new faculty to develop, advance, and communicate solutions to humanity's most pressing existential threats posed by the climate and biodiversity crises. The university-wide cohort will lead and collaborate across colleges, disciplines, and communities, catalyzing new initiatives in sustainability research, advocacy, and education while leveraging existing strengths. This project builds upon Rowan University's strategic pillars (access, affordability, quality, and serving as an economic engine) and furthers our commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion. Successful candidates will demonstrate expertise related to the climate and biodiversity crises in one or more of the following areas: environmental justice; education and public engagement including storytelling; public policy and advocacy; discipline-specific sustainability scholarship; and sustainability practice.

The School of Nursing & Health Professions is seeking a qualified individual to serve as one of the ten new faculty in the Catalysts for Sustainability program. This individual will engage in teaching, research and service which is centered on the climate and biodiversity crises as it relates to health and well-being. This person must have a passion for teaching undergraduate and graduate students, as well as a desire to engage in research and community service around sustainability and the climate and biodiversity crises. The development and teaching of academic courses that are built upon a sound pedagogy is essential in this position. Ideally, the individual will engage students in their research and their research will inform and enhance their classroom instruction. The home department of this new faculty member will be determined by their academic area of expertise, with the possibility of a joint appointment across the two departments in the School.

The successful candidate will be encouraged to develop collaborative multidisciplinary projects with other faculty hired as part of the Catalysts cohort, as well as faculty who are part of the

University's two schools of allopathic ([www.rowan.edu/coopermed/](http://www.rowan.edu/coopermed/)) and osteopathic ([www.rowan.edu/som/](http://www.rowan.edu/som/)) medicine. The candidate will lead education and advocacy efforts both on campus and in the community.

**Qualifications:**

- Applicants must have a Ph.D. from an accredited institution of higher education in a relevant field appropriate to addressing the health implications of the biodiversity and climate crisis in the fields of public health, nursing and other health professions.
- Candidates are expected to have a strong record of research and be able to successfully compete for external funding. Evidence of excellence in teaching and prior experience teaching at the university level is desired.
- Successful candidates will have the ability to teach undergraduate and/or graduate courses in the area of environmental health and to contribute to courses in which nurses, dietitians, public health workers and other health professionals are prepared to address the impacts of the climate and biodiversity crisis on the populations they serve through their professional practice.

**Additional Qualifications:**

- Demonstrated commitment to working in an environment devoted to collaboration, collegiality, professional development, diversity, scholarly inquiry, student learning, civic responsibility, and respect for all people
- A teaching philosophy that is student-centered, inclusive, equitable for all students, and recognizes and values diverse individuals and viewpoints
- Knowledge of current research-based best teaching practices and the role of technology in teaching and learning

**Application Deadline:**

Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the positions are filled for a start date of September 2022.

**How to Apply:**

Interested candidates should submit, as a single pdf through the online application system: (1) a curriculum vitae; (2) a detailed description of research plans; (3) a statement of teaching philosophy; (4) copies of undergraduate and graduate transcripts; and (5) three (3) letters of recommendation to be sent on their behalf.

**General Information:**

If you have questions regarding the position, please contact Dr. Peter Rattigan, Dean of the School of Nursing & Health Professions, at [rattigan@rowan.edu](mailto:rattigan@rowan.edu).

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The School of Nursing & Health Professions was founded July 1, 2021. The School includes the Department of Nursing and the Department of Health and Exercise Science, providing a rigorous and enlightening intellectual environment for the professional development, achievement and distinction of leaders in Nursing, Public Health and Wellness, Health Promotion and Fitness Management, Nutrition & Dietetics, Athletic Training, and Exercise Science. It has earned national accreditation when available for each of its programs. All of the Nursing programs, including the graduate degrees and the RN to BSN program, are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education. The Public Health and Wellness Program is currently pursuing accreditation from the Council on Education for Public Health.

Rowan University promotes a diverse community that begins with students, faculty, staff and administration who respect each other and value each other's dignity. By identifying and removing barriers and fostering individual potential, Rowan will cultivate a community where all members can learn and grow. The Rowan University community is committed to a safe environment that encourages intellectual, academic, and social interaction and engagement across multiple intersections of identities. At Rowan University, creating and maintaining a caring community that embraces diversity in its broadest sense is among the highest priorities.