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AN INTRODUCTION: UIC COLLEGE OF NURSING

The College of Nursing at the University of Illinois Chicago is transforming health, healthcare and policy through knowledge generation and translation, while also educating future leaders from diverse backgrounds. UIC Nursing is committed to advancing nursing leadership by preparing students to meet the challenges of providing high-quality care to diverse populations in a cost-effective manner, and to generate new knowledge through innovative, relevant research.

Since its founding in 1951, the UIC College of Nursing has become a powerhouse in healthcare. The college is delivering an unparalleled education at six locations throughout Northern and Central Illinois, serving an ambitious student body that represents the diversity that has become synonymous with the University of Illinois Chicago. Our faculty distinguish themselves nationally and internationally with their consequential, life-changing research. The college is committed to education, research and practice in service of eliminating health disparities and caring for underserved populations, locally and globally. Indeed, UIC Nursing is elevating the profession of nursing by all measures.

The UIC College of Nursing has programs for future and current nurses at every level of their career. And all of our high-quality programs are contemporary and evidence-based, often incorporating new knowledge generated by our own distinguished faculty. Students studying at any of our six campuses experience a dynamic, student-centered school recognized as a leader in nursing education, research and practice. UIC Nursing houses the $6.1 million, state-of-the-art M. Christine Schwartz Experiential Learning & Simulation Laboratory, which is among the largest at any U.S. nursing school and was fully funded by philanthropic gifts.

Currently, more than 1,500 baccalaureate and graduate students [1570 students enrolled for 2019-20] are learning to apply science to solutions at our six Illinois locations. And as one of seven health sciences colleges and the care-delivery enterprise that make up UI Health, nursing students engage in interprofessional classroom and clinical opportunities.

- #6 DNP program among all such programs nationwide / #1 in the Midwest
  - U.S. News & World Report
- #19 MS program among all such programs nationwide / #4 in the Midwest
  - U.S. News & World Report
- #3 RN to BSN program among all online bachelor’s degree programs nationwide
  - U.S. News & World Report
- #8 among U.S. nursing schools for NIH funding
- Since 1986, home to the World Health Organization’s first U.S. Collaborating Centre for Nursing and Midwifery
THE OPPORTUNITY

Nominations and applications are invited for the position of Dean of the College of Nursing at the University of Illinois Chicago (UIC). The UIC College of Nursing has a long history of excellence in nursing leadership, research, education and practice at the University of Illinois Hospital & Health Sciences System (UI Health) and throughout urban and rural communities locally and globally.

The Dean has executive responsibility for the College and reports to the UIC Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs, who oversees UIC’s seven health science colleges and the care delivery system. (www.vcha.uic.edu). The position of Dean requires dynamic leadership, innovative vision, as well as outstanding communication and administrative skills. The Dean should build, sustain and expand clinical, research and educational programs locally and globally. The Dean must be able to align essential internal and external constituencies toward common goals and to garner resources through leadership of the clinical enterprise, education, fundraising, extramural research support and prudent budgeting and resource management.

The College is committed to increasing diversity in our college community and incorporating teaching, practice and scholarship focused on the moral and ethical principles that founded the nursing profession. The Dean will embrace UIC Nursing’s commitment to condemning racism in all its forms and supporting education, policies and practices that advocate for equity and social justice for all people. The College is committed to eliminating structural and anti-Black racism. UIC Nursing is dedicated to strengthening our alliance with and support of all individuals and communities at risk of marginalization and/or violence including Black, Brown, Indigenous, People of Color, LGBTQ persons, religious minorities, immigrants and people with disabilities.

Candidates should have a doctorate in nursing or a related field; an outstanding record of scholarly achievement, professional accomplishments and qualifications consistent with appointment as a full professor and eligible for tenure; demonstrated commitment to diversity and fostering an inclusive environment; success as a mentor to faculty and students; excellence in teaching and learning, and support of shared faculty governance; experience with Interprofessional Practice and Education (IPE) programs; strong collaborative negotiating and administrative leadership experience as well as and a national reputation. Eligibility for RN licensure by the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation in Nursing is required.
MISSION, VISION, GOALS:

The MISSION of the College of Nursing at the University of Illinois Chicago is to transform health, healthcare and policy through knowledge generation and translation, and education of future leaders from diverse backgrounds.

Our VISION is to be the preeminent leader in advancing global health and nursing.

Our key GOALS include:

1. Develop a diverse, collaborative, intellectual community. *(Read the college’s official statement on equity and inclusion.)*
2. Prepare and enable nurses to lead change to advance local and global health
3. Develop innovative educational models to accelerate the development of highly competent clinicians and scholars.
4. Generate knowledge that has a lasting impact on health, healthcare, and policy.
5. Build faculty excellence in teaching, scholarship, practice and service.
6. Build staff excellence in administration and delivery of college programs and products.
7. Maintain financial viability while decreasing dependency on state funds
ACCREDITATION:

The University of Illinois at Chicago is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

The baccalaureate degree in nursing, master’s degree in nursing, and doctor of nursing practice degree at the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Nursing are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE), which is a U.S. Secretary of Education-recognized national accreditation agency. The commission ensures the quality and integrity of nursing programs and serves the public interest by assessing and identifying programs that engage in effective educational practices.

The UIC College of Nursing’s bachelor’s, master’s, DNP and post-DNP certificate programs earned 10-year accreditation by the CCNE in 2019.

UIC Nursing programs not under the purview of CCNE include PhD and the DNP specialties in nurse-midwifery and nurse-midwifery/women’s health nurse practitioner.

The college’s baccalaureate and graduate-entry programs are also approved by the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. The Nurse-Midwifery program is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Midwifery Education through January 2022.

The College of Nursing holds membership in the American Association of Colleges of Nursing.
ACADEMICS:

Our students say they value the diversity of the student body here. The breadth and depth of our students—in their backgrounds, experiences and interests—is what makes this college so robust. The University of Illinois Chicago College of Nursing is one of the premier nursing schools in the nation, with more than 13,000 alumni and more than 1,500 students enrolled in bachelor’s, master’s and doctoral programs at our six Illinois sites: Chicago, Peoria, Quad Cities, Rockford, Springfield and Urbana.

The College offers a Bachelor of Science in Nursing, a Master of Science degree, a Doctor of Nursing Practice degree with 12 specialties, a Doctor of Philosophy, and certificate programs that cover a spectrum of areas within the nursing sciences. At every level, our high-quality curricula are contemporary and evidence-based, incorporating cutting-edge research (much generated by our own distinguished and award-winning faculty). Students studying at any of our six campuses experience a dynamic, student-centered school recognized as a leader in nursing education, research and practice.

UIC College of Nursing Degree Programs Across Locations

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CHICAGO:

Located 10 minutes from downtown Chicago, in the heart of the Illinois Medical District, there is no academic experience in nursing quite like the one at our Chicago Campus. At our first and still largest campus, a diverse intellectual community of students, faculty, practitioners and staff are dedicated to the college’s mission to transform health, healthcare and policy through knowledge generation and translation, and to educate future leaders from diverse backgrounds. Nearly all the content on the college website—about degree programs, student life, research, practice and more—applies to our main campus community in Chicago.
PEORIA:
There has never been a better time to be enhancing the nursing workforce in Peoria. The Greater Peoria Economic Development Council reports healthcare is the largest employment sector in the region—36% larger than the national average. Our college has built strong partnerships with community and healthcare agencies since the campus was founded in 1972, and our Peoria Campus offers unique opportunities for vital interprofessional collaboration in teaching, education and research with the UIC College of Medicine, which is also on the Peoria Campus.

QUAD CITIES:
With both Iowa and Illinois students offered in-state tuition rates, and with 80% of graduates staying in the Quad Cities to work, our campus in downtown Moline is truly serving its community. Located on the Illinois-Iowa border, with the Mississippi and Rock Rivers at our doorstep, the Quad Cities Campus offers a beautiful, small-town setting in which to earn a nationally ranked graduate degree. Due to a unique regional partnership, students who live in Iowa or Illinois pay the same in-state tuition so that nurses from either side of the river can choose UIC Nursing for their next degree. We also enjoy robust relationships with healthcare partners in both Illinois and Iowa, giving students a range of clinical experiences, never too far from home.

ROCKFORD
Located on the UIC Health Sciences Campus in a vibrant Illinois city, the student experience here is deeply interprofessional. Sharing a campus with UIC's colleges of Medicine and Pharmacy in Rockford has its advantages, from the state-of-the-art Standardized Patient Center to the full-service Crawford Library of the Health Sciences—from sharing a home base with the National Center for Rural Health Professions to enjoying the stellar reputation UIC students have among the region's healthcare industry. Students in all three professional programs work together on clinical research projects. The UIC College of Medicine operates the UI Health Mile Square Health Center-LP Johnson-Rockford, where our advanced practice nursing students get exposure to an interprofessional group of clinical instructors (MDs, APRNs and pharmacists). We also have strong affiliations of our own with local VA clinics and area health departments, and we partner with several regional tertiary centers that include Level I Trauma Centers. All this just 90 miles west of Chicago.

SPRINGFIELD:
Our campus in the state's busy capital shares in UIS' amenities and enjoys strong ties to the city's healthcare leaders. Like the best inventions, our Springfield campus was born to address a specific issue: the need for more and better prepared nurses for Central Illinois. It was natural that the highly ranked UIC College of Nursing—already embedded in four other Illinois cities beyond Chicago—would be part of that solution. It was also natural that we would partner with our sister campus, the University of Illinois Springfield,
and Memorial Health System and its two Magnet-designated hospitals. The result: A program that produces critically-thinking nurses, prepared in the best settings, to meet the healthcare needs of the people of central and southern Illinois.

**URBANA:**
Students here enjoy the excellence of UIC's highly ranked nursing programs in the state's most celebrated college town. In this hub of education, culture and technology, UIC Nursing students share in the activities and resources of the UIUC campus, including Big Ten athletics, performances at the Krannert Center for the Performing Arts, and fun and fitness at the two recreation centers. But the education is pure UIC Nursing, boasting strong clinical partnerships with Carle Foundation Hospital, OSF Heart of Mary Medical Center, the Danville VA Medical Center and numerous other respected healthcare leaders in the area.
RESEARCH:

UIC Nursing researchers produce science that becomes solutions. Scientists at the UIC College of Nursing draw national and international recognition for their broad and deep contributions to health science. They continually reinforce the college’s reputation for excellence by producing evidence-based research and translating those findings into improved healthcare practice.

With nurses on the frontlines of healthcare, spending more time with patients than any other healthcare provider, they are best positioned to conduct the research that shapes methods to improve patient care. With a PhD program dating back to the early 1970s, the UIC College of Nursing was among the first institutions to promote nursing research, and we have been continually engaged in discovery since that time.

- **#3** – College’s rank among **public U.S. nursing schools** for NIH research funding (**#8 overall**)
- 5 faculty named to Sigma Theta Tau’s International Nurse Researcher Hall of Fame
- 29 current and emeriti faculty who are fellows of the American Academy of Nursing
- 35 Tenure Track Faculty
- **First** in the U.S. to be designated a World Health Organization Collaborating Centre for Nursing and Midwifery
- Home to two respected research hubs: the Center for Sleep and Health Research and the Midwest Nursing History Research Center
- Home to the Harriet H. Werley Endowed Chair for Nursing Research

**Highlighted research programs:**
- Pain Management: Acupuncture, Opioid Alternatives
- Health Equity
- HIV/STI Prevention
- Family Health
- Sleep
- Diabetes
HIGHLIGHTED INITIATIVES:

- **Global Health**
  
  To promote access to quality health care for all people, wherever they live in the world, UIC Nursing faculty participate in international collaborations between health professionals, governments, educational institutions and other partners that share our belief in “health for all.” The college is committed to expanding its research, education and practice programs in global health leadership and primary health care.

  In June 1986, the UIC College of Nursing became the first U.S. institution to be designated as a World Health Organization Collaborating Centre (WHOCC) in Nursing and Midwifery. The college earned re-designation for the eighth consecutive term in 2019.

  This means that, for more than 30 years, we’ve served as a key partner in the advancement of primary health care — supporting nurses, nurse educators and nurse scientists — around the world. Our designation indicates the highest level of “scientific and technical leadership” in nursing.

  So it’s not surprising that UIC Nursing has a footprint in every inhabited continent. We’ve led curriculum development to create advanced nursing programs in India, Bahrain and Rwanda. We’re striving to improve health outcomes for mothers and babies in Malawi, for HIV-positive prisoners in Indonesia, for estranged families in Tajikistan, and for immigrants from Lebanon. We’ve helped our own and other universities’ students witness and participate in health care delivery all over the world.

  In short, at the UIC College of Nursing, we continually act on what we believe: that all people — wherever they live in the world — have a right to health care access, healthy living environments, and relief from health disparities; that an exchange of ideas and experiences among global citizens is beneficial for all parties; and that the effort to transform health outcomes for a neighborhood can end up transforming whole nations.
• **Diversity, Equity & Inclusion**

At the UIC College of Nursing, diversity is more than a concept or a core value; it's a conscious and consistent behavior by which we strive to ensure everyone here feels a sense of belonging.

The UIC College of Nursing believes there is no room for racism in our institution; in our profession; in healthcare; in our country, our neighborhoods, schools or workplaces; nor in any dimension of society. The College of Nursing is committed to condemning racism in all its forms and supporting education, policies and practices that advocate for equity and social justice for all people.

As nurses, we know that structural racism is a social determinant of health with devastating consequences for individuals and communities impacted by it. Many social groups and communities experience structural barriers to the realization of their full human potential and these barriers must be removed. In addition to structural racism, anti-Black racism must be confronted and eliminated. For the past 400 years, Black people have been subjected to pervasive violations of their human rights. After the elimination of slavery, Black people in this country have continued to experience human rights violations in the form of discrimination, segregation, social and economic marginalization, and state sponsored violence in the form of police brutality. The UIC College of Nursing stands in solidarity with the efforts to eliminate structural and anti-Black racism and to create a more just and equal society for all.

The UIC College of Nursing is committed to equity; inclusivity; increasing the diversity of our faculty, staff and student body; and incorporating teaching, practice and scholarship focused on the moral and ethical principles that found the nursing profession. We are dedicated to strengthening our alliance with and support of all individuals and communities at risk of marginalization and/or violence including Black, Brown, Indigenous, People of Color, LGBTQ persons, religious minorities, immigrants and people with disabilities. We invite all of you who are a part of the UIC College of Nursing community to join us in striving for equity and justice for all people, in keeping us all accountable to our mission, and in creating a learning environment that is safe and supportive for all.
Nurses are the linchpin of national healthcare reform, providing tremendous opportunity. Underrepresented minority nurses play a particularly important role in leading healthcare systems to address health disparities and promote community health. In 1978, UIC created the Urban Health Program (UHP) to recruit, retain and graduate individuals from groups underrepresented in the health professions, especially African American, Hispanic and Native American students. We are passionate about having a student body that represents a wide variety of backgrounds and ethnicities, because we know our graduates go on to serve a diverse population. Focused resources provided through UHP are geared specifically toward racial/ethnic minority students to address unique challenges they may encounter in their program of study.

UHP leaders are committed to helping students realize their professional goals. This is achieved by offering students support services in the following areas:

- Academic advising and mentoring
- Tutoring and referral to university resources
- Professional development and networking activities
- Academic enrichment workshops
- Sponsorship to attend local and national conferences
- Assistance identifying scholarships.

All of these services are designed to strengthen students’ academic success in a friendly environment and help them learn about an array of nursing opportunities. UHP leaders help students prepare for and move through a program that will advance their career and earning potential in the most beneficial ways.
CLINICAL PRACTICE:

Nursing practice. That’s where it all began. Without it, there would be no nursing education, no nursing research. At our college, practice is still essential to all that we do.

UI Health Mile Square Health Center – Humboldt Park: Our nurse-led, nurse-managed clinic

With practice so central to our mission, the College of Nursing is proud to operate the Mile Square Health Center in Humboldt Park. Nurse-led care is holistic, patient-centered care, and our practice is unique in its delivery of primary care (adult and pediatric) and mental health care in a single location on Chicago’s West Side. This academic practice also gives our students clinical experience in a clinic designated as an Edge Runner by the American Academy of Nursing.

Practitioners in the clinic are faculty members who are nurse practitioners (APRNs); they take the lead while collaborating with other healthcare professionals to provide primary healthcare as well as behavioral and mental healthcare services in one of Chicago’s most underserved neighborhoods, Humboldt Park. As one of 14 locations of UI Health’s Mile Square Health Center, which is a Federally Qualified Health Center, our clinic is able to offer its scope of services to all community residents.

MSHC-HP is committed to providing comprehensive, community-based healthcare services to individuals and families under the nurse-led model. Our practice has won numerous awards, including the American Academy of Nursing Edge Runner Award, the National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties’ Outstanding Faculty Practice Award, and the Illinois Health Connect – Your Healthcare Plus Top Performer “Excellence in Diabetes Management Award” 2011. In 2010, our clinic was one of only 10 Nurse Managed Clinics in the U.S. to receive funding from President Obama’s Affordable Care Act

Correctional Health

An emerging area of practice for our college is perfectly in tune with our goal to prepare nurses to lead change: care for correctional populations. Working successfully at multiple levels with both the Cook County and Illinois Departments of Corrections, our faculty and students are teaching—and learning from—the unique individuals living in correctional facilities throughout our state.

Susan Corbridge, PhD ’09, APRN, FAANP, FAAN, is associate dean for practice and community partnerships. “Ninety-five percent of people who are incarcerated will eventually be released back to the community," she says. "They have limited access to healthcare within that first year of release. They use the ER a lot. They also have a higher mortality rate during that time. "This is just a group that’s lost."

These truths—paired with the fact that health equity is among our core values—are what inspire our college’s deepening commitment to positively affecting the health of men and women in prison.
Working with the Cook County Department of Corrections
Under the leadership of Cook County Sheriff Tom Dart, UIC Nursing developed a community health practicum for graduate nursing students. Students have been delivering weekly health education sessions to detainees. Also, college students and staff meet individuals who are on early release from the jail at a Cook County outreach center, sharing health information and helping them navigate to primary and mental healthcare at our college’s Mile Square Health Center in Humboldt Park. The success of these initiatives earned the college a Hillman Foundation grant to support the work and also to create a CEU-eligible, web-based module focused on healthcare delivery and health issues pertinent to a correctional facility and population.

Illinois Department of Corrections
Our college has become a key to providing better continuity of healthcare for the recently incarcerated. IDOC detainees who are released into two transition centers are now scheduled for appointments at the College of Nursing’s UI Health Mile Square Health Center clinic in Humboldt Park, thus establishing UIC as the medical home for this vulnerable population.

Cook County Juvenile Temporary Detention Center
Through weekly visits, graduate-entry master and DNP students are teaching young people at Chicago’s Juvenile Detention Center about sensitive health topics. In addition, a number of doctor of nursing practice students have conducted their DNP projects at JTDC.

Faculty in Practice
In addition to our practitioners at the clinic in Humboldt Park, more than 40 College of Nursing faculty maintain active practices, working in the profession for which they are simultaneously educating our students. Many of our faculty also consult with organizations in need of health-related assessments or wishing to implement health initiatives.
UNIVERSITY SETTING:

University of Illinois Chicago (UIC)

UIC, the largest public research university located in the metropolitan Chicago area, is a major contributor to the economic, academic and health care vitality of the city. UIC has a budget of $2.095 billion and with more than $313 million in annual research awards, UIC ranks among the leading universities in federal research funding. The campus serves a diverse student population of more than 33,000 with a faculty and staff of 12,000 across 16 academic colleges, and is designated a Minority, Hispanic, and Asian American and Pacific Islander Serving Institution. UIC programs span the arts, business, education, humanities, basic, social and health sciences, engineering and technology, law, social work, urban planning and public policy. The university is ranked 22nd among the 340 U.S. public universities and a top 10 best value university, according to the 2021 Wall Street Journal and Times Higher Education rankings.

The University of Illinois Hospital & Health Sciences System (UI Health)

UI Health provides comprehensive care, education, and research to train health care leaders and foster healthy communities in Illinois and beyond. A part of the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC), UI Health is a clinical enterprise that includes a 465-bed tertiary care hospital, 21 outpatient clinics, and 14 federally qualified Mile Square Health Center locations. With campuses in Chicago, Peoria, Quad Cities, Rockford, Springfield, and Urbana, the health system includes the academic and research activities of the seven UIC health science colleges: Applied Health Sciences, Dentistry, Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy; the School of Public Health; and the Jane Addams College of Social Work. UI Health is dedicated to the pursuit of health equity.

Illinois Medical District

The Illinois Medical District (IMD) is a special-use zoning district two miles west of the Loop in Chicago, Illinois. The IMD consists of 560 acres of medical research facilities, labs, a biotechnology business incubator, a raw development area, four major hospitals, two medical universities, and more than 40 health care related facilities. The IMD has more than 29,000 employees, 50,000 daily visitors and generates $3.4 billion in economic opportunity. The IMD is the largest urban medical district in the United States, and has the most diverse patient population in the country. Four major hospitals anchor the IMD, including the Jesse Brown VA Medical Center; Rush University Medical Center; The John H. Stroger, Jr., Hospital of Cook County; and The University of Illinois Hospital & Health Sciences System (UI Health).
NOTABLE ALUMNI & FACULTY:
Alumni and faculty from the UIC College of Nursing are shaping healthcare practice and policy at all levels. Our over 13,000 alumni span the globe and make a difference each day. Additionally, more than 100 UIC Nursing alumni are Fellows of the American Academy of Nursing.

INTERNATIONAL LEADERSHIP
United Nations Program on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)
Sheila Dinotshe Tlou, PhD ’90
Co-Chair; also former Minister of Health, Botswana

World Health Organization
Naeema Al-Gasseer, PhD ’90, MS ’87
Senior Advisor to Regional Director, Eastern Mediterranean Region

NATIONAL LEADERSHIP
National Institute of Nursing Research
Shannon Zenk, MS ’99
Director

Public Health Accreditation Board
Paul Kuehnert, DNP ’12, MS ’91
President and CEO; former Associate Vice President, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

National Council of State Boards of Nursing
Maryann Alexander, PhD ’02
Chief Officer, Nursing Regulation

LEADERSHIP IN AND AROUND CHICAGO
Northwestern Memorial Hospital
Julie Creamer, MS ’91
President; also Senior Vice President, Northwestern Memorial HealthCare

Weiss Memorial Hospital
Mary Shehan, BSN ’82
Chief Executive Officer

Rush System for Health
Angelique Richard, PhD ’99
Senior Vice President, Hospital Operations and Chief Nursing Executive; also, Associate Dean for Practice, Rush University College of Nursing

Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago
Brian M. Stahulak, BSN ’97
Vice President and Chief Nursing Officer
UChicago Medicine
Emily Chase, PhD ’12
Chief Nursing Officer, Senior Vice President Patient Care Services

Jesse Brown VA Medical Center
Brenda Burke, DNP ’15
Associate Director for Patient Care Services/Nurse Executive

Cook County Health
Beena Peters, DNP ’17, MS ’94
Chief Nursing Officer

Loyola University Medical Center
Timothy M. Carrigan, PhD ’10
Chief Nursing Officer

Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital
Susan Okuno-Jones, DNP ’10, MS ’06
Chief Nursing Executive

Cancer Treatment Centers of America–Chicago
Yolanda Coleman, PhD ’12
Vice President Patient Care Services/Chief Nursing Officer

Winnebago County Health Department
Sandra Martell, DNP ’11
Public Health Administrator
PROCEDURES FOR CANDIDACY

For fullest consideration, submit an application, including a letter of interest, resume/CV at https://jobs.uic.edu/job-board/job-details?jobID=140647 by February 22, 2021. Nominations may be submitted confidentially via email to nursdeansearch@uic.edu.

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APPENDIX:

Health Sciences Colleges at UIC

College of Applied Health Sciences
Nationally prominent in research, service, and education, the College of Applied Health Sciences is a leader in applied rehabilitation and disability studies. The college houses five departments: biomedical and health information sciences, disability and human development, kinesiology and nutrition, occupational therapy, and physical therapy. It also offers a variety of degree options, including three bachelor’s degrees, 10 master’s degrees, and four doctoral programs.

College of Dentistry
The UIC College of Dentistry is the largest oral health college and patient care provider in the State of Illinois. Nearly half of Illinois dentists have received training from the college, which features an innovative, nationally recognized Doctor of Dental Medicine (DMD) program with a current enrollment of 420. The curriculum integrates foundational and clinical learning through early access to patient care. State-of-the-science learning labs and patient care clinics offer a complete digital workflow, advanced imaging, and digital diagnostic and care planning. Students gain valuable experience through extramural rotations in community-based clinics throughout Chicago, and other domestic and international locations. Advanced specialized training programs, for about 40 residents, are in Endodontics, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery (involving GME funding and the hospital), Orthodontics, Pediatric Dentistry (involving GME funding and the hospital), Periodontics, and Prosthodontics. Additionally, the college provides doctoral training in oral sciences and collaborative MPH programs with the UIC SPH. The college ranks among the top 20 of US Dental Institutions in NIDCR funding, including recent CO6 grant funding (NIH) for the renovation of laboratories. Research Centers and Programs include the Brodie Laboratory for Craniofacial Genetics, the Center for Wound Healing and Tissue Regeneration, the Brodie Tooth Development Genetics and Regenerative Medicine Research Laboratory, and the Laboratory of Applied Dental Biomaterials and Interfaces. Major research foci of the college exist in Oral/Head and Neck Cancer, Tooth Tissue Regeneration, Wound Healing, and Biomaterials Science as well as in other areas such as Implants, and Health Disparities.

College of Medicine
Founded in 1882, University of Illinois College of Medicine is a world renowned center of medical education, research, and innovation. It is one of the largest medical schools in the nation, as well as one of the most diverse. The student body of over 1,300 students hails from a wide variety of cultural and economic backgrounds. This diversity adds to the rich educational experience that is a hallmark of the College of Medicine. The college’s four campuses - located in Chicago, Peoria, Rockford, and Urbana - serve the state’s urban and rural environments and offer numerous opportunities for clinical training and research. The college has over 750 full-time clinical and an additional 200 basic science full-time faculty members across its four campuses, as well as thousands of volunteer faculty members. The Peoria campus accounts for approximately 155 of the full-time faculty members, the Rockford campus with 30, and the Urbana campus 5. The college’s total budget is approximately $550 million, of which seven to eight percent is state funded. Approximately 1 in 5 physicians in Illinois received their MD from the College of Medicine and more than 1 in 3 practicing physicians in Illinois were trained either as a medical student, resident or fellow at the College of Medicine.
College of Pharmacy
The College of Pharmacy offers a four-year professional degree program that leads to PharmD, the highest level of professional education in the pharmaceutical field, as well as other programs leading to six master’s degrees and four doctorate degrees that cover a spectrum of research areas within the pharmaceutical sciences. The program routinely ranks among the nation’s top 10. The UIC College of Pharmacy has a regional campus in Rockford.

School of Public Health
The School of Public Health is committed to eliminating health disparities and bringing public health solutions to communities in need by combining academic excellence with cutting-edge research and engaged community-based practice. The school includes four divisions: community health sciences, environmental and occupational health sciences, epidemiology and biostatistics and health policy and administration.

Jane Addams College of Social Work
The Jane Addams College of Social Work carries forward the mission of Jane Addams and the Hull-House movement, adapting social work to the needs and realities of today’s urban settings. As a premier institution for graduate study, the college is a recognized leader in social work research, education and service. Faculty, staff and students share a commitment to social justice and a passion for making a difference in the world, working with communities, policymakers, agencies and individuals.

UNIVERSITY LEADERSHIP

UIC Chancellor
Michael Amiridis is the Chancellor of the University of Illinois Chicago (UIC), the largest and only public research university in Chicago. Chancellor Amiridis oversees a budget of over $3.5 billion and nearly 14,000 employees distributed in sixteen colleges—including UIC’s highly ranked College of Nursing—and one of the most comprehensive academic health care centers in the country. Under his leadership, UIC has experienced record enrollments for six consecutive years, serving nearly 33,500 students and recognized as one of the most diverse university communities in the nation. At the same time, UIC is undergoing the most ambitious construction program in decades with new academic, residential and clinical facilities.

Chancellor Amiridis is a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) and the American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE). He is a member of the Board of the Chicago Council of Global Affairs, and the national governing boards of the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACU) and the Coalition of Urban Serving Universities (USU). He received his Diploma in Chemical Engineering from the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, his PhD in Chemical Engineering from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and an honorary doctorate degree from the University of Ioannina in Greece.
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Dr. Robert A. Barish, a distinguished physician and academic leader, is vice chancellor for health affairs of the University of Illinois at Chicago. He oversees the University of Illinois Hospital & Health Sciences System (UI Health), which provides comprehensive care, education, and research to train healthcare leaders and foster healthy communities in Illinois and beyond. A part of the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC), UI Health comprises a clinical enterprise that includes a 465-bed tertiary care hospital, 21 outpatient clinics, and 14 Mile Square Health Center facilities, which are Federally Qualified Health Centers. With campuses in Chicago, Peoria, Quad Cities, Rockford, Springfield, and Urbana, the health system includes the academic and research activities of the seven UIC health sciences colleges: Applied Health Sciences, Dentistry, Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, the School of Public Health, and the Jane Addams College of Social Work. UI Health is dedicated to the pursuit of health equity. Previously, Dr. Barish served as chancellor of the LSU Health Sciences Center at Shreveport from 2009 to 2015, where he provided leadership for the schools of medicine, allied health, and graduate programs, a major academic medical center, and two affiliated hospitals. Dr. Barish spent 24 years at the University of Maryland School of Medicine. He served as chief of emergency medicine from 1985 to 1996 and built a nationally recognized program. There he was named associate dean for clinical affairs in 1998 and eventually became vice dean for clinical affairs in 2005. That same year, following the devastation of Hurricane Katrina on the Gulf Coast, Barish helped lead a medical regiment dispatched by the state of Maryland to deliver emergency care to more than 6,000 hurricane victims in Jefferson Parish. In addition to his medical duties at Maryland, Dr. Barish earned an MBA from Loyola College in 1995. From 1996 to 1998, he served as the chief executive officer of UniversityCARE, a University of Maryland physician-hospital network of family-oriented health centers located in neighborhoods throughout the Baltimore metropolitan area. A former lieutenant colonel and flight surgeon in the Maryland Air National Guard, Barish was among a select group invited to become a NASA astronaut candidate in the early 1990s. After earning his medical degree from New York Medical College in 1979, Dr. Barish interrupted his residency training for one year to provide medical treatment to refugees at camps along the Thai-Cambodian border and in Somalia. He completed an internal medicine residency at New York’s Saint Vincent’s Hospital and Medical Center in 1983 and an emergency medicine residency at Georgetown University Medical Center in 1985. He is a member of Alpha Omega Alpha Medical Honor Society, a fellow of the American College of Emergency Physicians and the American Academy of Emergency Medicine. He currently serves as the Board Chair for the Association of Academic Health Centers.