

Associate Dean for Partnerships

Augusta University (AU) School of Computer and Cyber Sciences (SCCS) is seeking a dynamic academic leader to serve as the Associate Dean for Partnerships. This position reports directly to the Dean of the School of Computer and Cyber Sciences and is a key member of the academic leadership team.

THE UNIVERSITY AND THE SCHOOL OF COMPUTER AND CYBER SCIENCES

Founded in 1828 and located in Augusta, Georgia, Augusta University is a public research university and medical center dedicated to training the next generation of innovators, leaders and health care providers. Home to four campuses in Augusta and various satellite locations across Georgia, Augusta University is at the forefront of groundbreaking research focused on improving and enriching the human experience.

The School of Computer and Cyber Sciences was established in 2017 with the mission to provide high-engagement, state-of-the-art technology education and research across its computer science, information technology and cybersecurity disciplines. The School is undergoing an unprecedented transformation, as we are becoming a comprehensive research college, with national prominence, and a leader in cybersecurity education and research. The School offers Bachelor of Science degrees in computer science, information technology, cybersecurity, cyber operations and our newest undergraduate program is in cybersecurity engineering, the first of its kind in the state of Georgia. At the graduate level, we offer a Master of Science degree in Information Security Management as well as a Master of Science degree in Computer Science with a research thesis and course based options. A new Doctor of Philosophy program is planned for 2021. Our enrollment is at an all-time high with over 600 students pursuing undergraduate and graduate degrees.

The School headquarters are located at the Georgia Cyber Center. The Center is nestled along the Savannah River at the University's Riverfront Campus, located in Augusta's growing cybersecurity corridor. The state-owned state-of-the-art cyber center includes a cutting-edge cyber range, a 340-seat auditorium, secure briefing space, incubator space for innovation and entrepreneurship, and classrooms; as well as proximity to industry professionals and innovative start-ups.

POSITION SUMMARY

The Associate Dean for Partnerships is responsible for providing visionary leadership in building the School's external partnerships in support of its growing research momentum and strengthening the School's academic programs, in alignment with the institution's mission statement and strategic plan. As a member of the Dean's leadership team, the Associate Dean will be acquainted with all aspects of the School's growth and will represent and advocate all issues of external partnerships, educational programs, and strategic planning associated with the students, faculty, research, and academic programs. The Associate Dean works closely and collaboratively with the Dean of The Graduate School and the leadership of other colleges at Augusta University and the Georgia Cyber Center. The Associate Dean will be focused on the School's mission of providing a rich intellectual, academic and research environment for educating students to become leaders in the discovery and dissemination of knowledge and in its application.

RESPONSIBILITIES

The Associate Dean for Partnerships will report directly to the Dean, work closely with the Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Programs, and partner with the Dean of the Graduate School. The Associate Dean for Partnerships will be responsible for the following:

- Leading the recruitment, engagement and relationship management for the School of Computer and Cyber Sciences and its Cyber Institute partnerships and strategic projects.
- Developing strategies and advising the Dean on ways to strengthen existing partnerships while growing new opportunities locally, state-wide, regionally, nationally and globally.
- Identifying issues to facilitate interactions, engagement, and community outreach and advise institutional leaders on the scope of these activities, opportunities and challenges.
- Facilitating new initiatives that will enhance and grow research expenditures for the School and the University.
- Building and enhancing research relationships with existing partners, and play a key role in creating new external collaboration opportunities for the School faculty.
- Collaborating with the other colleges at the university to expand strategically the multi-disciplinary partnerships and research opportunities.
- Support the recruitment of outstanding faculty and provide input to the Appointment, Promotion & Tenure process for Graduate Faculty.
- Assist with the recruitment of students, student admissions, and retention.
- Participate in speaking engagements to convey the School programs, initiatives, student accomplishments and benefits to the community and state.
- Partner with the Division of Philanthropy & Alumni Engagement in assessing a development plan for the School.
- Assisting in the planning of alumni affairs events, reunions and other programs to enhance connections of alumni and friends with the university and the School.
- Actively participating in Alumni programs, on civic and charitable boards, and with other organizations that advance the community image and the visibility of university.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

The Associate Dean for Partnerships position will bring professional maturity and documentation of the following skills and characteristics:

- An earned doctoral degree in computer science/engineering, information systems, or a related discipline.
- Seven to ten years minimum full time experience with a substant1al personal record in research and education commensurate with the appointment to the rank of full professor.
- Documented leadership skills.
- Extensive mentorship experience.
- Successful experience with the supervision of staff in a complex organization and the successful management of multiple programs in a higher education setting.
- Highly developed human relations skills, leading to the ability to work well with staff and volunteers of all levels and from different cultures in the organization.
- Strong communication skills: written, oral, public speaking and listening.
- Strong planning and organizational skills, including ability to manage multiple relationships in a highly matrixed organization.
- Budget and financial management experience.

- Desire and ability to enact change, strong task orientation and high level of energy.
- Personal characteristics associated with successful academic professionals, including a vigorous work ethic, sound judgment, impeccable integrity, demonstrated initiative, appropriate professional appearance, attitude and personality to work effectively with colleagues, senior leadership of the University, volunteers and constituents.
- Affinity with the overall mission of the University.

APPLICATION PROCESS

The Search Committee invites applications, inquiries, and nominations for this position. Applications should be accompanied by a letter of interest, curriculum vitae, and the names and contact details of at least five professional references. Applications and nominations will be accepted until the position is filled and review of applications will begin immediately. Interested candidates are encouraged to submit materials online at <u>Associate Dean for Partnerships</u>.

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