Inequities and health disparities are a major public health threat and demand a concerted, interdisciplinary effort. At the College of Public Health, we dedicate ourselves to public health in all its parameters, from epidemiology to nursing, from social work to rehabilitation sciences. Social justice has always driven our work: This understanding that individual outcomes are intricately tied to the larger systems we inhabit is the foundation of our college.

Temple University College of Public Health's interprofessional culture fosters collaboration both within and outside the college. We value differences among our faculty and believe that we can better serve and understand our Philadelphia community through the diversity of our individual faculty and our disciplines. Join us in our mission to develop progressive, compassionate researchers, practitioners, and clinicians to build a better tomorrow, grounded in creating the environments and health infrastructure that will make us the healthiest nation.

THE POSITION. Temple University College of Public Health is seeking a full-time instructional (non-tenure track) nursing faculty member to teach and serve as director for our post-baccalaureate and post-master’s doctor of nursing practice (DNP) programs. Faculty rank will be commensurate with experience. The primary responsibilities of the DNP program director are to ensure the successful academic and clinical administration of the program consistent with departmental, college, and university mission, philosophy, and policies; Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) standards; and Pennsylvania State Board of Nursing (PASBON) regulations. This individual will work in collaboration with DNP program faculty to ensure the smooth running of the program. Responsibilities will include coordination with various departments to handle admissions, recruitment, advisement, clinical placements, curriculum design, and program evaluation. Additional programmatic duties may be assigned by the department chair. The program director is assigned to the Nursing Department as a full-time instructional faculty member (faculty rank commensurate with experience). Program administration duties will be considered 50% of the faculty member’s workload, with the balance committed to teaching and service.

QUALIFICATIONS. Prospective candidates will possess the following credentials and experience or demonstrate attainment of such credentials prior to starting the position:

- A doctoral degree in nursing (doctor of nursing practice preferred)
- Registered nurse license in Pennsylvania or a multi-state RN license from another state
- National certification as a nurse practitioner (family nurse practitioner preferred)
- Certified registered nurse practitioner license in Pennsylvania
- A minimum of three years of clinical practice experience as a nurse practitioner
- Teaching experience with a DNP program
- Administrative experience in an academic or clinical setting is preferred

THE DEPARTMENT. The Department of Nursing provides its students with an exceptional opportunity to learn in an environment committed to preparing practitioners to face today and tomorrow’s clinical challenges. Directed by Amita Avadhani, the David R. Devereaux Endowed Chair of Nursing and a national leader in nurse education, the department aims to be a leading force in community-engaged, collaborative efforts to achieve health equity and high quality of life for all, preparing a diverse nursing workforce who excel in leadership, practice, research, and scholarship. We aspire to provide excellence in academic programming that is responsive to the health needs of individuals and populations within the context of community, defined as a social and physical environment where living occurs. We are committed to the highest level of prevention-oriented and evidence-based caregiving, provided in collaboration with the community and other professionals and disciplines, including through strengthening our already deep ties between the College of Public Health and Temple University Health System. The Department of Nursing enrolls nearly 500 students annually and offers two accredited programs.
Our eight-semester bachelor of science in nursing program with freshman admission is recognized for its high NCLEX pass rate and clinical affiliations with outstanding healthcare facilities in the Philadelphia area with a service-learning focus. Our doctor of nursing practice program includes post-baccalaureate and post-master’s options with concentrations in adult gerontology primary care and family-individual across the lifespan. The post-master’s program prepares graduates for leadership roles in various settings. Expansion of graduate program offerings is anticipated and will include additional DNP specialties, post-master’s certificates, and a direct-entry master’s program for non-nursing college graduates.

THE COLLEGE. Devoted to an interprofessional environment for education, research, and practice, the CEPH-accredited College of Public Health consists of academic units in the public health disciplines, health professions, and the School of Social Work, enrolling approximately 4,200 students. The college’s research aims to understand the fundamental factors that affect the health and well-being of individuals and populations by examining health problems through foundational research, policy and practice, and the development and dissemination of evidence-based interventions. We focus on social determinants of health and social justice with strengths in cancer, obesity, HIV, substance abuse, mental illness, mobility research, cognition and language, developmental disabilities, organ transplantation and aging. CPH research is funded by the National Institutes of Health, Department of Defense, National Science Foundation, Gates Foundation, other major private foundations, and state and federal agencies. The college is home to the Center for Obesity Research and Education, the Collaborative on Community Inclusion, and an Office of Clinical Affairs and Interprofessional Education that leads our clinical activities, including forward-looking IPE within the college and throughout the university. The college is staffed by a robust complement of seasoned professionals including offices of Communications and Marketing, Information Technology, Sponsored Research, and Academic Affairs. Temple’s Center for the Advancement of Teaching provides outstanding programs and one-on-one mentoring to instructors to promote and support excellent teaching.

THE UNIVERSITY. Temple University is an urban, research-intensive Carnegie R1 university located in historic and culturally rich Philadelphia, the nation’s sixth largest city. The city was ranked third by The New York Times as a world tourist destination. The National Science Foundation ranks Temple among the top 100 universities in the country for research expenditures. Temple is the sixth largest provider of professional education in the nation and includes Schools of Medicine, Pharmacy, Podiatry, Law, and Dentistry and research centers including CPH’s Center for Obesity Research and Education. It also is the home of the Fox Chase Comprehensive Cancer Center.

For more information, contact Amita Avadhani, chair of the Department of Nursing, at amita.avadhani@temple.edu. To apply, submit your CV; a cover letter explicating your qualifications; a teaching statement, including a statement describing your commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion; and a list of three references to amita.avadhani@temple.edu. Application review begins immediately and will continue until the position is filled.