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Clinical Education News and Views

Opportunities

The Physical Therapy & Rehabilitation Science Department is seeking outstanding applicants for three non-tenure track faculty positions. Physical therapy license, Maryland eligibility, and a post-professional doctoral degree are required.

Clinical Education Faculty Position:

This is a full-time faculty position at the Instructor or Assistant Professor level, non-tenure track. In addition to clinical education, responsibilities will also include service to the department and teaching. Requirements include: at least five years of clinical experience, strong skills in clinical instruction, organization, communication and administration. Clinical instructor credentialing and Center Coordinator of Clinical Education (CCCE) experience preferred.

Teaching Faculty Positions:

Two faculty positions are available with teaching and clinical responsibilities in one or more of the following areas: clinical orthopedics, clinical neurology, geriatrics, pediatrics. We seek persons who are excited about teaching with primary responsibility in the entry-level DPT curriculum and clinical work. Clinical specialization from the ABPTS is preferred.

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School of Medicine To Celebrate 200 Years

Next year, the University of Maryland School of Medicine will be celebrating its 200th anniversary and will be hosting a variety of educational programs, community outreach initiatives and social events in commemoration of its founding in 1807. The Bicentennial Gala will be the highlight of this year-long celebration.

The gala will be held on Friday, May 18, 2007 at the Baltimore Convention Center. The program will showcase the rich history of the School of Medicine, and feature celebrity entertainment, music and fantastic food. Nearly 2,000 influential business leaders, politicians, and medical professionals are expected to be in attendance.

We are currently seeking table sponsors for the 2007 Bicentennial Gala to help represent the physical therapy profession at this historical event. Tables range from \$10,000 to \$25,000 and seat 10 people. A significant portion (approximately 70%) of each sponsorship secured by the Department of PTRS will go directly to the department to assist with general support of our physical therapy academic programs.

If your practice is interested in sponsoring a gala table, please contact Karen McGuire at 410-706-8688 or kmcguire@som.umaryland.edu. Jointly sponsored tables are accepted.

Open House

The next Admissions Open House will be held on Saturday, September 30, 2006. This is the perfect opportunity to discuss admission into the post-professional Doctor of Science in Physical Therapy (DScPT). The DScPT is a web-based program designed for licensed physical therapists to upgrade and enhance their clinical and/or managerial skills. Come join us for Open House! To RSVP online go to <http://pt.umaryland.edu>. Click on "Prospective Student"

Accreditation Update:

PTRS ended the self-study period for renewal of its accreditation with a site visit. A team of site visitors spent three days with PTRS, meeting with a host of individuals associated with the program, including students, adjunct faculty, clinical faculty (CCCEs & CIs), employers, and the academic faculty. At the conclusion of their site visit, the team presented a preliminary report of their findings. This report was extremely favorable to our program, with positive comments regarding the collegiality of the department, the quality of our students as interns and employees, and the overall system of education we have put into place.

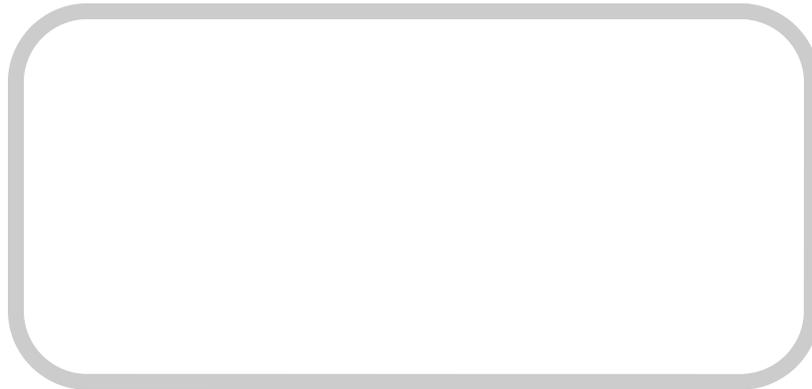
The next step in this process is a written report from the site team. This report, along with any remarks PTRS makes in response to this report, will be a part of the evidence taken into consideration by the Commission in making a final judgment on the accreditation status of the Program.

ClinEd would like to say a huge "Thank You" to the clinical faculty who assisted us during this visit. We certainly do appreciate the time you spent meeting with the site team, and the comments that you made to them.

ClinEd Faculty: Temma Bernstein, Rachel Gestido, Jennifer McDivitt, Meredith Ofstad, Christina Pedini, Theresa Sturm.
Employers: Ann Boughton, Curtis Cunningham, Leslie Glickman, Julie Kreif.
Associated Faculty: Ruth Cooke, Christina Gurney, Don Hobart, Mark Hopkins, Linda Horn, Heide Morgan, Karen Murdock, Rick Violand, Ann Welty.

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A Fond Farewell



Kathy Davis, PT, DScPT, MA,
plans to return to clinical practice this August.

In Her Own Words Long-time Faculty Member Returns To Clinic

After 11 years of working as an Academic Coordinator of Clinical Education here at the University of Maryland, I am saying “goodbye” and venturing back to clinical practice. It has been an honor and truly a pleasure to have worked with each of you to help provide our students with outstanding clinical experiences. Through the years, I have gotten to know many of you as more than just the “voice on the other end of the phone”. Yearly visits were met with a hug “hello” rather than just a hand shake. I will miss having that contact with the clinics and being able to see our students grow into practicing therapists and eventually into Clinical Instructors themselves. But, it is time for a “change” and this seemed like the right time to make it. Now, I call on all of you as Clinical Instructors to give me advice as I am sure I will be working with students in the next year or so.

Thank you to each of you for your support of our program, enthusiasm in working with our students, and good humor in dealing with all of those “crisis” that tend to happen every year. I wish all of you the best in the future.

-Kathy Davis, PT, DScPT, MA

New PTRS Video Online

In March 2006, PTRS was one of the featured departments at the University of Maryland School of Medicine Fund for Medicine Gala. To view the video profile of the department, go to the website listed below. Look under “What’s New”, and click on “SOM-PTRS Gala Video”.

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