



**Department of Communication Disorders and Sciences Chairperson**  
**Rush University**  
**Rush University Medical Center**

Rush University Medical Center (RUMC), a nationally recognized academic and clinical institution, invites nominations and applications for the position of Chairperson of the Department of Communication Disorders and Sciences. The Department is comprised of two nationally ranked degree programs, the Doctor of Audiology and the Master of Science in Speech-Language Pathology. The Department has a dual mission of providing superior graduate education and outstanding patient care. Excellence in these endeavors is enhanced by research and service activities. The department has a history of applied research which includes the following areas: adult neurogenic disorders, language and literacy problems in school-age children, cultural and linguistic diversity, motor speech disorders, voice and swallowing disorders, aural rehabilitation, and auditory perception and cognition in normal and hearing impaired persons. The Chairperson will oversee the academic operations of both programs; support the mission, vision, values and practitioner-teacher tradition of RUMC; and provide leadership for the Department's eighteen faculty members and within the College of Health Sciences. It will also be a primary responsibility of the Chairperson to continue to meet or exceed the standards for program accreditation in Speech Language Pathology and Audiology.

The successful candidate will demonstrate commitment and experience in leadership, administration, research scholarship and education. Candidates should have a track record of fiscal responsibility, strong communication skills, clinical operation knowledge and record of student advisement. In addition it will be expected candidates will have a national and international reputation in the field. Candidates will have a doctorate degree (Ph.D. or Ed.D) and associated credentials in a field appropriate to providing academic leadership for the Department. In addition, acceptable candidates will have credentials that merit appointment as Associate Professor or Professor, possess a demonstrated commitment to innovation, and have the leadership skills necessary for guiding faculty development and advancement within research, academic and clinical missions. As a department leader, the Chairperson will provide an energetic and inventive vision for maintaining and growing educational and research programs, developing strategic interdisciplinary teams for furthering research within and across the medical center, and promote continuing faculty development.

Rush University is known for its practitioner-teacher model, translational research, nurturing academic environment, and focus on community and global health. Rush University serves more than 2,300 students and offers more than 30 unique degree or certificate options across its four colleges: Rush Medical College, College of Nursing, College of Health Sciences, and the Graduate College. Based on rankings in the most recent edition of U.S. News & World Report's "America's Best Graduate Schools: Rush University is a top-ranked university with an exclusive health science focus. The mission of Rush University is to teach, study and provide the highest quality health care, using a unique and multidisciplinary practitioner-teacher model for health sciences education and research, while reflecting the diversity of our communities in its programs, faculty, students and services.

**Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Nominations or letters of interest that include curriculum vitae should be sent to:**

**Regina Chen, MS, PA-C, L, Ac, Dipl.CH, Chair, Communication Disorders & Sciences Search Committee**  
**Rush College of Health Sciences at Rush University Medical Center**

**Electronic applications or nominations are preferred and should be sent to:**

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