

A banner image for Rush University Medical Center. On the left, a modern, multi-story hospital building with a curved facade. On the right, a city skyline with a prominent skyscraper, likely the Willis Tower, under a clear sky. The text 'Rush University Medical Center' is overlaid in a green, serif font.

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Department of General Surgery Chairperson Rush Medical College/Rush University Medical Center

Rush University Medical Center, a nationally recognized clinical and academic institution, invites nominations and applications for the position of Chairperson of the Department of General Surgery. The Department has a long tradition of excellence and expertise in many clinical domains. With one of the busiest programs in the Midwest, surgeons at Rush University Medical Center offer a full range of surgical care with expertise in the latest minimally invasive techniques. The department consists of nationally and internationally respected experts in breast surgery, colon and rectal surgery, surgical care for cancer patients, bariatric surgery, hepatobiliary surgery, as well as other subspecialties.

Attending surgeons at Rush University Medical Center are not only skilled clinicians; they are prolific teachers and researchers. The Rush University Medical Center General Surgery Residency Program is the 11th largest program in the country, top ranked and highly competitive; in 2015, more than 4,000 applicants applied for 8 categorical positions. The residency program is integrated with Cook County, Health and Hospital System, one of the busiest city hospitals in the country, and is also affiliated with North Shore Skokie Hospital. Additionally, the Department has nearly 100 IRB-approved studies, with areas of investigation that include tumor and transplant molecular biology and immunobiology, the role of adhesion molecules in metastases, tumor angiogenesis, cryoablation and laser therapy for primary and metastatic disease, pathogenesis of thyroid cancer and the role of translocation in the development of secondary pancreatic infections.

The successful candidate will demonstrate a commitment to clinical service, teaching and mentoring surgical trainees and medical students, research achievement and is a creative leader with a strong record of collaborative leadership and commitment to academic excellence and community engagement. The successful candidate will have an established national/international reputation in their surgical specialty and demonstrated experience in leading implementation of a vision through innovation and accountability. In addition, they will have credentials that merit appointment as Professor or senior level Associate Professor, have an MD or equivalent degree, board certification in General Surgery, possess a demonstrated commitment to innovation, and have the leadership skills necessary for guiding faculty development and advancement across research, clinical and academic missions. As a department leader, the Chairperson will provide an energetic and inventive vision for growing clinical volume, improving clinical productivity and further reorganizing clinical expertise with the academic surgical model of sub-specialization. The Chairperson also will work to facilitate collaborative work between departments to grow and improve existing spheres of clinical care and develop new ones.

Rush Medical College was established in 1837 and is one of the oldest medical colleges in the United States. Rush University Medical Center is one of the largest private academic medical centers in Illinois, with completion of the most comprehensive construction and facilities renovation program in its history. The "Rush Transformation" process has invested in new technology and facilities, culminating in a new Tower hospital that opened in January 2012, uniquely designed to deliver patient care safely and efficiently. Rush University has over 2,000 students and offers more than 30 degree or certificate options throughout its four colleges. Rush is consistently ranked as one of the nation's top hospitals by U.S. News & World Report, and is one of the two top ranked hospitals in Illinois.

**We encourage women and minorities to apply. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.
Nominations or letters of interest that include a curriculum vitae should be sent to Courtney Kammer:**

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