



**ILLINOIS  
COLLEGE**  
JACKSONVILLE, IL



**Assistant/Associate Professor  
and Director of Nursing**





**Illinois College, a residential, private liberal arts college located in historic Jacksonville, Illinois, seeks an innovative and collaborative leader to serve as the next Director of Nursing.**

The College's abiding commitment to student success prepares them exceptionally well for the complex world they will face after graduation. Under the leadership of President Barbara A. Farley, in collaboration with Provost Catharine O'Connell, Illinois College is building an international reputation for inspiring achievement and empowering students to make a difference in the world with an increasingly diverse student population. The College fosters academic excellence rooted in opportunities for experiential learning to ensure students Graduate READY for personal and professional success.

Illinois College faculty, staff, and students form a close-knit community and have strong ties to the city of Jacksonville.

Centrally located between St. Louis and Chicago and thirty miles from the state capital of Springfield, Jacksonville is a friendly and vibrant community of 25,000 people. It boasts an award-winning historic downtown square, good public and parochial schools, cultural and educational institutions, medical facilities, and family businesses. A lovely historic neighborhood of beautiful homes is adjacent to Illinois College. The City recently invested in city-wide broadband internet access and has won several awards, including Best Value School's Top 30 Charming College Town Main Streets. Jacksonville offers an excellent place to live, work, and play. To further explore Jacksonville's highlights and attractions, see <https://jacksonvilleil.org>.





Illinois College, the first college in the state to conduct classes and grant a baccalaureate degree, sustains a nearly 200-year-old heritage of excellence. The Rev. John M. Ellis, a Presbyterian missionary in the East, saw the need for a “seminary of learning” in the new state of Illinois. His plans drew the attention of Congregational students at Yale University, and seven of them, in one of the famous “Yale Bands,” came westward to help found the College. The first president of Illinois College was Edward Beecher who left his position at the Park Street Church in Boston and firmly imbued the new College with New England traditions and academic foundations. His sister, Harriet Beecher Stowe, author of the influential anti-slavery novel, *Uncle Tom’s Cabin*, visited the campus, which became a center of the abolitionist movement. In short, Illinois College has a reputation for academic innovation and providing students with life-defining learning experiences that are essential preparation for the job market and graduate study. With a remarkable academic program, extracurricular opportunities, and outstanding facilities, Illinois College represents one of the best values in higher education today.

The College offers 33 undergraduate majors and 45 minors to over 1,100 enrolled students, most of whom take classes on campus. The sense of community is strong at Illinois College, and more than 85% of students reside on-campus. A robust Division III athletics program in the Midwest Conference upholds the College’s commitment to the scholar-athlete, and its athletic facilities contribute to the health and wellness of the IC community. With twenty intercollegiate teams and many success stories on and off the field, the athletics program contributes to campus life.



# STUDENT PROFILE

Enrollment has grown by over 30% in the last decade, and the Detroit Free Press recently named Illinois College “one of the fastest-growing small liberal arts college in the nation.” The vast majority of Illinois College students are from Illinois (84.2%), with many coming from small towns or rural areas within 150 miles of campus; non-Illinois students represent 30 other states and 18 countries. Just over half are female (52%), and nearly one-third (31.6%) are the first in their families to attend college. A significant percentage of students (40%) are from low-income households. Within the past decade, the diversification of the student body has accelerated from 8.1% minority students to 21% today. Most students live in college housing (86.5%), and nearly all are full-time. The College is supported by an endowment of over \$150 million, and the College annually awards over \$21 million in financial aid to its students.



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# NURSING

While new to Illinois College, the city of Jacksonville has been educating nurses for over 120 years, and Illinois College has deep ties to nursing education in this region. President Barbara Farley invests in the future of health care by serving on the Board of Directors for both Memorial Health and Jacksonville Memorial Hospital. The CEO of Jacksonville Memorial Hospital, Dr. Scott Boston, also serves on the College's Board of Trustees. Illinois College launched a grant-funded community needs assessment for nursing education in 2017 that ultimately resulted in a fully-online RN-to-BSN program in 2019, the traditional-track program in 2020, and CCNE accreditation in 2021. The program is now launching the MSN online.

## THE POSITION

Illinois College seeks a dynamic nurse educator who is current with best practices in nursing education to lead a growing nursing program. The successful candidate will have a doctoral degree and experience with college teaching and administrative leadership. Passion for the nursing profession, for education, and for program development is essential. This is an extraordinary opportunity to lead growth.

This position will be primarily administrative, with some teaching duties (approximately 15% time).

MSN and doctorate required (DNP, Ph.D., or Ed.D). Minimum of ten years of professional experience with at least five in higher education strongly preferred. Experience as well with program development, management, and leadership. Preference for experience with both BSN and MSN programs.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

Applications, nominations, and expressions of interest can be submitted electronically and confidentially to Executive Recruiter John Meurer at [jmeurer@advocatestaffing.com](mailto:jmeurer@advocatestaffing.com). Please note Illinois College in the subject line.

Review of applications is ongoing and will continue until the position is filled.

*Illinois College is an Equal Opportunity Employer and encourages applications from underrepresented minorities and women.*

