GHC names new Dean of Health Sciences

Georgia Highlands College has announced the appointment of Janet G. Alexander as the new dean of Health Sciences. Having worked in nursing since 1979, Alexander comes to GHC from Samford University in Birmingham, Alabama, where she has served as professor of nursing for the past 21 years. Like Highlands, Samford transitioned from an associate degree program to a baccalaureate in 1995.

She currently teaches in both the undergraduate and graduate programs at Samford, and for the past three years has been the director of the accelerated second degree B.S.N. program.

A second-degree student already holds a bachelor's degree in another subject and is returning to school to earn a second bachelor's in nursing. As coordinator of the nurse educator track in Samford's Master of Science program, she taught and coordinated all nurse educator courses and coordinated educator admissions and progressions.

She also evaluated the curriculum, revising it as needed. Before coming to Samford, Alexander served as assistant professor of nursing at the University of Alabama in Birmingham.

She is a Certified Nurse Educator through the National League of Nursing, and is a member of that organization as well as the Alabama State Nurses Association, the American Nurses Association and the Alabama League for Nursing.

Alexander will begin her duties in January 2013.