

Wanda Nitsch

Dr. Wanda Nitsch, former President and Chief Academic Officer of the University of St. Augustine for Health Science, has been a physical therapist for 35+ years graduating with a Bachelor of Science in Physical Therapy degree from the State University of New York at Stony Brook. In 1997, she completed her Manual Therapy Certification and in 2000, her Masters of Science in Orthopaedic Physical Therapy from the University of St. Augustine for Health Sciences. With a strong interest in administration, Wanda completed her PhD in Education with a specialization in Higher Education Leadership from Capella University. Dr. Nitsch has previously served as an adjunct professor at the University of Maryland, Eastern Shore, Department of Physical Therapy. She is a member of the American Physical Therapy Association, past chair of the Academic Faculty Special Interest group and served on the Board of Directors for the Education Section. Dr. Nitsch has extensive experience in accreditation, working as a commissioner with one US accrediting agency and serving multiple times as chair and education specialist on accreditation site visits both nationally and internationally. Dr. Nitsch is a strong supporter of student-centric support services, innovative educational technology, and collaborative approaches to teaching and learning. Her area of research is outcome assessment, distance education administration, faculty development, and institutional research.