Edinburgh Napier University appoint new Dean of School of Health and Social Care

Susan Dawkes returns to Edinburgh Napier University as Dean of School of Health and Social Care.

Previously Professor Dawkes was Professor in Cardiovascular Health before moving to Robert Gordon University in Aberdeen where she led the School of Nursing, Midwifery and Paramedic Practice as Dean.

Professor Dawkes said: "I am delighted to be returning to Edinburgh Napier University as the Dean of the School of Health and Social Care.

"The University has gone from strength to strength over the last few years and I am proud to join this community to provide leadership for the delivery of high-quality, contemporary programmes of education for health and social care professionals not just in Scotland but across the world.

"I will also lead the team to continue to conduct multidisciplinary research that is world class, impactful and truly makes a difference to people's lives."

During Professor Dawkes's previous spell at ENU, where she began teaching nursing in 2004, she held senior leadership roles within the School, including as Head of Nursing and Head of Learning & Teaching. She is also an Honorary Research Consultant for the Cardiology and Cardiac Rehabilitation teams at NHS Lothian.

ENU is the only Scottish university which offers training across all nursing disciplines and midwifery, making the School of Health and Social Care is one of the largest providers of healthcare education in the country.

Professor Nick Antonopoulos, the Vice Principal for Research and Innovation said: "I am delighted to welcome Susan back to Edinburgh Napier University.

"During her time at RGU she has delivered substantial improvements in student recruitment and experience, as well as research, and engagement.

"Susan has personally led the development of numerous regional partnerships in the field, has strong national visibility having been appointed as the Convenor of the Council of Deans of Health in Scotland, and as an expert professional has had a significant influence on national policy."

