

Make a Difference

A Health Sciences degree offers a broad perspective of the health field, but more importantly, it focuses on hands-on, life changing, and even career determining experiences. With the health field emerging as one of America's fastest growing industries, Clemson's program is unique in that it is one of the few existing undergraduate programs across the nation with a Public Health emphasis.

The four-year major focuses on integral parts of the health science field to ensure students preparedness for graduate school or entry-level job positions upon graduation. For students who are motivated with not only the passion to learn, but also to dedicate their lives to helping and healing others, this program may be for you.

Our Mission

The mission of the Department of Public Health Sciences (DPHS) is the improvement of public health practice, health service delivery, and the general health status of the university community, the State of South Carolina, the nation, and the international community through applied innovative, collaborative, theoretically sound approaches to the integration of teaching, research, and service.

Our Vision

The Department of Public Health Sciences (DPHS) will be recognized by the College of Health, Education and Human Development, Clemson University, the State of South Carolina, and the nation as a leader in public health research, teaching, and service activities in fulfillment of the University's responsibilities as a land-grant institution and its aspirations for national excellence in education and scholarship.

The Clemson Program

The DPHS is comprised of twelve full-time faculty members who bring a variety of health expertise to the department. In addition, our faculty takes the time to get to know their students on a personal level and help them succeed in their academics as well as future endeavors.

The Department offers a Bachelor of Science degree in Health Science in a flexible curriculum that allows students to determine their desired career path by selecting one of the three concentration areas:

- **Health Promotion** prepares students to have the skills to assess, plan, communicate, implement, manage, and evaluate public health promotion programs. They also acquire health appraisal skills. Courses in Fitness, Obesity/Eating Disorders, Women's Health, Men's Health, Children's Health, Health Appraisal Skills, and Gerontology are some of the electives offered.
- **Preprofessional Health Studies** allows students to obtain the coursework and experience necessary for acceptance into various graduate programs in clinical health professions such as: Doctor, Physician Assistant, Dentist, Physical Therapist, etc.
- **Health Services Administration** allows students to develop skills and competencies in health administration/management for entry-level careers or graduate study in this area.

Language and International Health

The DPHS and the Languages Department offer a **joint BS degree in International Health** in which students complete the core Public Health Science courses as well as acquire proficiency in Spanish and become familiar with the Hispanic cultures, health, and multilingual issues.

Outside of the Classroom

- **Health 420- Health Science Internship** is conducted under the supervision of an approved agency. Students have the opportunity for on-the-job experiences as they are placed in an agency and develop personal/professional goals and objectives appropriate to the setting, population, and health issues. This is mandatory for all concentrations and requires 180 contact hours at the agency.

- **Faculty Research** may provide opportunities for students to participate in research projects in areas such as: Obesity, Physical Activity, Alcohol & Substance Abuse, Women's Health, Gerontology, Minority Health, and Violence Prevention.
- **The Joseph F. Sullivan Center** provides unique opportunities for students to gain experience in providing health promotion, disease prevention, and wellness services. Under the guidance of faculty, students plan and implement these services in a well-equipped, up-to-date health facility. Health Science students with proper training also conduct health fitness testing.
- **The Learning Resource Center** is located in 202 Edwards Hall and provides the following services to assist students and faculty:
 - ♦ Medical Equipment available for checkout (blood pressure cuffs, stethoscopes, thermometers, reflex hammers, penlights, and a variety of models for demonstration purposes).
 - ♦ Audiovisual Materials: video, audiocassettes, slides, transparencies, and flip charts.
 - ♦ Books/Journals/Theses: a small collection of books which are relevant to Public Health for checkout.
 - ♦ Computer and Video Technology: three interactive video stations, VCR stations, and software including SIS, e-mail, Word, Excel, and PowerPoint.
- **Gamma Chi Chapter of Eta Sigma Gamma** is the national professional honorary organization for Health Education whose principal purpose is to elevate the standards, ideals, competence, and ethics of professionally trained individuals in the Health Education discipline.
- **American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE)** is an international professional society of 30,000 healthcare executives who lead hospitals, healthcare systems and other healthcare organizations.

For More Information

Thank you for your interest in our program.
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Health Promotion



Preprofessional Health



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