Who We Are
Our programs encompass a broad and dynamic collection of specialties. In each of our programs, we create an experience that promote best practices and shape changes in practice based on scientific evidence. Our approach is to translate our strong platform in interdisciplinary science into health practices, therapies, and interventions that result in immediate improvements in people's lives.

Our College is also a place where partnerships play a key role in promoting health research and education. High-quality undergraduate and graduate programs, research pilot grant programs, and clinical research projects enable us to provide our students an evidence-based foundation with rich classroom, laboratory, and clinical experiences.

Department of Behavioral Health & Nutrition
With a focus on the psychosocial and behavioral aspects of health, wellness, illness, and aging, our Department prepares students for careers in wellness and health promotion, nutrition and dietetics, and medical and allied health professions. We offer undergraduate majors in applied nutrition, dietetics, nutritional sciences, and health behavior science, with minors in health and wellness, health, physical activity and disability, dance, coaching science, public health, and nutrition. In addition, students can earn master’s degrees in human nutrition and health promotion as well as a graduate certificate in health coaching.

Department of Kinesiology & Applied Physiology
Our Department offers undergraduate majors in athletic training and exercise science, with both designed as platforms for graduate school or clinical education in physical therapy, occupational therapy, medical school, dental school, and physician assistant programs. Minors are offered in exercise science and strength & conditioning. At the graduate level, options include a Ph.D. in applied physiology and a master’s in exercise science with concentrations in exercise science, biomechanics, motor control, sports medicine, and clinical exercise physiology.

Department of Medical Laboratory Sciences
We offer two undergraduate majors. The medical laboratory science degree primarily prepares students for careers as medical laboratory scientists, although some graduates go on to graduate or professional education. Medical diagnostics is a rigorous, clinically oriented program that educates students in disease prevention, prediction, diagnosis and treatment options, preparing them to pursue advanced professional careers in medicine, dentistry, optometry, physician assistant, or veterinary medicine. The medical diagnostics major also includes an optional pre-physician assistant concentration. The department also offers minors in medical diagnostics and forensic science.

Department of Physical Therapy
UD offers one of the highest-ranked DPT programs in the country, as well as clinical residency programs for practicing physical therapists in sports, orthopedic, neurologic, and geriatric physical therapy. In addition to our academic programs, our on-site clinics serve as educational settings for our students, residents, and practicing clinicians while providing outstanding rehabilitation services to the community. Many of our faculty are world-renowned researchers who contribute to improving the field of physical therapy and providing state-of-the-art education for our students.

School of Nursing
Our nursing students receive a well-rounded, broad-based education while developing the ability and knowledge to work as integral leaders and members of healthcare teams. At the undergraduate level, we offer a bachelor of science in nursing as well as an on-line RN to BSN program. Our graduate programs include clinical nurse specialist (adult-gerontology and pediatrics), nurse practitioner (adult-gerontology, family, and neonatal), and health services administration, as well as a Ph.D. in nursing science. Other options include a dual BSN/MSN degree and an MSN certificate program.

Communication Sciences & Disorders
The CSCD program is the latest degree program to be offered in the College of Health Sciences. The program, which will be housed at the STAR Health Sciences Complex, will begin accepting applications in Fall 2015 for matriculation in Fall 2016. The goals of the this program will be to prepare master’s-level speech-language pathologists to serve the needs of patients throughout the lifespan as well as to advance understanding of human communication and related disorders through faculty and student research activities. More information can be found at sites.udel.edu/cscd
BS/MS in Occupational Therapy
In addition to programs housed in our academic departments, our College also offers a combined BS/MS in Occupational Therapy via a cooperative agreement with Jefferson College of Health Professions of Thomas Jefferson University. Students spend their first three years at the University of Delaware earning a minimum of 90 credits and then proceed to Jefferson College of Health Professions for the final two and a half years of graduate occupational therapy coursework. The BS in Health Sciences is awarded from UD after successful completion of the first year courses at Jefferson. The MS in Occupational Therapy degree is awarded by Jefferson College of Health Professions after successful completion of the final year and a half of coursework.

AFFILIATES AND PARTNERS

Delaware Physical Therapy Clinical Services
Delaware’s premier out-patient clinic offers care in five areas: sports medicine, orthopedics, neurologic, older adults and pediatrics. In our three clinics, physical therapists, students, and researchers work together to implement cutting-edge treatment to patients from the University and the community at large. The clinics also offer education experiences for UD students, including opportunities for clinical practice, clinical research, and specialized practical experiences.

Nurse Managed Health Center
The UD-NMHC focuses on wellness and disease prevention. In addition to serving patients, the center, which is located at the new STAR campus, helps to educate the next generation of healthcare professionals and provides data for cutting-edge, patient-oriented biomedical research.

Biomechanics & Movement Science Program
UD’s BIOMS program includes faculty from the colleges of Health Sciences, Engineering, and Arts & Sciences, who use an interdisciplinary approach to research and graduate education. The program was recently ranked among the top graduate programs in BIOMS-related fields in the United States, according to the latest assessment by the National Research Council.

Center for Premedical and Health Profession Studies
The center is focused on helping students across the university who are pursuing careers in the health professions. It is focused on student outcomes—helping students achieve better success at the careers they have chosen and improving success at acceptance into medical schools. The Center provides pre-professional advisement and resources for students regarding medicine, dentistry, optometry, podiatry, physician assistant, advanced nurse practitioner, pharmacy, physical/occupational therapy, and other health profession programs.

Delaware Health Sciences Alliance
The alliance enables partner organizations to collaborate and conduct cutting-edge biomedical research, to improve the health of Delawareans through access to services in the state and region, and to educate the next generation of healthcare professionals. The four founding partners are Christiana Care Health System, Nemours/Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children, Thomas Jefferson University, and UD.

VITAL STATISTICS

Undergraduate enrollment ....................... 2,582
Graduate enrollment .............................. 363
Undergraduate degree programs ............... 15
Graduate degree programs ..................... 11
Faculty ................................................................. 98
Staff ................................................................. 61
Alumni ........................................................16,463

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