

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES PROGRAMS

JMU has more than 50 undergraduate and graduate programs of study that prepare students for diverse careers in health and human services (HHS). About 20% of the undergraduate students and more than 60% of the graduate students at JMU are preparing for HHS professional careers. Programs include 1) pre-health professional programs (pre-medicine, pre-pharmacy, etc.) that prepare students for graduate training elsewhere after graduation from JMU, 2) programs that prepare students for specific professional careers (social work, dietetics, physician assistant, nursing, etc.) and, 3) programs that provide a broad preparation not focused on a specific career (psychology, health assessment/promotion, etc.).

By their nature, HHS programs are applied and **experience-based professional programs**. They require students' **active involvement** in the application of classroom learning to practice settings and prepare students to **respond to contemporary challenges** in ways that are cost effective, holistic, high-quality, and **responsive to community health needs**. All of the programs require **practical, hands-on experience**, as a significant part of the student's professional preparation. **Technological literacy** is a priority within the context of becoming **high-touch, caring professionals**. Programs are designed to **develop personal and professional competencies**, and emphasize **communication, critical thinking, problem solving, leadership, interpersonal skills and collaboration**. The programs promote initiatives that provide **high quality, integrated, cross disciplinary, community-based, learning experiences** and that facilitate cross-disciplinary student and faculty research and service activities. It is our intent to graduate professionals with the **knowledge, attitudes, and skills necessary for building collaborations** and to **function effectively as peers in an interprofessional environment**. Students are expected to assume **personal responsibility and accountability** and to become **engaged citizens** and members of the workforce.

While curriculum for the HHS programs offered at JMU are housed in specific departments, students in pre-professional health programs can enroll in any JMU major. Curriculum outlines are provided as guidance for what is typically required by graduate professional schools. A campus-wide coordinated prehealth advisory system provides information and customized assistance to students.

Expert faculty, state of the art facilities including classrooms and up-to-date laboratories and equipment in combination with partnerships with local agencies provide a high quality, active-learning environment. The myriad of significant outreach activities associated with the HHS programs at JMU provide rich opportunities for making a positive impact on the health of the citizens in our region, and creates a valuable context for demonstrating the inter-relatedness of teaching and learning with research, outreach and service initiatives.

For More Information:

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www.cisat.jmu.edu

<http://csm.jmu.edu>

<http://www.iihhs.jmu.edu>

University homepage

College of Integrated Science and Technology

College of Science and Mathematics

Institute for Innovation in Health and Human Services

Pre-professional Health Programs

<http://www.iihhs.jmu.edu/academics/preprofhealth.html>

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS*	GRADUATE PROGRAMS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Athletic Training³ •Biotechnology^{1, 9} •Chronic Illness⁵ •Coaching Education⁴ •Communication Sciences and Disorders² •Dietetics³ •Exercise Science⁴ •Family Studies⁹ •Gerontology⁹ •Health Assessment and Promotion³ •Health Communication Studies¹² •Health Sciences³ •Health Services Administration³ •Health Studies³ •Kinesiology⁴ •Non-Profit Studies⁹ •Nursing⁵ •Occupational Studies³ •Psychology⁶ •Public Health Education (community and school health)³ •Social Work⁹ •Sport Communication⁴ •Sport & Recreation Management⁴ •Substance Abuse Intervention³ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Assessment and Measurement (PhD)⁷ •Audiology (Au.D.)² •College Student Personnel Administration (M.Ed.)⁷ •Combined-Integrated Clinical and School Psychology (Psy.D.)⁷ •Communication Sciences & Disorders (M.S., Ph.D.)² •Community Counseling (M.A., Ed.S.)⁷ •Dietetics (M.S.)³ •Exercise Science (M.S.)⁴ •Health Services Administration (M.B.A.)^{3, 11} •Nursing (M.S.N.)⁵ •Nutrition and Physical Activity (M.S.)^{3, 4} •Occupational Therapy (M.O.T.)³ •Physical and Health Education Teacher Education (M.A.T.)⁴ •Physician Assistant Studies(M.P.A.S.)³ •Psychological Sciences (M.A.)⁷ •School Counseling (M.Ed., Ed.S.)⁷ •School Psychology (M.A., Ed.S.)⁷ •Special Education (M.Ed., M.A.T.)⁷ •Speech Language Pathology (M.S.)² •Sport and Recreation Leadership (M.S.)⁴

*includes majors, concentrations and minors

¹<http://www.jmu.edu/biology/>

²<http://www.csd.jmu.edu/>

³<http://www.healthsci.jmu.edu/>

⁴<http://www.jmu.edu/kinesiology/>

⁵<http://www.nursing.jmu.edu/>

⁶<http://www.psyc.jmu.edu/undergraduate/>

⁷<http://www.psyc.jmu.edu/gradpsyc/>

⁸<http://www.jmu.edu/coe/exed/>

⁹<http://www.jmu.edu/socwork/>

¹⁰<http://www.isat.jmu.edu>

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