HEHD focuses on excellence in teaching, research and service while maximizing human potential so students have the skills, critical thinking and tools to become creative leaders. Through programs in the School of Nursing, the Department of Public Health Sciences, the Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism Management, the Department of Youth, Family and Community studies and other support units, HEHD produces individuals who are prepared to create and administer integrated health and human service systems. Additionally, our graduates are capable of bringing the collective resources of the community together to address the challenges and concerns facing many communities across South Carolina as well as the nation and world. Our goal is to foster collaboration, creative leadership, resiliency, an entrepreneurial spirit, a hunger for lifelong learning, ethical conduct, a global perspective, an appreciation for diversity and an understanding of the complex global economy.

Prior to his appointment as interim dean in July 2014, Wright was chair of HEHD’s Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism Management, where he has served since joining the Clemson faculty in 2002. He also serves as co-chair of the U.S. Play Coalition, which is housed at Clemson. He came to Clemson from George Mason University, where he taught in the Department of Health, Sport and Leisure Studies, directed the Center for Recreation Resources Policy, was an affiliate faculty for the Environmental Science and Public Policy Program in the Department of Biology, and chaired the Department of Health, Fitness and Recreation Resources. He earned his bachelor’s and master’s degrees from Morehead State University and his doctorate from Texas A&M University.

**STUDENTS**

Undergraduate: .................... 1,293  
Graduate: ......................... 569  
**Total: 1,862**

**FACULTY**

Tenure track: ......................... 79  
Adjunct/temporary: ................. 11  
Lecturers: ........................... 32  
**Total: 122**
Departments and Schools
HEHD includes the Department of Public Health Sciences, the School of Nursing, and the Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism Management and the Department of Youth, Family and Community Studies.

Centers and Institutes
- Center for Research and Collaborative Activities
- Center for Research on Health Disparities
- Clemson Outdoor Lab
- Clemson University Institute for Parks
- Clinical Learning and Research Center
- Institute for Engaged Aging
- Institute for the Advancement of Health Care*
- Institute on Family and Neighborhood Life
- International Institute for Tourism Research and Development
- Joseph F. Sullivan Center
- Osher Lifelong Learning Institute

* A collaborative institute among Greenville Health System, Clemson University and the University of South Carolina.

Special Programs
- HEHD and Clemson’s Division of Student Affairs offer a leadership certificate program for students interested in enhancing their university careers with a specialized leadership component. The value-added curriculum focuses on the what, how and why of leadership.
- PRTM EDGE is an immersive experience for sophomores that takes a collaborative approach to the core parks, recreation and tourism management content utilizing innovative teaching methods, creative inquiry research, real-world experience and experiential learning.
- Cardiovascular Imaging Leadership offers a baccalaureate degree that involves core courses in public health, leadership training and others that are necessary for certification as a vascular sonographer.
- Ph.D. in Healthcare Genetics is an interdisciplinary program offered through the School of Nursing.

Accomplishments and Rankings
- Our nursing licensure pass rate is 93.3 percent – higher than state and national averages. Nursing graduates have a nearly 100 percent job placement rate, within weeks of graduation.
- Clemson’s Parks, Recreation and Tourism Management program has been accredited through the National Recreation and Park Association for more than 35 years and is recognized as one of the nation’s top programs.
- The American Association of Colleges and Universities named the Department of Public Health Sciences as one of 15 exemplary undergraduate programs in public health.
- The National League for Nursing named the School of Nursing a Center of Excellence in Nursing Education, one of the highest honors in the nursing education field.