

COLLEGE OF BEHAVIORAL, SOCIAL AND HEALTH SCIENCES

CLEMSON UNIVERSITY

BUILDING PEOPLE AND COMMUNITIES

Clemson University's College of Behavioral, Social and Health Sciences is focused on becoming a national and international leader in building people and communities. We address health and wellness challenges, tackle human impacts on the environment, and build stronger communities by better understanding human, political and social behavior and the impact of an ever-connected world. While our departments and schools have distinctive characteristics and missions, they all have a common thread of service to people and communities. This collective effort contributes to Clemson's land-grant mission, strategic vision and global impact – and makes a tangible difference in South Carolina and beyond.

QUALITY STUDENTS, QUALITY PROGRAMS

Our students are a diverse group of individuals with a desire to improve the quality of life for others. They come from across the state, the nation and the world. With great students and the exemplary faculty and staff who guide them, our programs have amassed many honors and allow students to engage in a variety of unique programs.

LESLIE HOSSFELD, PH.D.

Dr. Hossfeld became dean of the College of Behavioral, Social and Health Sciences in July 2018. She came to Clemson from Mississippi State University, where she led the Department of Sociology. Trained in rural sociology at N.C. State University, she has extensive experience examining rural poverty and economic restructuring. She has presented to the U.S. Congress and the N.C. General Assembly on job loss and rural economic decline and has worked on economic recovery projects for rural North Carolina counties. She serves on a USDA SERA-47 Southern Extension Research Activity project to strengthen local and regional food needs and priorities in 13 Southern region states. Her current research focuses on multi-disciplinary strategies and collaborative partnerships to understand and alleviate persistent poverty in the Southeast. She is co-editor of *Food and Poverty: Food Insecurity and Food Sovereignty Among America's Poor*, released in 2018 by Vanderbilt University Press.



ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND RANKINGS

- 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.
- 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 Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism Management 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 journal *Communication Education* listed communication studies faculty member Joe Mazer in the top 1 percent of published scholars in the communication discipline.
- Psychology faculty member June J. Pilcher was one of five U.S. professors named a Jefferson Science Fellow by the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine. The program connects federal agencies with academia to achieve sound governmental policy and international development.
- Political science students participating in Model United Nations conferences have brought home awards every year since 1989.
- Katherine Weisensee, chair of the Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Criminal Justice, was one of two Clemson professors awarded a National Institutes of Health grant to investigate the use of 3D imaging that could allow for quicker diagnosis of children with Phelan-McDermid syndrome.

DEPARTMENTS AND SCHOOLS

The College of Behavioral, Social and Health Sciences offers degrees through the following departments and schools:

- Department of Communication
- Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism Management
- Department of Political Science
- Department of Psychology
- Department of Public Health Sciences
- Department of Sociology and Anthropology
- School of Nursing

CENTERS AND INSTITUTES

- Center for Research and Collaborative Activities
- Center for Research on Health Disparities
- Clemson University Regional Economic Analysis Laboratory (CU-REAL)
- Clinical Learning and Research Center
- Human Factors Institute
- Institute for Engaged Aging
- Institute for Parks
- Institute on Family and Neighborhood Life
- Joseph F. Sullivan Center
- Osher Lifelong Learning Institute
- Outdoor Lab
- School of Health Research*
- Social Media Listening Center

**A collaborative institute among Prisma Health–Upstate, Clemson University and the University of South Carolina*

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

- 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.
- The Department of Public Health Sciences offers several unique programs, including a Cardiovascular Imaging Leadership concentration, a program blending public health, leadership training and clinical training to prepare students for cardiovascular sonography careers; a M.S./Ph.D. in applied health research and evaluation, an interdisciplinary program that attracts applicants across the globe and prepares students for careers in a variety of research settings; and a graduate certificate in clinical and translational research,

a partnership with Greenville Health System that prepares clinicians and research associates to conduct research advancing science and improving clinical care.

- The School of Nursing is home to the first interdisciplinary Ph.D. in health care genetics in the U.S. The curriculum offers the opportunity for students to be mentored by faculty across the University and learn the vital elements of their discipline that can impact the evolving knowledge of genetics.
- The Social Media Listening Center provides the platform to capture and analyze more than 150 million sources of social media conversations to discover online sentiment and trend information.
- Political science students regularly participate in prestigious international internships through the U.S. Department of State, serving in locations such as Vienna, Austria; Guangzhou, China; Belgrade, Serbia; and Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina.
- The Department of Sociology and Anthropology's three undergraduate degree programs (sociology, anthropology, and justice studies) prepare students to be leaders in their communities, and the M.S. in social science program has been recognized for its excellence in providing in-depth methodological training to its students.
- The Department of Psychology offers Ph.D. programs in industrial-organizational psychology and human factors psychology, as well as a M.S. degree in applied psychology.

BY THE NUMBERS

STUDENTS

3,225

UNDERGRADUATE

620

GRADUATE

3,845

TOTAL

FACULTY

138

TENURED & TENURE-TRACK

87

NON-TENURE TRACK

225

TOTAL

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