



College of **BEHAVIORAL, SOCIAL AND HEALTH SCIENCES**

ONE COLLEGE, ONE MISSION

With seven departments and schools and nine centers and institutes, Clemson University's College of Behavioral, Social and Health Sciences (CBSHS) is **united by a single mission: building people and communities**. Through our diverse combination of disciplines, we are **committed to improving the wellness of our community and world**. We equip students for careers that make a difference – youth development specialists, psychologists, conservation managers, social scientists, nurses, communications experts and public health professionals, to name just a few. We also engage research and teaching that enhances understanding of the human and social condition, and we pursue outreach and service that confronts issues and solves problems. In all these efforts, we contribute to Clemson's land-grant mission to better the lives of people in South Carolina and beyond.

SCHOOLS AND DEPARTMENTS

- Communication
- Nursing
- Parks, Recreation and Tourism Management
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Public Health Sciences
- Sociology, Anthropology and Criminal Justice

CENTERS AND INSTITUTES

- Center for Research on Health Disparities
- 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
- Social Media Listening Center



ABOUT DEAN HOSSFELD

Dr. Hossfeld became dean of the College of Behavioral, Social and Health Sciences in 2018. 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 also serves on a USDA research project to strengthen food needs and priorities in 13 Southern states. Her current research focuses on multi-disciplinary strategies and collaborative partnerships to understand and alleviate persistent poverty in the Southeast, particularly around local food systems development, food access and food security. She works to bridge U.S. local food systems research to initiatives improving health outcomes and disparities to develop policy coherence linking health to agriculture policy and demonstrating health as an economic development strategy. She is co-editor of *Food and Poverty: Food Insecurity and Food Sovereignty Among America's Poor*.

A 21ST-CENTURY LAND-GRANT COLLEGE

In areas from food security to racial inclusivity, we are committed to being a **21st century land-grant college** — and a state and national leader in tackling issues relevant to people and communities.

Aging Research and Outreach: The college has hired a SmartLIFE Endowed Professor in Aging and Cognition and, in partnership with Prisma Health Oconee Memorial Hospital, is opening a center to address needs for the aging population.

Clemson Rural Health: Housed in the college, Clemson Rural Health is the organizing framework for Clemson's health service delivery and prevention efforts statewide. It includes the Joseph F. Sullivan Center's Walhalla clinic, mobile health van fleet, and at-risk community COVID-19 screening teams, as well as projects with partners inside and outside the college. It also involves community development projects led by the dean and faculty across CBSHS as well as outreach to rural nurse practitioners in Appalachia led by the School of Nursing.

COVID-19 Response: Our professors have been leading voices on the impact of the virus, and we have engaged a variety of projects to assist those affected by the pandemic.

Food Security and Rural Economic Development: The college is taking the lead on food systems projects that address food insecurity, food access and rural economic development through community-based partnerships.

Public Opinion Research/Outreach: Our Social Media Listening Center helps organizations gauge and share information about important social and political happenings. The center partnered with our Department of Political Science to release the Clemson University Palmetto Poll — which researched public opinion about the South Carolina presidential primaries — and it helps state and University entities analyze social media information during emergencies and events.

Racial and Ethnic Diversity: Faculty members in the Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism Management have developed a Race, Ethnicity, Youth and Social Equity Collaboratory to foster understanding about the ways social inequalities and injustice affect young people.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS & 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.
- Criminal justice and psychology alumna Ashni Bhojwani '20 earned the coveted Truman Scholarship, given to students who show commitment to public service. She was the only student in South Carolina this year and the third Clemson student to ever receive the honor.
- 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.
- Public health sciences faculty member Kathleen Cartmell received the South Carolina Adolescent Immunization Task Force Leadership Award for her work leading a statewide project optimizing delivery of HPV vaccinations in the state.
- Political science professor Laura Olson earned a Fulbright Scholar research grant to spend a semester at the University of Bari Aldo Moro in Italy, studying the relationship between religion and public opinion on migration.
- In collaboration with the Department of Communication, Clemson and WYFF 4 established an academic partnership that gives members of Clemson student media the opportunity to work in a satellite news bureau on Clemson's campus — making Clemson the only university in South Carolina to feature an on-campus news bureau occupied by an outside media organization.
- The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi — the nation's oldest and most selective collegiate honor society — recently named psychology professor June J. Pilcher to serve on its board of directors.
- Sociology professor Sarah Winslow was one of two Clemson educators awarded the U.S. Department of Education's Fulbright-Hays Group Project Abroad Grant to further build global service-learning and engagement opportunities in India for Clemson students and faculty.

By the Numbers

4,216 STUDENTS

237 FACULTY

26,581 ALUMNI