

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION & HEALTH PROFESSIONS

The College of Education and Health Professions offers programs in Teacher Education, Educational Leadership, Counseling, Nursing, Health Science, and Exercise Science. With over 2,000 students enrolled in the College of Education and Health Professions and over 500 degrees awarded per year, we are a significant contributor to the local and regional job market.

Our candidates are widely recruited due to the reputation of our programs. Over 50% of the teachers in Muscogee County are graduates of Columbus State University, and approximately 65% of the area's nurses are Columbus State University graduates. We contribute significantly to the educational and health care needs of the community.

We believe in the importance of being leaders in our fields. Faculty in the College of Education and Health Professions are engaged in the community through partnerships with school districts, hospitals, clinics, and other organizations. Our education faculty are often invited to speak across the state and nationwide about our success with new teacher preparation assessments and our effective partnerships with school districts. Our nursing faculty are being invited to speak at national conferences about preparing nurses to offer a high quality patient care in a health care system under strain due to workforce shortages. Exercise science and health science faculty are conducting research to gain insight into the obesity problem that plagues our nation in an effort to prevent diseases.

Several outreach centers support our efforts to have an impact on the community, providing invaluable service to the region. These centers include the Center for Quality Teaching and Learning, the Coca-Cola Space Science Center, the Columbus Regional Mathematics Collaborative, the Center for Health Disparities and Community-Based Research, and Oxbow Meadows Environmental Learning Center.

Our goal is to elevate the quality of life in Columbus by leading the region in innovative education and cutting edge health care. We strive to have a positive effect on the quality of life in the community and the region by making ourselves known for our expertise in the fields of education and health professions.

Departments

- Department of Kinesiology & Health Sciences (<https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/academic-units/education-health-professions/kinesiology-health-sciences/>)
- School of Nursing (<https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/academic-units/education-health-professions/nursing/>)
- Teacher Education, Leadership, and Counseling (<https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/academic-units/education-health-professions/tlc/>)