Quick Reference Guide for Information on the School of Health Sciences

General Information

**Fast Facts**
- Fall 2015 total enrollment of students in Health Science majors was 1,574.
- Class sizes are small resulting in low instructor-to-student ratios; help is always available.
- Skill-affirming certifications & licensure results, coupled with tremendous employer satisfaction, provide proof our programs are successfully meeting our primary goal of producing competent entry-level practitioners.
- Graduates can expect to find immediate employment in Health and Allied Health career fields that are expected to grow faster than the average for all occupations through 2020.
- Students learn using the latest advanced technology and state-of-the-art equipment in simulation patient care environments.
- Our programs have cultivated excellent relationships with affiliated health care facilities allowing our students to practice their skills thoroughly and beyond Pennsylvania.

**Student Organizations & Activities Affiliated with the School of Health Sciences**
- Health Information Association – Fosters an understanding of the rapidly changing health care environment and develops interests in health information careers including coding, medical records technician, abstracting, quality improvement, and data analysis.
- Medical Imaging Club – Promotes student professionalism within the organization, enhances academic standing, and provides the community with activities that promote sustained health.
- Occupational Therapy Assistant Club – Dedicated to the promotion and understanding of occupational therapy, both on campus and in the community.
- Physician Assistant Club (PAC) – Promotes the professional growth of students and serves as a channel for the exchange of ideas between peers, professionals, and the community in the physician assistant field.
- Student American Dental Hygienists’ Association (SADHA) – Introduces students to professional objectives and functions and promotes College and community awareness of dental hygiene issues.
- Student Nurse Association (SNA) – Promotes student involvement in the improvement of community health conditions. Students volunteer their services with local community service agencies.
- Society of Student Surgical Technologists – Promotes student professionalism within the organization and assists the student in becoming a mature, competent, skilled, & involved ST.
- Exercise Science – Aims to build a strong community amongst Exercise Science majors and spread the message of fitness and wellness to the community.

Accreditations & Memberships
- American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA)
- Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN)
- State Board of Nursing
- Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (COTA)
- Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions (COAEMSP)
- PA Department of Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services
- Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT)
- Exercise Science major is recognized by the National Strength and Conditioning Association
- Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs
- Upon the Recommendation of the Accreditation Review Council on Education in Surgical Technology & Surgical Assisting (ARCSSTA)
- Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant (ARC-PA)
- Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM)
- Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE)

**School Information/Degrees**

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**Special Admissions Requirement**

Selection into any Health Sciences major is competitive. The School of Health Sciences, in conjunction with Admissions, has developed an admission ranking system that is used to help determine acceptances into most majors. Those seeking selection into a Health Science major should meet with the respective Program Director.

**Associate’s Degrees**
- Dental Hygiene (DH)
- Emergency Medical Services (ER)
- Health Information (HI)
- Practical Nursing (HN)
- Nursing (NR)
  - Nursing LPN to RN
- Occupational Therapy Assistant (OC)
- Exercise Science (XS)
- Radiography (RD)
- Surgical Technology (SG)
- Physical Therapist Assistant (TP)

**Bachelor’s Degrees**
- Applied Health Studies Completion (BAH)
  - Emergency Medical Services
  - Exercise Science
  - Occupational Therapy Assistant
  - Radiography
  - Surgical Technology
- Dental Hygiene: Health Policy & Administration (BHM)
- Health Information Management (BHI)
- Nursing: Traditional (BGN)
- Nursing: RN to BSN Completion (BSN)
- Physician Assistant (BSA)
  - Option to enroll in a master’s degree

**Certificates**
- Paramedic Technician (PE)
School of Health Sciences Degree Opportunities

- Bachelor Majors
- Associate Majors
- Certificates

- Applied Health Studies (BAH)
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- Distance Education Option
- Transfer in with minimum or no loss of credit
- Credential required for admission