



The HPNP Complex is home to the colleges of Public Health and Health Professions, Nursing, and Pharmacy.

## Education

The University of Florida College of Public Health and Health Professions is one among more than 60 colleges and schools in the U.S. that have achieved accreditation as a school of public health from the Council on Education for Public Health.

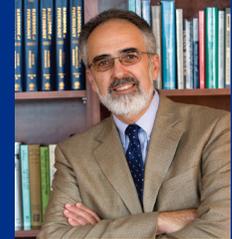
Across its eight departments — biostatistics; clinical and health psychology; environmental and global health; epidemiology; health services research, management and policy; occupational therapy; physical therapy; and speech, language, and hearing sciences — the college offers two bachelor's, seven master's, eight Ph.D. and three professional degree programs. The college is also home to eight federally funded training grants focused on breathing research and therapeutics, movement disorders and neurorestoration, cognitive and mental health, rehabilitation and neuromuscular plasticity, substance abuse, rehabilitation research career development, treatment of young children with disabilities, and HIV health outcomes.

### U.S. News & World Report graduate program rankings (among public universities)

Occupational therapy .....	4
Physical therapy .....	6
Biostatistics.....	10
Health care management.....	17
Clinical psychology .....	19
Speech-language pathology.....	20
Public health .....	22
Audiology.....	24

### Public Health and Health Professions FY21 revenues

Grants/Contracts	\$34.9M	46.0%
Tuition	\$14.3M	18.9%
State Allocation	\$13.4M	17.7%
Clinical Care	\$4.8M	6.3%
Foundation	\$4.3M	5.7%
Auxiliary/Self-funded	\$4.1M	5.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$75.8M</b>	<b>100%</b>



Michael G. Perri, Ph.D.  
Dean, 2007-2022



Beth A. Virnig, Ph.D.  
Appointed Dean, 2022

**20**  
degree programs

**2,934**  
students

**186**  
faculty

**\$35**  
million  
in research awards

**8**

federally funded training grants

**12**

investigators received annual grant funding of \$1 million or more

**12,500+**  
UF HealthStreet members

**116**

faculty, staff and students volunteered at COVID-19 vaccination clinics



Andrew Rainey and Amber O'Conner, doctoral students in environmental and global health and members of the Gator WATCH™ team, sample water from a campus manhole.



Drs. Sabhya Rana and Michael Sunshine, postdoctoral associates in Dr. David Fuller's lab, examine a tissue sample as part of their research to improve respiratory function in people with spinal cord injuries.

### Research

Among public health schools at public universities, the college is ranked eighth in National Institutes of Health funding. Faculty members publish their findings in high-impact journals, such as The New England Journal of Medicine, The Lancet, JAMA, Science and the Journal of Clinical Oncology.

In support of the university's artificial intelligence initiative, the college has hired six new faculty members with expertise in AI. Current PPHP research projects using AI technology include developing precision doses for a nonpharmaceutical treatment for brain health, real-time surveillance of antimicrobial resistance, predicting the effectiveness of new cancer nanomedicines and forecasting hotspots of infectious disease transmission. College researchers are also conducting a number of ongoing studies related to COVID-19, such as disease modeling, long-term health effects among patients with COVID, and coronavirus transmission between humans and animals.

### Service

The department of clinical and health psychology provides psychological services for the entire academic health center and UF Health Physicians practices. UF HealthStreet works to reduce disparities in health care and research by linking people to opportunities to participate in research and medical and social services. The department of occupational therapy offers UF SmartDriver Rehab, the area's only driving rehabilitation service providing evaluations and interventions to improve driving skills of older adults and those with medical conditions that may affect driving. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, college faculty, staff and students have contributed in many ways, including serving as disease investigators in support of the university's campus response through the Florida Department of Health, volunteering at vaccination clinics, providing campus and community wastewater surveillance, combating misinformation through numerous media interviews, and collaborating with the World Health Organization on the implementation and evaluation of COVID-19 vaccine and treatment trials.

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