

# COLLEGE OF ALLIED HEALTH INFORMATION

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## Profile

The College of Allied Health was authorized by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education in 1967, and activated in February 1970, to consolidate and coordinate existing programs on The University of Oklahoma Health Sciences campus and to further develop programs to meet allied health resource needs in Oklahoma. The College of Allied Health's mission is to promote a culture that develops health professionals who enrich the lives of people and communities through interprofessional education, discovery, and care. In 2009, the College of Allied Health relocated to its dedicated College building on the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences campus. In November 2020, the College of Allied Health celebrated its 50th anniversary.

The College serves as the academic unit for programs in audiology, communication sciences and disorders, dietetics, nuclear medicine, nutritional sciences, occupational therapy, physical therapy, radiation sciences, radiation therapy, radiography, rehabilitation sciences, sonography, and speech-language pathology.

The college pass rate on professional entry Boards/Licensure examinations in the nine professional-entry programs is over 95%. Through its graduate programs, the College prepares future leadership, faculty, advanced practice clinicians, and researchers for the professions and Oklahoma.

The College is authorized to offer twenty-one programs: seven baccalaureate, eleven at the master or doctoral level, and three certificate programs. Diagnosis of disease and disorders, wellness and prevention, therapeutic and rehabilitative services, healthcare administration, and allied health professions education encompass the spectrum of professional programs in the College of Allied Health. Faculty offer continuing education programs for practitioners in Oklahoma and the region, and faculty development seminars for clinicians involved with professional-entry programs in the College.

The College extended its accredited professional-entry programs in Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy to the Tulsa campus in 1998. In 2002, the College offered OU's first web-based graduate degree program in Rehabilitation Sciences, and in 2003 its first post-professional web-based undergraduate degree program in Radiation Sciences. The professional-entry accredited program in Sonography was extended to the Tulsa campus in Fall 2006.

## Accreditation

All professional-entry programs are fully accredited by their respective professional accreditation organizations. The University is accredited by the North Central Association.

## Centers of the College

**John W. Keys Speech and Hearing Center** was established in 1947 at University Hospital as a speech and hearing clinic and moved into its own building in 1957. When its founding clinic director retired in 1977, the facility was named in his honor as the John W. Keys Speech and Hearing Center. The Center contains a clinic for care giving, student education, and research labs.

**Lee Mitchener Tolbert Library and Resource Center for Developmental Disabilities** was established in 1998 to meet critical statewide needs for education, development of public policy, research, and model services for Oklahomans with developmental disabilities.