HHS UPDATE

Spring Faculty Meeting
April 23, 2025
Aaron Bowman, Dean



College of Health and Human Sciences

Congratulations on your new role!



Jason Cannon Interim Head Health Sciences



Kim Kinzig Head Psychological Sciences

Thank you for your outstanding service!

Susie Swithers has provided strong and effective leadership in the areas of new faculty hiring, faculty professional development and faculty mentoring. Her work has been instrumental in refining our new faculty hiring process, from tracking search status and outcomes to refining offer letters to implementing procedures for Moveable Dream Hires to enabling dual career hires and much more. She will continue her role as Professor of Psychological Sciences.

Susie Swithers
Professor, Psychological Sciences
Inaugural Associate Dean of Faculty Affairs
(Nov 2021- June 2025)





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Tim Gavin has served as professor and head of Health and Kinesiology since 2012. Under his leadership, HK has graduated approximately 2,000 undergraduate and 150 graduate students. HK has accelerated the path to graduation by 15-20%, offered 12 faculty promotions and increased its research portfolio with additional space, renovated space and research grants.

Tim will remain on the HK faculty.

Tim Gavin
Professor and Head
Health and Kinesiology



Thank you for your outstanding service and best wishes!

Jennifer Simpson began her career in SLHS in 2002 and has served as interim head of the department since May 1, 2024. We are thankful for her thoughtful and effective leadership as interim head as well as her outstanding scholarship as an SLHS faculty member, director of clinical education and director of the audiology clinic.

Jennifer has accepted an offer to be Dean of Central Michigan University's College of Health Professions starting in August. We wish her continued success!

Jenn Simpson

Professor and Interim Head Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences



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Nancy Edwards has had an outstanding career in the School of Nursing, including serving as interim head from January 2023 until she was appointed head in August 2024. Over the past 27 years, she has taught in the school's undergraduate and graduate programs, served as coordinator for the adult gerontology nurse practitioner program and as director for graduate nursing programs. She teaches in and is director for the primary care adult gerontology nurse practitioner program. We wish her all the best as she retires in August.

Nancy Edwards
Professor and Head
School of Nursing





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Tom Berndt played an active role in the formation of the College of Health and Human Sciences during the 2009-10 academic year, and he has served on the HHS leadership team since the college was established in July 2010. Throughout his time in HHS, Tom has consistently advocated for the excellence of HHS academic programs and for HHS students within the competitive environment of Purdue. We wish him all the best as he retires in June.

Tom Berndt
Senior Associate Dean for Academic
Affairs and Administration
Professor, Psychological Sciences



CONGRATULATIONS!

Highly Prestigious and Prestigious Awards



Distinguished Fellow of the American Society for Nutrition

The Distinguished Fellow of the American Society for Nutrition program was established in 1952 as the highest honor that the Society bestows for notable lifetime achievements.



Wayne Campbell
Professor
Nutrition Science



Presidential Early Career Awards for Scientists and Engineers

The Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers Award is the highest honor bestowed by the U.S. government on outstanding scientists and engineers beginning their independent careers.



David J. Purpura

Professor
Human Development and Family Science
Director
Center for Early Learning

Arthur C. Guyton Awards for Excellence in Integrative Physiology

The Arthur C. Guyton Award is presented annually to one individual demonstrating outstanding promise based on their research program and is presented at the American Physiology Summit Awards Meeting.



Igor Fernandez
Assistant Professor
Health and Kinesiology



Fellow, Association for Psychological Science

Fellow status is awarded to Association for Psychological Sciences members who have made sustained outstanding contributions to the science of psychology in the areas of research, teaching, service, and/or application.



Valerie Knopik
Professor and Head
Human Development and
Family Science



Doug SamuelProfessor
Psychological Sciences



Brook MacnamaraAssociate Professor
Psychological Sciences

CONGRATULATIONS!

Internal Purdue Awards



2025 Charles B. Murphy Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award

The Charles B. Murphy Award, Purdue's highest undergraduate teaching honor, recognizes up to five recipients (nominated through individual colleges) each year as models in excellent undergraduate education.



Scott Lawrance
Clinical Professor
Health and Kinesiology



2025 Exceptional Early Career Teaching Award

The Exceptional Early Career Teaching Award recognizes exceptional undergraduate faculty members with the rank of assistant professor (including assistant clinical professor).



Rebecca Johnson
Clinical Assistant Professor
Nursing



2025 Kinley Trust Awards

The Clifford B. Kinley Trust was established in 1978 to fund research relating to human welfare and was activated in 1991. The endowment was established to fund research which uses a social science perspective to explore methods for improving the human condition.



Natasha Jaiswal
Assistant Professor
Health and Kinesiology



Kristine Marceau
Associate Professor
Human Development and
Family Science

2024 Lu Ann Aday Award

The Lu Ann Aday Award was established in 2017 by Purdue alumna Lu Ann Aday, the Lorne D. Bain Distinguished Professor Emerita in Public Health and Medicine at the University of Texas School of Public Health-Houston. The annual award recognizes a member of the Purdue University faculty who has made a major impact on his or her field in the humanities and social sciences.



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2025 Christine M. Ladisch Faculty Leadership Award

HHS endowment award that honors the inaugural dean of HHS, Christine M. Ladisch, in recognition of her outstanding leadership at Purdue University. The award provides funds for leadership development opportunities to rising academic leaders.



Chenell Loudermill

Clinical Professor and Director of Clinical Education for Speech Language Pathology in the Department of Speech, Language and Hearing Sciences (SLHS) and HHS Dean's Fellow

2024 Distinguished Professor

As part of the University's commitment to excellence in discovery, learning and engagement, we award distinguished and named professorships to outstandingly original, creative and productive faculty whose achievements in discovery and learning have been internationally recognized or who have made a unique contribution to the University through discovery, learning and/or engagement.



Catherine A. McBride
Distinguished Professor of Human
Development and Family Science

2024 Named Professor

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Kevin Kam Fung So

C.B. Smith Endowed Professor of
Hospitality and Tourism Management

2024 Showalter Early Career Awards

The Ralph W. and Grace M. Showalter Research Trust annually provides funding to Purdue in support of scientific and medical research.



Qinglan (Priscilla) Ding Nursing



Brandon Kistler Nutrition Science



Thivanka Muthumalage Health Sciences

2025 Flora Roberts Award

Presented annually to one outstanding senior in recognition of their high standards of academic achievement, outstanding leadership, strength of character and contributions to Purdue University. The award is among the highest honors bestowed upon a graduating senior.



Kelsey Smart

Triple majoring in

Speech, Language, and Hearing
Sciences (HHS), Sociology (CLA)
and Linguistics (CLA)

HHS Student Snapshot

9 UNITS, 22 UNDERGRADUATE MAJORS

- Health and Kinesiology
 - 1 major, 659 students
- Health Sciences
 - 4 majors, 992 students
- Hospitality and Tourism Management
 - 4 majors, 715 students
- Human Development and Family Science
 - 4 majors, 191 students
- Nursing
 - 1 major, 627 students
- Nutrition Science
 - 4 majors, 215 students



- Psychological Sciences
 - 2 majors, 1120 students
- Public Health
 - 1 major, 173 students
- Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences
 - 1 major, 316 students

STUDENT STATS

- 5,008 undergraduate students
- 758 **graduate** students
- 5,766 **total** students
- 64.1% Indiana residents
- 74.7% female
- 14.9% URM
- 1,088 new beginners (fall 2024)
- 224 CODOs (spring 2025)

As of 4/22/2025

Fall 2025 Admissions Status

As of 4/22/2025

HHS Admits count: 3,306 (3,873 LY) HHS Accepts count: 789 (839 LY)

HHS Admits rate: 43.4% (53.4% LY) HHS Accepts rate: 23.9% (21.7% LY)



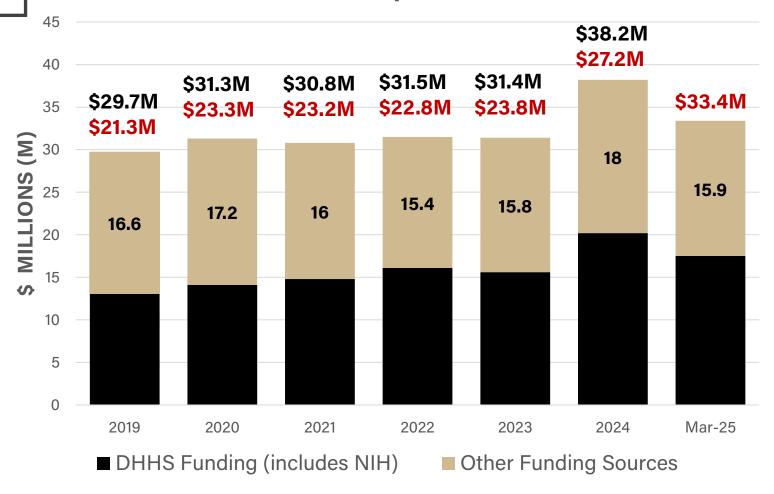
RESEARCH

EXCELLENCE

HHS EXTRAMURAL RESEARCH EXPENDITURES SETTING RECORDS

In FY 2024, HHS sponsored program expenditures increased by 22% over the previous year – setting an all-time record.

Research Expenditures





NOTE: Number in red indicates expenditures as of March of that fiscal year — equivalent to partial FY 2025 data.

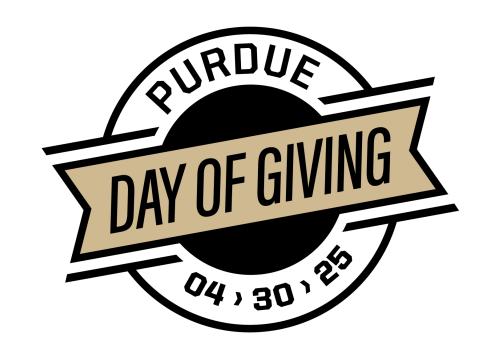
HHS Development

\$14.5 million raised July 1, 2024-present

Purdue Day of Giving is April 30.

HHS has already won \$500 in a video sharing challenge! Help HHS win more bonus funds by participating in one or more hourly challenges. Details coming to your email inbox soon.

Thank you for supporting HHS!



College Updates and Activities

- HHS Dean's office updates
- One Health cluster hires
- Responses to the current government climate around funding, TA lines, and international students
- The role of HHS at Purdue University in Indianapolis