



Education

The University of Florida College of Public Health and Health Professions' mission is to shape tomorrow's public health and health professionals through dynamic and responsive educational programs, transformational research, groundbreaking discoveries and equitable health-related service.

The college houses 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. These disciplines share a common focus on prevention through three different applications along a continuum: disease prevention, early detection and treatment, and limiting the impact of chronic illness.

The college offers 25 academic programs of study across the bachelor's, master's, Ph.D. and professional levels and is home to six federally funded T32 training grants. The college also offers a nine-credit certificate to help undergraduate students apply knowledge in artificial intelligence to future careers in public health and health sciences.

FY 23 REVENUES	Sponsored-awards	\$54.8M	48.5%
	Tuition	\$20.3M	17.9%
	State appropriation	\$19.4M	17.2%
	Indirect cost returns	\$10.1M	8.9%
	Clinical and professional	\$5.0M	4.5%
	Advancement	\$3.4M	3.0%
	Total	\$113M	



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25

academic programs
of study

3,029

students

193

faculty

98.4%

undergraduate four-year
graduation rate

94%+

first time pass rate on board
certification exams

Top 10

NIH research funding among schools of public health at public universities

\$54.8M

new research awards

33%

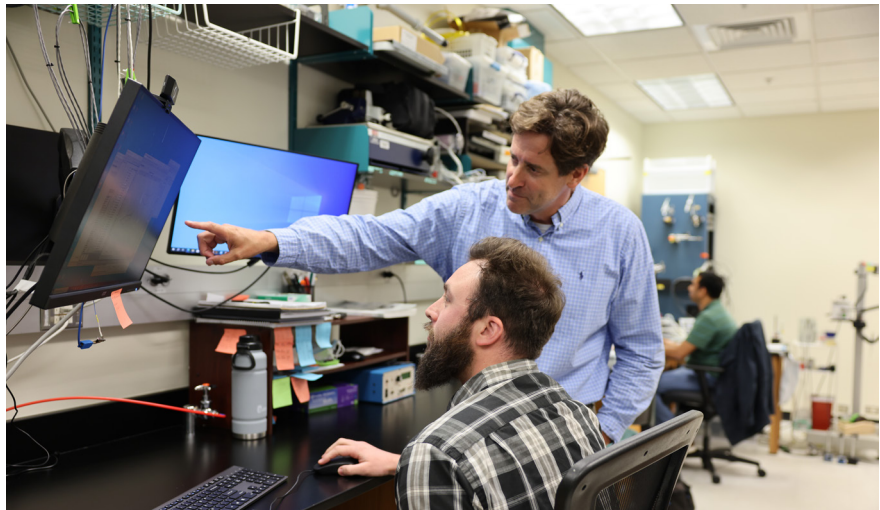
increase in FY23 federal research funding

3

equal access clinics providing pro bono care

16,982

patient visits performed by clinical and health psychology faculty and trainees



Research

The College of Public Health and Health Professions achieved a new high in research funding, receiving \$54.8 million in grants and awards in fiscal year 2022-2023. The total represents a 23% overall increase in funding over the previous year and a 33% increase in federal funding. A number of factors contributed to the college's funding milestone such as an increase in larger, more complex center level grants; more early career faculty receiving research support; the strength of faculty recruitment efforts, including hires under UF's artificial intelligence initiative; and an investment in college infrastructure, including more staff to support grants management and expenditures.

More than 120 faculty members serve as key personnel on research projects that span basic science and animal research studies to randomized clinical trials and community interventions. In 2023, the college launched a new internal funding mechanism, the PHHP Research Innovation Fund. It is designed to fund pilot testing or feasibility studies that will place faculty members, particularly early career researchers, in an optimal position to obtain research funding from outside agencies.

Service

Faculty, staff and students take an active role in serving the community in a number of ways, including three student-run equal access clinics offering free clinical psychology, occupational therapy and physical therapy services to people who are uninsured or underinsured. The department of speech, language, and hearing sciences recently launched a telehealth clinic providing treatment for aphasia, autism, fluency disorders and cognitive disorders.

The department of clinical and health psychology's UF Health Psychology Specialties practice provides psychological services for the entire academic health center and UF Health Physicians practices. The department of occupational therapy offers UF SmartDriver Rehab, the area's only driving rehabilitation service offering evaluations and interventions to improve driving skills of older adults and drivers of all ages.