MISSION:
The School of HHS, through teaching, scholarship, community engagement and service, prepares new generations of professionals, leaders, scholars, and entrepreneurs to enhance the quality of life of individuals, families, and communities.

- The key tenets of the university's Giant Steps strategic plan (health and wellness, vibrant communities and global connections) fit squarely within the School's mission.
- HHS strategic goals: Enhance student success, support faculty development and strengthen graduate program

ENROLLMENT (2017):
3,841 students (3,215 undergraduate, 626 graduate)
174 faculty

DEPARTMENTS:
Communication Sciences and Disorders
Community and Therapeutic Recreation
Human Development and Family Studies
Kinesiology
Nutrition
Peace and Conflict Studies
Public Health Education
Social Work
Genetic Counseling Program

CENTERS AND RESEARCH NETWORKS:
- Speech and Hearing Center
- Center for Women’s Health and Wellness
- ADHD Clinic
- Childcare Education Program
- Institute to Promote Athlete Health and Wellness
- Civil–Military Research Network
- Child and Family Research Network
- Gerontology Research Network
- Healthy UNCG

FALL 2018 HIGHLIGHTS:
- We are welcoming 13 new faculty members and 495 new students in fall 2018.
- We awarded scholarships to 119 HHS students for the 2018-19 academic year.
- We have one of the most diverse student populations on campus.
- We are the number one academic unit in research and contract funding at $8.5 million.
RANKINGS:

**Human Development and Family Studies**
- The School of Health and Human Science’s Department of Human Development and Family Studies (HDFS) is ranked 10th in the nation and 1st in North Carolina by The HDFS Report.
- The Master of Education program in Early Childhood Education ranked 2nd best online master’s program in the field by The Best Schools [https://thebestschools.org/rankings/25-best-online-master-education-early-childhood-education-degree-programs/](https://thebestschools.org/rankings/25-best-online-master-education-early-childhood-education-degree-programs/)
- Ranked #1 in most affordable and #17 overall Online Masters in Child Development by TopMasters in Education. [https://www.topmastersineducation.com/most-affordable-online-masters-child-development-degrees/](https://www.topmastersineducation.com/most-affordable-online-masters-child-development-degrees/)

**Communication Sciences and Disorders**
- CSD’s Masters degree program in Speech-Language Pathology (by US News & World Reports’ Best Graduate Programs): 30th in the nation (2018)

**Kinesiology**
- The National Academy of Kinesiology ranked UNCG’s Department of Kinesiology’s Doctoral program in the School of Health and Human Sciences 21st in the nation in 2015.
- Kinesiology has the only online EdD program in the country.

**Public Health Education**
- PHE: Ranked #1 "Most affordable online colleges for public health degrees" by the SR Education Group [https://www.onlineu.org/most-affordable-colleges/public-health-degrees](https://www.onlineu.org/most-affordable-colleges/public-health-degrees)
- PHE: Ranked #1 "Top online colleges for a bachelor's degree in public health" by the SR Education Group [https://www.guidetooneschools.com/degrees/public-health#top-bachelors](https://www.guidetooneschools.com/degrees/public-health#top-bachelors)

**Genetic Counseling**
- UNCG houses one of 37 genetic counseling programs in the US and the only one in the state. Genetic counseling is one of the most rapidly growing health care fields.

RECENT NEWS:
The Department of Social Work will launch a [new Joint Ph.D. in Social Work](https://www.newjointphd.com/) with NC A&T in fall 2019. The Department of [Kinesiology’s online EdD program’s first cohort of students graduated](https://www.kinesiology.uncg.edu/edd/) in August 2018.

**Dr. Mike Perko** (Public Health Education) was awarded the 2018 NC System teaching award. 
**Dr. Meredith Powers** (Social Work) spoke at the United Nations Social Work Day.
**Dr. Laurie Wideman** (Kinesiology) received the inaugural Safrit-Ennis Distinguished Professorship, a tremendous honor made possible by the generosity of our alumni Dr. JoAnne Safrit and her late partner Dr. Cathy Ennis.
Dr. Steve Silverman spoke at this year’s [Lawther Lecture](https://www.kinesiology.uncg.edu/lawther-lecture/) on school physical education assessment, in honor of Dr. Cathy Ennis.
Eight HHS students were accepted into the inaugural year of the [McNair scholars program](https://www.mcnairprogram.org/), an initiative to promote student enrollment and success in graduate school, focusing on low-income and underrepresented populations.
Two HHS seniors were named [Spartans of Promise](https://www.spartansofpromise.org/) by the UNCG Alumni Association.
Our faculty participate in many community collaborations, such as the [LEAP Summit](https://www.leapsummit.org/).