The College of Health and Human Sciences will serve as a global leader in optimizing the health, well-being, and positive development of people and communities.

Colorado State University’s College of Health and Human Sciences has focused on improving lives for more than 120 years, staying true to our roots in the disciplines of Home Economics and Professional Studies. Today, our academic programs are training the next generation of caring leaders prepared to generate creative solutions to some of the most pressing problems facing society. Passionate researchers are tackling complex challenges: combating obesity, promoting positive aging, optimizing sustainable design and construction, and enhancing physical, mental, and behavioral health and well-being. The College is committed to fostering connections to the community and providing close-knit learning communities, applied and theoretical research environments, and real-world outreach and hands-on opportunities for students.

Academic Units
- Construction Management
- Design and Merchandising
- Food Science and Human Nutrition
- Health and Exercise Science
- Human Development and Family Studies
- Occupational Therapy
- School of Education
- School of Social Work
MISSION

With a commitment to the principles of equity and inclusive excellence, the College of Health and Human Sciences provides transformative academic, research, and outreach programs that promote the health and well-being of people, their environments, and communities in which they live.

OUR VALUES

We are committed to principles of equity and inclusive excellence in all that we do. These values guide our work in the College:

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
INTEGRITY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE
CREATIVITY AND DISCOVERY
TEAMWORK AND COLLABORATION
ACCOUNTABILITY
STUDENT-CENTRICITY
INNOVATION
ENTREPRENEURSHIP
EXCELLENCE
RESPECT
DIVERSITY
ETHICS
Through community-based outreach and engagement, promote learning, growth, development, and participation across the lifespan in all contexts of people’s lives.

Promote diversity, equity, social justice, and inclusive excellence by identifying, preventing, and intervening to address disparities in health and well-being and educational and social opportunity.

Improve individual and collective strengths in operations, management, and administrative communications to improve growth potential.

Conduct translational research that identifies sustainable approaches to optimizing physical, mental, and behavioral health and the overall growth and development of individuals, families, communities, social organizations, and the built environment.

Educate students with excellent communication skills who can solve real-world problems, intervene effectively, and enact change in their workplaces and communities while also being engaged citizens who operate with an innovative and entrepreneurial spirit.

THE COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SCIENCES WILL:
Strategic Objectives

1.1 Implement a cutting-edge, world-class curriculum that maximizes student success.
1.2 Maintain adequate advising support for all students, including academic success coordinators, to promote student success.
1.3 Optimize the role of non-tenure-track faculty to enhance focus on teaching excellence and decrease tenure-track faculty teaching loads.
1.4 Increase number of Graduate Teaching Assistants to strengthen graduate programs and help deliver innovative curriculum to undergraduate students.

2.1 Conduct translational research that identifies sustainable approaches to optimizing physical, mental, and behavioral health and the overall growth and development of individuals, families, communities, social organizations, and the built environment.
2.2 Expand research footprint in key interdisciplinary areas such as aging, obesity, prevention science, and diversity and equity issues.
2.3 Conduct innovative research and creative scholarship that will transform research teaching on campus, improve research activities and interventions, and inform social policy and industry standards.
2.4 Develop funding for a competitive pool of college-supported Graduate Research Assistants and research fellowships.

3.1 Effectively translate findings from research and creative scholarship into programs that impact people and communities of high need due to socioeconomic or other factors.
3.2 Support lifelong learning and distance learning opportunities.
The College of Health and Human Sciences emphasizes a caring and supportive community where everyone’s contributions are valued and all voices are heard. The College has the goal of increasing numbers of diverse faculty, staff, and students and creating a welcoming and inclusive climate. Offering a multi-cultural curriculum with training in cultural competence will result in alums who are qualified to succeed in our diverse world. The College will support expanded research opportunities in areas of equity and social justice to further our intention of improving lives for all people, including the underrepresented and underserved.

Strategic Objectives

4.1 Use and expand efforts and resources to strategically recruit high-achieving, diverse students, faculty, and staff.
4.2 Infuse curriculum with diversity content.
4.3 Increase research that addresses issues of inequalities in health, education, and other issues related to social justice.
4.4 Promote a welcoming and supportive environment for all faculty, staff, and students.
4.5 Provide ongoing professional development and training on diversity and inclusion.

5.1 Enhance and increase quality and quantity of facility space to meet the needs of the units.
5.2 Prioritize creation and maintenance of healthy work spaces.
5.3 Prioritize appropriate staffing levels to meet college and unit day-to-day administrative functions.
5.4 Increase and enhance communications with our key audiences and constituents.
5.5 Integrate development, communications, and college and unit activities.
5.6 Acquire and maintain appropriate technology to support the needs of faculty, staff, and students.

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The College of Health and Human Sciences strives to operate in an efficient manner as a good steward of resources, while providing for updated, revitalized, and healthy work and learning spaces. Growth in facilities, technology infrastructure, and staffing will be appropriate to the College’s teaching, research, and outreach needs.

Development and communications teams for the College will focus on increasing participation and engagement of our key audiences to help promote successes, foster pride, build partnerships, and garner support for strategic priorities.

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