

College of Applied Human Sciences

The College of Applied Human Sciences provides a holistic education that is designed to enrich the whole person – physically, emotionally, and intellectually. Graduates are prepared to positively affect the quality of life in the communities in which they live and serve. The College of Applied Human Sciences has an enrollment of over 2,000 students. It is comprised of three schools: the School of Counseling and Well-being, the School of Education, and the School of Sport Sciences, with a selection of undergraduate and graduate degrees offered within each school.

The School of Counseling and Well-being offers diverse and customizable coursework and expansive partnerships that provide hands-on experience with health-related organizations. The School of Education prepares future educators through engaging instruction, research endeavors and real-world experiences. The School of Sport Sciences has a selection of programs devoted to human performance and the sports industry. Each school is committed to academic excellence, a supportive environment focused on student success and pioneering research. The Schools combine to create academic programs that are highly relevant in today's environment that emphasizes personal quality of life.

Degrees Offered

- Master of Arts
 - Leadership Studies in Education
 - Literacy Education
 - Special Education
- Master of Science
 - Counseling
 - Executive Sport Management
 - Physical Education Teacher Education
 - Sport Coaching
 - Sport, Exercise and Performance Psychology
 - Sport Management
- Doctor of Philosophy
 - Educational Theory and Practice
 - Coaching and Teaching Studies
 - Sport, Exercise and Performance Psychology

Facilities

The facilities of the College of Applied Human Services include Allen Hall and the Applied Human Sciences Building, both on the Evansdale campus, and the WVU Child Development Laboratory/Nursery School. Allen Hall and the Applied Human Sciences Building have several technology-based classrooms, conference rooms, an active learning center, a teacher behavior laboratory, a sport psychology consulting laboratory, a fitness room, a computer lab, research space, the Office of Student Success, and faculty and staff offices. It also houses the Collaborative Assistive Technology Education Laboratory, the Teaching and Learning Technologies Center, and five Centers - WVU Center for the Future of Land-Grant Education, Center for Applied Coaching and Sport Sciences, Center for Active West Virginia, the Russell "Bud" Bolton Center for Sport Ethics, and the Global Sport and Performance Center. Courses are also taught at the indoor track and sports area in the Shell Building and WVU Recreation Center, outdoor areas including tennis courts, grass and turf fields, and the outdoor track.

Students may obtain additional information about a particular graduate program by writing to the coordinator of that program or by contacting the School Director.

Note: The School of Counseling and Well-being and School of Education will be merging into one unified school beginning academic year 2025-2026 and will be reflected in the 2026-2027 catalog. For more information, please visit the Academics page of the WVU College of Applied Human Sciences website (<https://appliedhumansciences.wvu.edu/academics/>).

ADMINISTRATION

DEAN

- Nathan Sorber - Ph.D. (Pennsylvania State University)
Interim Dean

ASSOCIATE DEANS

- Jessica Troilo - Ph.D. (University of Missouri)
Research and Faculty Affairs

- Valerie Wayda - Ed.D. (West Virginia University)
Student Success and Academic Affairs

SCHOOL DIRECTORS

- Matthew P. Campbell - Ph.D. (Oregon State University)
Interim Director, School of Education and School of Counseling & Well-being
- Dana Voelker - Ph.D. (Michigan State University)
Director, School of Sport Sciences

Accreditation

The following programs have a specialized accreditation through the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs.

- Counseling
 - Clinical Mental Health Counseling
 - School Counseling

Graduates of approved preparation programs are eligible for recommendations for certification/licensure issued by appropriate state agencies. Since certification requirements are changed periodically, the fulfillment of certification requirements as presented in this catalog cannot guarantee compliance with the most recent requirements. Students are, therefore, encouraged to seek the counsel of members of the faculty, their advisors, and the college Certification Officer on matters pertaining to degree and certification requirements.

Certificate Programs

- Advanced Sport Management Research (<http://catalog.wvu.edu/graduate/graduatecertificates/advancedsportmanagementresearch/>)
- Applied Sport Science in Coaching (<http://catalog.wvu.edu/graduate/graduatecertificates/appliedsportscienceincoaching/>)
- Athlete Empowerment through Positive Coaching (<http://catalog.wvu.edu/graduate/graduatecertificates/athleteempowermentpositivecoaching/>)
- Athlete Identification and Development (<http://catalog.wvu.edu/graduate/graduatecertificates/athletetalentidentificationdevelopment/>)
- Combined School and District Leadership (http://catalog.wvu.edu/graduate/graduatecertificates/combined_leadership/)
- General Supervisor of Instruction (http://catalog.wvu.edu/graduate/graduatecertificates/general_supervision_instruction/)
- Online Teaching (http://catalog.wvu.edu/graduate/graduatecertificates/online_teaching/)
- The Principalship (<http://catalog.wvu.edu/graduate/graduatecertificates/principalship/>)
- Program Evaluation (<http://catalog.wvu.edu/graduate/graduatecertificates/programevaluation/>)
- School Physical Activity Leadership (<http://catalog.wvu.edu/graduate/graduatecertificates/schoolphysicalactivityleadership/>)
- Sport Industry Leadership and Change Management (<http://catalog.wvu.edu/graduate/graduatecertificates/sportindustryleadershipchangemanagement/>)