History of the School of Allied Health Professions

Established April 2, 1970 by the Board of Supervisors

Operational July 1, 1970.

Shared programs in New Orleans and Shreveport until March 25, 2004.

Deans

- 1970-1975 John L. Peterson, PhD  
  Audiology/Speech Pathology
- 1975-1994 Stanley H. Abadie, PhD  
  Medical Technology
- 1995-1996 (interim) John D. Dolan, RhD  
  Rehabilitation Counseling
- 1996-2003 John R. Snyder, PhD  
  Clinical Laboratory Sciences
- 2003-2022 Jimmy M. Cairo, PhD  
  Cardiopulmonary Science/Physiology
- 2022-present (interim) Erin Dugan, PhD  
  Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling

Programs


Bachelor of Science

1977 Rocco J. Tretola, BS (acting)
1978-1989 Raymond S. Edge, EdD
1990-2004 Jimmy M. Cairo, PhD
2004-2008 Andrew A. Pellett, PhD (interim)
2008-2022 Andrew A. Pellett, PhD

Clinical Laboratory Sciences (1998-present) / Medical Technology (1972-1996)

Bachelor of Science

1972-1985 Gray Tillman Malcolm, MS
1986-1991 Patricia M. Williams-Lumsden, PhD
1990 Patricia M Williams, PhD
1992-1994 A. Carter Lewis, PhD (interim)
1995-2008 Louann Lawrence, DrPH
2009-2017 Larry Broussard, PhD
2017-2019 Mitzi Glover, PhD
2020-2022 Joanie Brocato, Ph.D., MT (ASCP)
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Bachelor of Science
1978-1988  Susan M. Daniels, PhD
1989-1990  John Dolan, RhD (interim)
2004-2005  Stephen J. Leierer, PhD (interim)
2006-2013  John Dolan, RhD (interim)

Master program only (2009)
2014-2021  Erin Dugan, PhD (interim)
2021 – current  Krystal Vaughn, PhD (acting)

Communication Disorders (1983-present) / Audiology & Speech Pathology (1972-1982)

Master of Communication Disorders
1972  John L. Peterson, PhD (acting)
1973  Vincent Byers, PhD
1974-1990  Donald L. Rampp, Phd
1992-1994  Robert G. Turner, PhD
1998  Thomas Powell, PhD (acting)
2000  John Dolan, RhD (acting)
2002-2005  Jerry L. Cranford, Phd

Doctor of Audiology (2005)
2006-2013  Jimmy M. Cairo, PhD (acting)
2014-2016  Sylvia Davis, PhD (interim)
2017-2018  Annette Hurley, PhD (interim)
2019-2022  Annette Hurley, PhD

Interdisciplinary Human Studies (1996-present) / Allied Health Auxiliaries (1979-1995)

No degree
1979-1986  Stanley H Abadie, PhD (acting)
1987-1994  A. Carter Lewis, PhD
1996  Robert E. Crow, PhD
1998-2004  Interdisciplinary courses are listed separately but not as a department
2005-2021  Jimmy M. Cairo, PhD (acting)
2022 – current  Erin Dugan, PhD (acting)
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Occupational Therapy (1973)

**Bachelor of Science**

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<td>Joan M. Hodges, MEd</td>
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<td>Sandra Cunningham, MA</td>
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**Master of Occupational Therapy (2002)**

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<td>Rennie Jacobs, PhD, LOTR, CHT (interim)</td>
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Physical Therapy (1972)

**Bachelor of Science**

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<td>1972-1984</td>
<td>John F. Burke, PhD</td>
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<td>George H. Hampton, MPH (acting)</td>
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<td>Joseph M. McCulloch, Jr PhD (in Shreveport)</td>
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**Master of Physical Therapy (2002)**

**first master’s class graduated August 1998, last BS class graduated August 1997**

**Doctor of Physical Therapy (2005)**

**DPT approved in 2005, first class started May 2006**

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<td>Jane M. Eason, PhD, PT (interim)</td>
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Physician Assistant (2014 New Orleans)

**Master of PA (2014)**

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<td>Debra Munsell, DHSc, PA-C, DFAAPA (under IHS) Program Director</td>
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<td>Rachel Chappell, MHS, PA-C (interim) Interim Program Director</td>
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Ceased Programs

Dental Hygiene (1972, moved to dentistry by 1973)

Associate and Bachelor of Science

Master in Health Science (1980-2009)

1981-1983 Offered in MT, OT, PT
1984-1990 Offered in CPS, MT, OT, PT
1992-1996 Offered in CPS, MT, OT, PT, RC
1998-2007 Offered in CPS, CLS, OT, PT, MHS-RC is listed separately
2008-2009 Offered in CPS, CLS, MHS-RC is listed separately

*ceased due to

Ophthalmic Medical Technology (1992-2007)

Certificate program with Department of Ophthalmology in SoM
1992-1994 A. Carter Lewis, PhD
Bachelor of OMT (1994)
1996 Robert E. Crow, PhdD
1998-2004 Herbert E. Kaufman, MD
2005-2007 listed as part of CLS

Other


1984 A. Carter Lewis, PhD (acting)
1985-1996 Robert E. Crow, PhD
1998-2000 not listed in the catalog
2002-2004 Robert E. Crow, PhD
2005-2014 Listed as part of IDH
2014-2021 Philip Wilson, PhD


2002-2004 Patricia Snyder, PhD
2005-2021 Listed as part of IDH
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Program in Electroencephalographic Technology (1977-1984)

*Training program with Charity Hospital*

Later, in cooperation with the Department of Neurology in the SoM

1977-1979  Gregory S. Ferris, MD
1980-1983  Veralynne W. Williams, ABA
1984  David S. Lindberg, EdD (acting)

Developmental Disability Center for Children (1977-1983)

1977-1983  Judith A. Harris, MD as director

Assessment Center (1981-1982)

1981-1982  Bobby S. Roberts, MEd


1981-1983  Patsy Poché, MEd, New Orleans
1982-1998  Clyde K. Mitchell, MEd, Shreveport

Therapeutic Nursery School (1981-1983)

1981-1983  Shifra B. Miller, MA