

## Harding University College of Allied Health Programs

- [Master of Speech-Language Pathology](#)

The Speech-Language Pathology program is part of the College of Allied Health and offers a Master of Science (M.S.) in Speech-Language Pathology degree. The curriculum is an intensive five-semester program with a focus on the entire scope of practice as delineated by ASHA. It consists of both didactic and clinical components.

- [Physician Assistant Studies](#)

A Physician Assistant (PA) is a skilled health care professional who is academically and clinically prepared to provide medical care under the supervision of a licensed doctor of medicine or osteopathy. PA practice centers on patient care and advocacy. Patient education and counseling are important aspects of the daily PA activities, but the PA may also be involved in research or administrative duties. Physician Assistants are highly respected members of the health care team. Harding University's program equips PAs with the depth of knowledge necessary to be competent health care providers.

- [Physical Therapy](#)

Physical therapists are health care professionals who diagnose and treat individuals of all ages who have limited use of their bodies, whether due to injury, disease or disability. Physical therapists practice in hospitals, rehabilitation centers, private practice, home health settings, sports medicine facilities and various other settings. Options in physical therapy allow a physical therapist to specialize their care to certain populations, such as children, athletes or the elderly. A physical therapist builds flexibility, strength and spirit, contributing to people's quality of life. It is a profession that offers a lifetime of satisfaction while directly helping people. Physical therapy is an intellectually, physically and psychologically demanding profession, but it is an extremely rewarding career in utilizing professional skills for those in need.