



COLLEGE OF HEALTH, EDUCATION,
AND HUMAN SCIENCES

PROGRAMS





Dental Hygiene

The dental hygiene program is a four-semester program designed to educate and prepare students for careers in dental hygiene. Applications are due in May each year with applicants starting the program the following fall semester. The program consists of 61 hours of prerequisite coursework followed by two years of dental hygiene curriculum. Students combine didactic classes with hands-on campus labs and patient treatment in an onsite clinic. After completion, graduates receive a Bachelor of Science in dental hygiene and are eligible to take national and state examinations for licensure to practice as registered dental hygienists. Graduates enter the workplace prepared to meet the oral healthcare needs and challenges of the future.

A degree completion program is also available to allow students with an associate degree in dental hygiene to advance their education toward a bachelor's degree.



Diagnostic Medical Sonography

The diagnostic medical sonography program combines didactic classes with a campus lab and clinical practice for optimum learning experiences. Students will earn a Bachelor of Science in imaging sciences (BSIS) while acquiring initial ultrasound skills on state-of-the-art equipment in our lab and classroom facilities. These ultrasound machines have all the technology that the students will encounter in the clinical environment including abdomen, OB/GYN (including 4D capabilities), and vascular as well as equipment for transcranial Doppler. Upon graduation, students are registered and well qualified candidates for their new career.

Upon completion of the program, students should be able to:

- employ basic patient care, professional judgment, and effective communication.
- demonstrate knowledge and understanding of human gross and sectional anatomy and pathophysiology.
- perform sonographic examinations using technical knowledge and clinical skills.
- enter the workplace as competent entry-level general sonographers and vascular sonographers in the cognitive (knowledge), psychomotor (skills), and affective (behavior) learning domains.



EMT Emergency Medical Technician (CP)

The UAFS emergency medical technology (EMT) program is a one-semester course approved by the Arkansas Department of Health - Section of EMS and offers a certificate of proficiency that combines didactic and clinical instruction at local health care facilities in the study of emergency medical service systems and the basic principles of emergency care. Upon completion of the course, graduates are eligible to apply for the National Registry of Medical Technicians (NREMT) EMT-Basic written and practical exams. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics website, the median annual wage of EMTs as of 2021 was \$36,930 per year and \$17.76 per hour. Employment of emergency medical technicians is expected to increase 11 percent through 2030, faster than the average for many other occupations.



Master of Science in Healthcare Administration

An education in healthcare administration provides you with many different and exciting opportunities. Our mission is to provide working professionals, practitioners, and those wanting to advance their careers in healthcare management with the knowledge and skills necessary to be competent, ethical, and innovative leaders who can successfully manage and lead their healthcare organizations and communities. We invite you to join us in a quality educational experience and professional development that will enhance your abilities in healthcare management.

Whether you're working toward a promotion, exploring a new career, or looking to make a difference in healthcare, a graduate degree from UAFS can help you achieve your goals. At UAFS, students who live in bordering states pay in-state tuition, making the graduate program one of the most affordable. Alumni may also be eligible for a Lion Loyalty Scholarship. Apply online today!



Nursing

The Carolyn McKelvey Moore School of Nursing at UAFS offers qualified students multiple pathways to earn their Bachelor of Science in Nursing (B.S.N.). Fully accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education and having full approval from the Arkansas State Board of Nursing, UAFS's B.S.N. program prepares highly competent nursing practitioners for professional careers in a dynamic healthcare environment and provides the foundation for graduate education in nursing.

Professional nursing education integrates liberal and nursing education to foster critical thinking skills required for professional nursing and prepares nurses to practice effectively in the diverse settings of healthcare environments. Nursing education at the baccalaureate level is an active learning process. Graduates are prepared to provide nursing care to individuals, families, populations, and communities within a variety of healthcare settings and to use evidenced-based practice to guide nursing interventions which promote, maintain, and restore health.



Radiography

Radiographers, also known as radiologic technologists, are medical personnel who perform diagnostic imaging examinations using ionizing radiation. They play a vital role in properly performing the imaging examination by accurately positioning patients and ensuring quality diagnostic images are produced that aid the physicians in diagnosis and treatment. The radiographer is trained in the art and science of using radiation to provide images of tissues, bones, and blood vessels of the human body. They are educated in anatomy, patient positioning, examination techniques, equipment protocols, radiation safety, and patient care. Radiography is the most technologically advanced field in health care and is in high demand across the country. Radiographers may practice general radiography or specialize in computed tomography, mammography, magnetic resonance imaging, bone densitometry, cardiac or vascular interventional radiography, sonography, nuclear medicine, or radiation therapy.

Upon completing the Associate of Applied Science, graduates take the national certification examination in radiography. The program has a five-year credentialing exam rate of 99 percent and a 100 percent job placement rate.



Surgical Tech

The curriculum in surgical technology prepares students to function in the operating room by combining classroom and campus laboratory instruction with actual surgical site experience. The UAFS Associate of Applied Science in surgical technology program is accredited by the Accreditation Review Council on Education in Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics website, the median annual wage of surgical technologists as of 2021 was \$48,530 per year and \$23.33 per hour. Employment of surgical technologists is expected to increase 9 percent through 2030, about as fast as the average for all occupations. Placement rate for UAFS surgical technology graduates is 100 percent.



Education

The School of Education at UAFS offers degrees in early childhood education, elementary education, and middle childhood education. Candidates enrolled in the early childhood program will learn about working with children ages birth to 5. The Associate of Applied Science in early childhood education articulates into a non-licensure bachelor's degree. The K-6 Bachelor of Science in elementary education leads to a teaching license, allowing graduates to teach in the elementary school setting. Graduates of the Bachelor of Science in middle childhood education are eligible for a teaching license to teach in two self-selected content areas (math, science, social studies, or English) in grades 4-8. The School of Education also offer a non-licensure education as well as requirements for teacher licensure programs housed in the College of Arts and Sciences that lead to a 7-12 grade teaching license in mathematics, biology, history, or English or a K-12 degree in vocal or instrumental music.



Psychology

In an ever-changing world, the ability to understand human behavior is advantageous in careers involving human interaction. Our nationally competitive undergraduate psychology curriculum empowers you with knowledge of historical, theoretical, and applied foundations of psychology. We promote ethics and analytical thinking; offer internship and research opportunities that may improve entrance in graduate and/or professional programs; introduce you to the scientific investigation of behavior; and mentor you as you conduct a research project to present at our annual Psychology Symposium. Psychology faculty are committed to diversity, delivering a rigorous program, student engagement, and conducting research.

Psychology graduates pursue careers in counseling, marriage and family therapy, play therapy, forensic psychology, and more. They work in agencies like the Arkansas Department of Human Services, Americans with Disabilities, Harbor Recovery Counseling, Valley Behavioral, and public and private schools as well as privately owned businesses. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, median annual wage for undergraduate degree holders working in psychology is \$48,000. Visit the [American Psychological Association \(APA\) website](#) to learn more.



Social Work

The Bachelor of Social Work (B.S.W.) program is accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE), which is necessary for licensure eligibility. The B.S.W. is a professional degree with the core values of service, social justice, competence, dignity and worth of a person, integrity, and importance of human relationships. The B.S.W. graduate is trained to work in a variety of fields and at a wide range of agencies including medical hospitals, psychiatric hospitals, schools, child welfare services, juvenile justice departments, drug court, domestic violence agencies, hospice care providers, police stations, geriatric centers, community centers, veteran clinics, public offices, and community mental health centers. Coursework includes theory, public policy, practice with individuals, groups, families, agencies, and communities, research, racial justice, seminar, working with vulnerable populations, mental health, child welfare, and gerontology. Students also complete internships of approximately 14 hours per week in both semesters of their senior year.