

# DOISY COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

The Doisy College of Health Sciences incorporates Saint Louis University's long-standing tradition of excellence in health care education with modern innovations in interprofessional education, research and service.

Across all of our degree programs, assisting others is central to everything we do at SLU's Doisy College. DCHS offers undergraduate, graduate, professional and certificate programs across numerous departments. Many of the programs are nationally ranked and all of them have a reputation for excellence in professional education.

## Hands-On Work and Collaboration

Doisy College students get hands-on experience with leading-edge research, partner with diverse clinical sites across the country, and regularly exceed national averages on certification-exam pass rates. Explore our offerings to see how our service to health care impacts the world. We are compassionate health care professionals providing the highest-quality care to the communities around us.

Understanding the unique contributions of various health care professionals is an essential component for meeting the needs of an increasingly complex patient population. Doisy College students learn how to work in collaborative health care teams to provide outstanding health care through opportunities to participate in the Interprofessional Education program. The IPE program offers both minor and concentration options. Information on both programs may be found on the IPE page. (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/academic-affairs/interprofessional-education/#text>)

## Accreditation

Doisy College of Health Sciences programs are accredited by the respective accreditation agencies as follows:

### Athletic Training

SLU's Master of Athletic Training Program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE) as a graduate professional program. The Master of Athletic Training program is one of more than 250 CAATE accredited programs nationally.

#### Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education

2001 K Street NW, 3rd Floor North  
Washington, D.C. 20006  
P. 512-733-9700  
844-GO-CAATE (844-462-2283)  
[caate.net](https://caate.net) (<https://caate.net/>)

For more information about the SLU athletic training program's outcomes, graduation rates, retention rates, board of certification exam pass rates and job placement rates, please see the program outcomes data reported by CAATE (<https://caate.net/program-info/71/>).

### Communication Sciences and Disorders

The Master of Science (M.S.) education program in speech-language pathology (residential program) at Saint Louis University is accredited by the Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech Language Pathology (CAA) of the American Speech-Language-Hearing

Association, 2200 Research Boulevard #310, Rockville, Maryland 20850, 800-498-2071 or 301-296-5700.

For more information about the SLU speech, language and hearing sciences program's student outcomes data (completion rates, Praxis exam pass rates and employment rates), CAA complaint policy and accreditation information, please see the student outcome data and accreditation information (<https://www.slu.edu/doisy/degrees/-pdf/slhs-accreditation.pdf>) below.

View Student Outcome Data and Accreditation Information (PDF) (<https://www.slu.edu/doisy/degrees/-pdf/slhs-accreditation.pdf>)

### Magnetic Resonance Imaging

The magnetic resonance imaging program at Saint Louis University is fully accredited by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT), having been awarded an eight-year accreditation. The program's next scheduled accreditation review is in the third quarter of 2027. General program accreditation information and the current accreditation award letter can be found on the JRCERT website (<https://www.jrcert.org/programs/saint-louis-university/>).

Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiological Technology (JRCERT) (<https://www.jrcert.org/>)  
20 N. Wacker Drive, Suite 2850  
Chicago, Illinois 60606-3182  
312-704-5300  
[jrcert.org](https://www.jrcert.org/) (<https://www.jrcert.org/>)

For more information about the SLU magnetic resonance imaging program's goals, program outcomes, certification examination pass rates, job placement rates, technical standards and program-specific costs, please review the additional accreditation information document.

View Additional Accreditation Information (PDF) (<https://www.slu.edu/doisy/degrees/-pdf/mri-accreditation.pdf>)

### Medical Laboratory Science

The Medical Laboratory Science program at Saint Louis University has been continuously accredited since the graduation of its first class in 1933.

We are one of the oldest programs in the nation, founded in 1929, and boast more than 90 years of educational service to the medical laboratory science profession.

The program is accredited by:

National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Science  
5600 N. River Road, Suite 720  
Rosemont, IL 60018

phone: 773-714-8880  
fax: 773-714-8886  
[www.naacls.org](https://www.naacls.org) (<https://www.naacls.org>)

### Nuclear Medicine Technology

The Joint Review Committee on Educational Programs in Nuclear Medicine Technology  
820 W. Danforth Rd. #B1  
Edmond, OK 73003  
405-285-0546

[jrcnmt.org](http://jrcnmt.org) (<http://jrcnmt.org>)

Additional Accreditation Information (PDF) (<https://www.slu.edu/doisy/degrees/-pdf/nmt-accreditation.pdf>)

JRCNMT Graduate Outcomes Report (<https://www.jrcnmt.org/students/graduate-achievement-data/>)

## Nutrition and Dietetics

Saint Louis University's MS-DI program is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND), the accrediting agency for the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics.

Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND)  
120 South Riverside Plaza, Suite 2190  
Chicago, Illinois 60606-6995  
312-899-0040 ext. 5400  
[eatrightpro.org/acend](https://www.eatrightpro.org/acend/) (<https://www.eatrightpro.org/acend/>)

## Occupational Therapy

This program is accredited by the Accreditation Council of Occupational Therapy Education, (ACOTE). ACOTE is an Associated Advisory Council of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA) Board of Directors and is recognized by the U.S. Department of Education and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation as a programmatic accreditor for the profession of occupational therapy.

American Occupational Therapy Association, (AOTA)  
7501 Wisconsin Avenue  
Suite 510E  
Bethesda, MD 20814  
301-652-6611  
[acoteonline.org](https://acoteonline.org/) (<https://acoteonline.org/>)

For more information about SLU's occupational therapy program outcomes, matriculation rate, graduation rate, certification exam pass rate and employment rate, please see the program outcomes document (<https://www.slu.edu/doisy/degrees/-pdf/ot-accreditation.pdf>).

View Program Outcomes (PDF) (<https://www.slu.edu/doisy/degrees/-pdf/ot-accreditation.pdf>)

## Physical Therapy

The Program in Physical Therapy at Saint Louis University is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy (CAPTE).

Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy (CAPTE)  
3030 Potomac Ave., Suite 100  
Alexandria, VA 22305-3085  
703-706-3245  
[accreditation@apta.org](mailto:accreditation@apta.org)  
[capteonline.org](https://www.capteonline.org/home.aspx) (<https://www.capteonline.org/home.aspx>)

If you need to contact SLU's program directly, please call 314-977-8505 or email [sluptat@health.slu.edu](mailto:sluptat@health.slu.edu).

For more information about the SLU physical therapy program's outcomes, matriculation rate, graduate rate, employment rate, NPTE pass rates and technical standards, please see the additional accreditation information (PDF). (<https://www.slu.edu/doisy/degrees/-pdf/pt-accreditation.pdf>)

View Additional Accreditation Information (PDF) (<https://www.slu.edu/doisy/degrees/-pdf/pt-accreditation.pdf>)

Complaint Policy and Instructions (PDF) (<https://www.slu.edu/doisy/degrees/-pdf/complaint-policy-pt.pdf>)

Technical Standards (PDF) (<https://www.slu.edu/doisy/degrees/-pdf/pt-technical-standards.pdf>)

## Physician Assistant

The Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant, Inc. (ARC-PA) has granted Accreditation-Continued status to the Saint Louis University Physician Assistant Program sponsored by Saint Louis University. Accreditation-Continued is an accreditation status granted when a currently accredited program is in compliance with the ARC-PA Standards.

Accreditation remains in effect until the program closes or withdraws from the accreditation process or until accreditation is withdrawn for failure to comply with the Standards. The approximate date for the next validation review of the program by the ARC-PA will be June 2033. The review date is contingent upon continued compliance with the Accreditation Standards and ARC-PA policy.

The program's accreditation history can be viewed on the ARC-PA website at [arc-pa.org/accreditation-history-saint-louis-university/](http://arc-pa.org/accreditation-history-saint-louis-university/) (<https://www.arc-pa.org/accreditation-history-saint-louis-university/>).

Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant (ARC-PA)  
3325 Paddocks Parkway, Suite 345  
Suwanee, GA 30024  
770-476-1224  
[arc-pa.org](https://www.arc-pa.org) (<https://www.arc-pa.org>)

## Radiation Therapy

The Radiation Therapy Program at Saint Louis University is fully accredited by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT), having been awarded an eight-year accreditation. It is the only JRCERT-accredited radiation therapy program in the state of Missouri. Eight-year reaccreditation was granted July 2017; the program is currently awaiting status of the February 2026 reaccreditation site visit. General program accreditation information and the current accreditation award letter can be found on the JRCERT website (<https://www.jrcert.org/programs/saint-louis-university-2/>).

Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiological Technology (JRCERT) (<https://www.jrcert.org/>)  
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Chicago, Illinois 60606-3182  
312-704-5300  
[jrcert.org](https://www.jrcert.org) (<https://www.jrcert.org>)

For more information about the Saint Louis University radiation therapy program's goals, program outcomes, credentialing exam pass rates, job placement rates, technical standards, clinical site and program-specific requirements and fees, please see the additional program information and fees.

View Additional Program Information and Fees (PDF) (<https://www.slu.edu/doisy/degrees/-pdf/rt-accreditation.pdf>)

## Undergraduate

- Clinical Documentation and Health Information Foundations, Microcredential (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/clinical-health-sciences/clinical-document-health-info-found-micro/>)
- Clinical Foundations for Health Professionals, Microcredential (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/clinical-health-sciences/clinical-foundations-health-pro-micro/>)
- Clinical Research and Health Data Analytics, Microcredential (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/clinical-health-sciences/clinical-research-health-data-analytics-micro/>)
- Culinary Arts, Minor (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/nutrition-dietetics/culinary-arts-minor/>)
- Drake University Bachelor's to Master of Athletic Training (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/physical-therapy-athletic-training/drake-univ-slu-mat/>)
- Exercise Science, B.S. (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/exercise-science-bs/>)
- Health Data Literacy, Microcredential (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/clinical-health-sciences/health-data-literacy-micro/>)
- Health Information Management, Minor (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/clinical-health-sciences/health-information-management-minor/>)
- Health Sciences, B.S. (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/clinical-health-sciences/health-sciences-bs/>)
- Health Sciences, B.S. to Health Administration, M.H.A. Accelerated Program (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/clinical-health-sciences/hsci-mha-accelerated/>)
- Health Sciences, B.S. to Health Data Science, M.S. Accelerated Program (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/clinical-health-sciences/hsci-mshds-accelerated/>)
- Health Sciences, B.S. to Law, J.D. Accelerated Program (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/clinical-health-sciences/health-sciences-jd-accelerated/>)
- Healthcare Compliance & Quality, Microcredential (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/clinical-health-sciences/healthcare-compliance-quality-micro/>)
- Healthcare Quality and Operational Performance, Microcredential (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/clinical-health-sciences/healthcare-quality-op-perf-micro/>)
- Magnetic Resonance Imaging, B.S. (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/clinical-health-sciences/magnetic-resonance-imaging-bs/>)
- Medical Laboratory Science, B.S. (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/clinical-health-sciences/medical-laboratory-science-bs/>)
- Medical Laboratory Science, Certificate (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/clinical-health-sciences/medical-laboratory-science-certificate/>)
- Medical Sciences, B.S. (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/clinical-health-sciences/medical-sciences-bs/>)
- Nuclear Medicine Technology, B.S. (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/clinical-health-sciences/nuclear-medicine-technology-bs/>)
- Nutrition and Dietetics, B.S. (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/nutrition-dietetics/nutrition-dietetics-bs/>)
- Nutrition, Health and Wellness, Minor (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/nutrition-dietetics/nutrition-health-wellness-minor/>)
- Occupational Science, B.S. to Master of Occupational Therapy Accelerated Program (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/occupational-science-therapy/occupational-therapy-program/>)
- Radiation Therapy, B.S. (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/clinical-health-sciences/radiation-therapy-bs/>)
- Revenue Cycle & Healthcare Financial Operations, Microcredential (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/clinical-health-sciences/revenue-cycle-healthcare-financial-op-micro/>)
- Speech, Language and Hearing Sciences, B.S. (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/speech-language-hearing-sciences/speech-language-hearing-sciences-bs/>)
- Speech, Language and Hearing Sciences, B.S. to M.S. Accelerated Program (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/speech-language-hearing-sciences/slhs-accelerated/>)
- Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences, Minor (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/speech-language-hearing-sciences/speech-language-hearing-sciences-minor/>)

## Freshman Direct-entry Programs

- Exercise Science, B.S. - Athletic Training Concentration (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/physical-therapy-athletic-training/athletic-training-program/>)
- Exercise Science, B.S. - Physical Therapy Concentration (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/physical-therapy-athletic-training/physical-therapy-program/>)
- Occupational Science, B.S. - Occupational Therapy (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/occupational-science-therapy/occupational-therapy-program/>)

## Graduate

- Athletic Training, Master of (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/physical-therapy-athletic-training/athletic-training-program/>)
- Integrated and Applied Sciences, Ph.D. (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/integrated-applied-sciences-phd/>)
- Joanna May Service Scholars, Microcredential (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/clinical-health-sciences/joanna-may-service-scholars-micro/>)
- Medical Science, Doctor of (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/clinical-health-sciences/doctor-medical-science/>)
- Nutrition and Dietetics, M.S. (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/nutrition-dietetics/nutrition-dietetics-ms/>)
- Nutrition and Dietetics, M.S. and Public Health, M.P.H. Dual Degree (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/nutrition-dietetics/nutrition-dietetics-ms-dual-mph/>)
- Occupational Therapy, Master of (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/occupational-science-therapy/master-occupational-therapy/>)
- Physical Therapy, Doctor of (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/physical-therapy-athletic-training/physical-therapy-program/>)

- Physician Assistant, M.M.S. (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/clinical-health-sciences/physician-assistant-mms/>)
- Physician Assistant, M.M.S. and Public Health, M.P.H. Dual Degree (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/clinical-health-sciences/physician-assistant-mms-mph-dual/>)
- Speech, Language and Hearing Sciences, M.S. (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/health-sciences/speech-language-hearing-sciences/speech-language-hearing-sciences-ms/>)

## Faculty Leadership

Bernard Rousseau, Ph.D., M.M.H.C., FASHA (<https://www.slu.edu/doisy/faculty/rousseau-bernard.php>)

*Dean*

Lori Jones, Ph.D., M.P.H., RD, LD (<https://www.slu.edu/doisy/faculty/jones-lori.php>),

*Chief diversity and inclusion officer*

Doisy College Faculty (<https://www.slu.edu/doisy/faculty/>)

## Policies

### General Admission Requirements

Admission requirements and procedures for the programs vary. Prospective students should contact the recruitment specialist for the Doisy College of Health Sciences with specific questions at [dchs@health.slu.edu](mailto:dchs@health.slu.edu) ([dchs@slu.edu](mailto:dchs@slu.edu)) or 314-977-2570.

Saint Louis University's Office of Admission, housed under the Division of Enrollment and Retention Management, begins reviewing freshman applications for admission and scholarship for the following year on a rolling basis beginning September 1. Students may also complete the Common Application. Students who apply using the Common Application will be considered for admission on the same terms and within the same timeframe as those who use the general freshman application.

To receive priority consideration for University merit-based scholarships, admission applications must be submitted by **December 1**. Students who meet this deadline will be automatically considered for a range of Saint Louis University's merit-based scholarships. Applications submitted after December 1 will be given scholarship consideration based on the availability of funds.

To be considered for the Medical Scholars, Physician Assistant Scholars, Pharm.D. Scholars, Nutrition and Dietetics Scholars and/or the Honors programs students are encouraged to visit [slu.edu](http://www.slu.edu) (<http://www.slu.edu/>) and/or contact the specific office(s) directly. Each program has a separate application and application procedure.

### Clinical Internship Experience

Clinical internship experiences in clinical practice settings (i.e., hospitals, clinics, schools, etc.) are a required component of select Doisy College of Health Sciences programs. Regulations require all students in programs with one or more clinical internships to complete a criminal background check and a drug test at least once during the program; either or both of these may be repeated as clinical placement site requirements demand. Positive results from the criminal background check or drug tests may result in ineligibility to graduate from the program. A felony conviction will affect a graduate's eligibility for professional licensure, certification

and professional practice. Additional and program-specific information about the requirements may be obtained directly from the program.

All students who participate in clinical learning experiences are required to complete a criminal background check prior to the first clinical practicum. Additional criminal background checks may be required based on the contractual agreements with the college's clinical affiliate facilities. Further, drug screening is required for clinical practicum work. Prior to submitting an application, prospective applicants are encouraged to consult with the chosen profession's governing or licensing organization for more detailed information.