Florida A&M University School of Allied Health Sciences – Living-Learning Community

The mission of the Florida A&M University (FAMU) School of Allied Health Sciences is to provide an enlightened and enriched academic, intellectual, moral, cultural, ethical, technological, and student-centered environment for the purpose of educating individuals to become competent allied health professionals. As professionals, students will embark upon lifelong learning as they exemplify: complex critical thinking; comprehensive communication skills; interdisciplinary collaboration; and analysis and involvement in research processes; while improving the health status of under-represented and underserved populations.

In support of this mission, the School of Allied Health Sciences Living-Learning Community (LLC) is for first year (freshman) students who have an interest in either one of its five majors: Cardiopulmonary Science (CPS), Health Care Management (HCM), Health Informatics and Information Management (HIIM), Health Science/Pre-Occupational Therapy (HSPOT), or Health Science/Pre-Physical Therapy (HSPPT). The School of Allied Health Sciences Living-Learning Community will provide a unique experience for students pursuing studies in professional health fields; affording them an opportunity to live together in an enriching environment supporting their academic, personal and professional success.

A description of our respective health professional programs follows.

**Cardiopulmonary Science (CPS)**, also known as respiratory therapy, is an allied health profession that provides for the diagnosis, treatment, management, preventive care, and rehabilitation of patients with cardiopulmonary abnormalities such as asthma, chronic bronchitis, emphysema, cystic fibrosis, and coronary heart disease.

**Health Care Management (HCM)** is a profession that prepares professionals to plan, organize, direct, control and coordinate resources in the management of health care organizations. Health care managers are responsible for working with facility administrators to create the best possible working environment for a professional staff which could include physicians, nurses, physical therapists, occupational therapists, respiratory therapists, and other clinical professionals.

**Health Informatics and Information Management (HIIM)** is an allied health professional program that focuses on the integration of information technology and management for all types of health care facilities, organizations, and agencies. The health information manager combines knowledge of health care, health records, information management and administration to provide services, which meet the medical administrative, legal, ethical, regulatory and institutional requirements of the health care delivery system being served.
The Health Science/Pre-Occupational Therapy (HSPOT) and Health Science/Pre-
Physical Therapy (HSPPT) programs produce professional with a general degree that
will allow them to work in a health care setting or to continue on to graduate school
programs in Occupational Therapy or Physical Therapy.

**Location:** FAMU Village

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