

CARDINALS **STAND** OUT

# HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES



SAGINAW VALLEY  
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CRYSTAL M. LANGE  
COLLEGE OF HEALTH  
& HUMAN SERVICES

# CRYSTAL M. LANGE COLLEGE OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES (HHS) **DEAN'S NOTE**



Greetings, future Cardinals,

I am delighted to have you join us as you forge a strong academic foundation and dive into real-world experiences shaping your future career or post-graduate pursuits.

Our College of Health & Human Services is your realm of transformation. Tailored to your passion, whether it's health sciences, social work, kinesiology, occupational therapy or nursing, we've got you covered. SVSU thrives on experiential learning, ensuring you're ready for real-world success.

What sets us apart? Imagine cutting-edge simulation labs, expert faculty dedicated to your growth and a supportive community. Beyond classes, we're a family that thrives on collaboration.

Your journey goes beyond the classroom. Explore our vibrant student organizations – the Student Nurses Association, Cardinals for Public Health, Pre-Physical Therapy Club and more. Connect, build relationships and deepen your engagement.

Our commitment extends further. Research and service are in our DNA, equipping you to make a real impact. We're not just educators; we empower you to transform lives.

As you embark on this exciting journey, remember: you're not alone. We're here to guide, inspire and cheer you on. For any inquiries or assistance, please contact the dean's office at (989) 964-4145 or [hhs@svsu.edu](mailto:hhs@svsu.edu).

Best regards,

Marcia Mastracci Ditmyer, Ph.D., M.B.A., M.S.  
Dean, College of Health & Human Services

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# IN HEALTH CARE CAREER PATHS

## UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

### MAJORS

Exercise Science  
Health Science  
Medical Laboratory Science  
Neuroscience  
Nursing  
BSN  
RN to BSN  
Occupational Therapy (3+2 MSOT)  
Public Health  
Combined BS/MPH degree (4+1)  
Health Promotion Concentration  
Health Administration Concentration  
Rehabilitation Medicine  
Social Work

### MINORS

Athletic Coaching  
Behavioral Health – Substance Use and  
Dependency  
Emergency Management  
Exercise Promotion  
Gerontology  
Healthcare Quality & Safety  
Long Term Care  
Youth Services

### CERTIFICATES

Child Welfare  
Gerontology  
Juvenile Delinquency  
Long Term Care Administrator

### KINESIOLOGY PATHWAYS

Pre-Athletic Training  
Pre-Physical Therapy

### HHS ALUMNI



Haley Smith  
Nursing Alum

Registered Nurse at  
Rosewood Medical Spa



Grace Berens  
Public Health Alum

Health Educator Specialist  
at Ottawa County  
Department of Public  
Health



# Start your path to a career in health care sooner as a direct admit.

SVSU offers freshmen direct or early admission to select professional programs in nursing and occupational therapy. For driven students who have a deep sense of purpose, strong academic credentials and dedication to a specific profession, a direct or early admission program allows new incoming freshman students the opportunity to start immediately in their major. Our programs offer high-quality instruction and hands-on skills-based training to provide you with the resources you need to pursue your passion right from the beginning of your freshman year.

## **DIRECT ADMISSION**

### **NURSING FRESHMAN**

Qualifications to Apply:

- Minimum 3.50 cumulative high school GPA
- Minimum 1200 SAT or 26 ACT test score
- Prospective freshman at SVSU
- Interest in the nursing profession

### **OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY FRESHMAN**

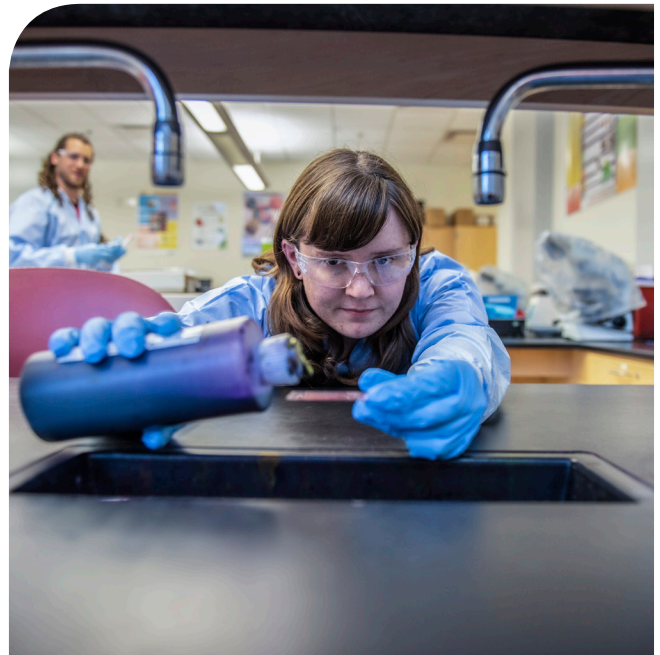
Qualifications to Apply:

- Minimum 3.50 cumulative high school GPA
- Prospective freshman at SVSU
- Interest in the OT profession

[svsu.edu/directadmits](https://svsu.edu/directadmits)

# 100%

*pass rate for occupational therapy students on the licensure exam administered by the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy*



SVSU's medical laboratory science program is accredited, and students can take the National Board of Certification Exam to become a nationally certified medical laboratory scientist.





The Anatomage Table, the world's most advanced real-human medical education platform, has arrived in the College of Health & Human Services. This state-of-the-art platform offers digitized human cadavers and superior learning tools.

# Make life-long connections with Cardinals by joining an academic club.

## **HHS CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS**

CARDINALS FOR PUBLIC HEALTH  
 CARDINALS FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS  
 HEALTH PROFESSIONS ASSOCIATION  
 MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCE  
 PEER HEALTH EDUCATION  
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 PRE-PHYSICAL THERAPY CLUB  
 RELAY FOR LIFE OF SVSU  
 STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
 STUDENT EXERCISE SCIENCE ASSOCIATION  
 STUDENT NURSES' ASSOCIATION  
 STUDENT OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSOCIATION  
 STUDENT SOCIAL WORK ORGANIZATION  
 WOMEN IN HEALTHCARE



*Do you have questions about HHS academic programs and pathways? SVSU faculty are here for you.*

**ASK AN EXPERT**  
[svsu.edu/admissions/asktheexperts](https://svsu.edu/admissions/asktheexperts)

## **TOP 5**

*nursing schools in Michigan and among the top 10% in the United States as determined by RNCareers.org*







A SAMPLING OF HEALTH CARE FACILITIES WHERE SVSU STUDENTS & GRADUATES **STAND OUT.**



**FIRST-TIME  
PASS RATE ON THE  
NCLEX®**

(The national licensure exam for nursing students, in 2024)





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# **CAREERS IN HEALTH**

SVSU has academic pathways that lead to top careers highlighted by the Michigan Department of Technology, Management & Budget. These jobs have impressive long-term growth and plenty of job openings projected all the way up to 2030. So if you're looking to secure a bright future in Michigan, SVSU is your ticket to success!

Enroll at SVSU and let our advisors guide you toward your dream career!

[svsu.edu/nextsteps](https://svsu.edu/nextsteps)



## **QUESTIONS?**

Contact your admissions representative to schedule a one-on-one conversation.

[svsu.edu/admissionsrepmap](https://svsu.edu/admissionsrepmap)

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# 100+ UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS AT SVSU

## ARTS & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

Art  
Asian Studies ●  
Black Studies  
Communication  
Communication & Theatre Education  
Creative Writing  
Criminal Justice  
Digital Publishing and Community Journalism ●  
English/Language Arts Education  
English-Literature  
Environmental Studies & Sustainability  
Fine Arts BFA  
French  
French Education  
Gender Studies ●  
General Studies  
Geographic Information Systems ●  
Geography  
Geospatial Techniques ●  
Graphic Design  
History  
International Studies

Japanese ●  
Leadership & Service ●  
Legal Philosophy ●  
Music  
Music Education  
Musical Theatre ●  
Philosophy ●  
Political Science  
Pre-Law  
Public Law ●  
Professional & Technical Writing  
Psychology  
Public Administration (4+1 MPA)  
Public History ●  
Religious Studies ●  
Sociology  
Spanish  
Spanish Education  
Spanish for Health Professions ●  
Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages ●  
Theatre  
User Experience Design ●  
Visual Arts Education  
Writing for Public Purposes ●

## TEACHER EDUCATION

**EARLY CHILDHOOD & ELEMENTARY:**  
Birth-Kindergarten  
PreK-3rd Grade Lower Elementary  
3rd-6th Grade Upper Elementary

**MIDDLE AND SECONDARY**  
5TH-9TH GRADES & 7TH-12TH GRADES:  
English/Language Arts  
Integrated Science  
Mathematics  
Science  
Social Studies

**K-12 SPECIAL EDUCATION:**  
Autism Spectrum Disorder  
Cognitive Impairment  
Learning Disabilities

**PRE K-12 SPECIALTY AREAS & ADDITIONAL ENDORSEMENTS:**  
Health and Physical Education  
Music Education  
Visual Arts Education  
World Languages (Spanish or French)

Educational Studies ● (non-certification)

**KEY:** ● Minor ● Certificate ● Concentration

## STILL DECIDING?

You don't need to pick a major right away at SVSU. Your academic advisor will help you choose classes that count toward your general education. Our career advisors have tools to help you discover a career path based on your interests & strengths!

## BUSINESS (All business majors can lead to a 4+1 MBA)

Accounting  
BPA (CPA track)  
Digital Marketing ●  
Economics  
Economics and Data Analytics  
Entrepreneurship ● ●  
Finance  
Financial Planning ●  
Investment ●

General Business  
International Business  
Legal Studies ●  
Management  
Family Business Management ●  
Human Resource Management ●  
Marketing  
Professional Sales ● ●  
Supply Chain Management

## HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Athletic Coaching ●  
Behavioral Health – Substance Use and Dependency ●  
Child Welfare ●  
Emergency Management ●  
Exercise Promotion ●  
Exercise Science  
Gerontology ● ●  
Healthcare Quality & Safety ●  
Health Science  
Juvenile Delinquency ●  
Long Term Care ●  
Long Term Care Administrator ●  
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Health Administration ●  
Rehabilitation Medicine  
Social Work  
Youth Services ●

## SCIENCE, ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY

Actuarial Science ●  
Agricultural Studies ●  
Applied Mathematics  
Biochemistry  
Environmental ●  
Biological Science  
Biology Education  
Business Chemistry  
Cell Biology, Molecular Biology & Biomedical Sciences  
Chemical Physics  
Chemistry  
American Chemical Society (ACS) ●  
Environmental ●  
Chemistry Education  
Computer Engineering

Computer Information Systems  
Computer Science  
Computer Science & Information Systems ●  
Cybersecurity ●  
Ecology, Evolution & Organismal Biology  
Electrical Engineering  
Engineering & Technology ●  
Engineering Technology Management  
Environmental Science  
Mathematics  
Math Education  
Mechanical Engineering  
Optical Physics  
Physics  
Physics Education  
Pre-Agriculture  
Psychological Biology ●

## PRE PROFESSIONAL HEALTH PROGRAMS

Pre-Chiropractic Medicine  
Pre-Dentistry  
Pre-Medicine  
Pre-Optometry

Pre-Pharmacy  
Pre-Physician Assistant  
Pre-Podiatry  
Pre-Veterinary Medicine

# CONTINUE WITH YOUR MASTER'S / ADVANCED DEGREE AT SVSU ● Certificate ● Concentration

## BUSINESS

**Business Administration (MBA)**  
-Business Analytics ●  
-Entrepreneurship ●  
-Health Administration ●  
-International Business ●

## HEALTH

**Health Administration (MHA)**  
**Health Administration/Public Health (Combined MHA/MPH)**  
**Occupational Therapy (MSOT)**  
**Social Work (MSW)**  
**Public Health (MPH)**  
-Combined BS/MPH degree  
**Public Health Certifications**  
-Public Health ●  
-Healthcare Ethics and Compliance ●  
-Health Administration Leadership ●  
-Healthcare Quality and Safety ●  
-Epidemiology ●

## COMMUNICATION

Strategic Organizational Communication ●

## EDUCATION

**Early Childhood Classroom Teaching (MAT)**  
**Educational Leadership – Principalship (MED)**  
**Educational Leadership – Ed Specialist (EDS)**  
**Educational Leadership – Accelerated Route to Michigan Admin Certification (Ascend Leadership Academy)**  
**K-12 Literacy Specialist (MAT)**  
**Special Education (MAT)**  
**Technology Learning Systems & Design (MA)**  
**Education Certifications**  
-Traditional Route to Teacher Certification ●  
-Accelerated Route to Teacher Certification ●  
-Autism Spectrum Disorder (K-12) ●  
-Cognitive Impairment (K-12) ●  
-Learning Disabilities (K-12) ●  
-Online Training & Design ●

## PUBLIC SERVICE & NONPROFIT

**Public Administration (MPA)**  
-Student Affairs Administration ●  
-Workplace Conflict Management ●

## TECHNOLOGY

Computer Science & Information Systems (MS)

## NURSING

**Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP)**  
**Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) – Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP)**  
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BSN to DNP  
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MSN to DNP  
**Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) – Dual Family Nurse Practitioner/Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (FNP/PMHNP)**  
**Master of Science in Nursing (MSN)**  
-Dual Nurse Educator/Nurse Administrator ●  
-Nurse Administrator ●  
-Nurse Educator ●  
-Primary Care Family Nurse Practitioner ●  
**Nursing Certifications**  
-Dual Nurse Educator/Nurse Administrator ●  
-Nurse Administrator ●  
-Nurse Educator ●  
-Primary Care Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) ●  
-Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Postgraduate (PMHNP) ●