

Human Physiology

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Human physiology is the science of the mechanical, physical, and biochemical function of humans, and serves as the foundation of modern medicine. As a discipline, it connects science, medicine, and health, and creates a framework for understanding how the human body adapts to stresses, physical activity, and disease.

Human physiology and anatomy are closely related—anatomy is the study of form, physiology is the study of function, and form and function are intrinsically linked. The study of human physiology integrates knowledge across many levels, including biochemistry, cell physiology, and organ systems. Contemporary research in human physiology explores new ways to maintain or improve the quality of life, the development of new medical therapies and interventions, and the unanswered questions about how the human body works. The Department of Human Physiology serves its students by providing strong training in human physiology and anatomy to prepare them for careers in medicine, allied health professions, and biomedical research.

Faculty

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Emeriti

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The date in parentheses at the end of each entry is the first year on the University of Oregon faculty.

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Major - Bachelor's Degree

- Human Physiology (BA/BS) (<http://catalog.uoregon.edu/arts-sciences/natural-sciences/hum-phys/ug-human-physiology/>)

Graduate Program

Major - Doctoral Degree

- Human Physiology (PhD) (<http://catalog.uoregon.edu/arts-sciences/natural-sciences/hum-phys/phd-human-physiology/>)