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Jefferson (Philadelphia University + Thomas Jefferson University) is now one comprehensive, professional university – and the 5th largest in the city of Philadelphia. From Fashion and Interior Design to Medicine and Nursing and from Engineering and Architecture to Accounting and Biotechnology, Jefferson's 160 academic programs, spanning all degree levels, are designed to meet the needs of the modern professional world.

To further enhance the student experience, the University is making some changes to deliver on our mission, which is to "improve lives and provide students with exceptional value in 21st century professional education."

Effective July 1, 2018, the University will launch a new College of Rehabilitation Sciences and a College of Humanities and Sciences. The College of Health Professions will expand to add new programs and the College of Biomedical Sciences will be renamed the College of Life Sciences to better reflect its new portfolio of undergraduate and graduate programs.

"These changes represent a realignment of departments and programs from the College of Health Professions and the College of Science, Health and the Liberal Arts to optimize the academic experience for our students," said Stephen Spinelli, Jr., PhD, Chancellor, Jefferson.

"This move is advancing Jefferson's commitment to: integrate its offerings by aggregating similar programs under unified leadership; leverage our tremendous faculty talent across the University; accelerate our growth through synergies among educational offerings; and create unique models for transdisciplinary teaching and learning," noted Mark Tykocinski, MD, Vice Chancellor and Provost, Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, and The Anthony F. and Gertrude M. DePalma Dean of Sidney Kimmel Medical College.

We are proud of the recent recognition bestowed on our Fashion Design and Interior Design programs.
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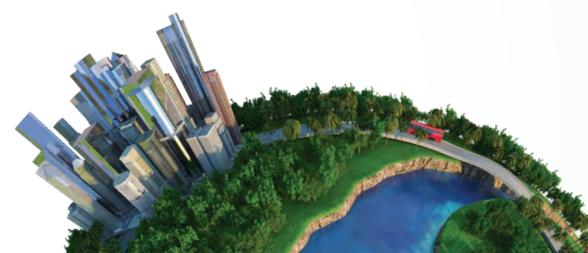
Here's a listing of our University's colleges and schools, come July:

- College of Architecture and the Built Environment
- College of Health Professions
- College of Humanities and Sciences
- College of Life Sciences
- College of Nursing
- College of Population Health
- College of Pharmacy
- College of Rehabilitation Sciences
- Kanbar College of Design, Engineering and Commerce
 - School of Design and Engineering
 - School of Business Administration
- Sidney Kimmel Medical College
- School of Continuing and Professional Studies

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Exceptional Health Care Where You Are

Jefferson has expanded care to New Jersey and announces new names for our NJ hospitals and those in northeast Philadelphia and Bucks County.



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New Home for 'My Sister's Place' Now Open, Thanks to Generous Benefactors



The new residential location for our Maternal Addiction Treatment Education and Research (MATER) program for mothers recovering from opioid addiction is now open. Joining Jefferson leaders at the ribbon-cutting event were Philadelphia Councilman Allan Domb (right) and Sandra and Stephen Sheller (fourth and second from right), dedicated benefactors to MATER programs. Councilman Domb presented the largest private donation in MATER's history, which will allow the staff to continue to provide mindfulness-based parenting taught by a master-level clinical counselor. Learn more at jefferson.edu/news. Photo: Gail Benner

Expanding Care to NJ and Announcing New Jefferson Location Names

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As a next step in our combination with Kennedy Health in New Jersey, Kennedy Health hospitals have been renamed as **Jefferson Cherry Hill Hospital**, **Jefferson Stratford Hospital**, and **Jefferson Washington Township Hospital**. And, to help the community recognize previous Aria – Jefferson Health locations in Northeast Philadelphia and Bucks County as Jefferson Health providers, we recently changed the name of these hospitals to **Jefferson Frankford Hospital**, **Jefferson Torresdale Hospital**, and **Jefferson Bucks Hospital**.



Thomas Jefferson University received several honors recently. Fashion Design at Jefferson has been ranked a top 10 program in the US by Fashionista, while Business of Fashion has ranked both our undergraduate and graduate fashion programs among the best in the world. In addition, Jefferson's Interior Design program has been ranked in the nation's top 20 by DesignIntelligence.

Learn more about programs at Jefferson.edu.

This fall, leaders at Jefferson and the world-renowned Monell Center, recognized for its research in chemosensory disorders, signed a letter of intent to merge. This partnership opens up the potential for a new frontier in sensory health research and technology. Jefferson has a longstanding relationship with the Monell Center through our Department of Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery. Learn more at Jefferson.edu/news.



Awards & Accreditations

- The NIH has awarded Thomas Jefferson University up to \$30M to develop a vaccine for Ebola and other viruses. In collaboration with other research institutions, private industry, and the US Government, Jefferson will develop a tetravalent vaccine (that can also protect against rabies) to defend against four viruses that can be fatal.
- Jefferson Health hospitals have received high patient safety marks from The Leapfrog Group.
 - Receiving an "A" grade: Thomas Jefferson University Hospital (including Jefferson Hospital for Neuroscience), Methodist Hospital, Abington – Lansdale Hospital, Aria Bucks County Hospital, Jefferson Cherry Hill Hospital, Jefferson Stratford Hospital and Jefferson Washington Township Hospital.
 - Receiving a "B" grade: Abington Hospital, Aria Frankford Hospital, and Aria Torresdale Hospital.
- The Healthcare Improvement Foundation presented patient safety awards to Jefferson Health hospitals. Thomas Jefferson University Hospitals received a *First Place Award* for the initiative entitled "Implementation of a Patient Blood Management Program", Aria – Jefferson Health received a *Second Place Award* for "Progressive Mobility: Evidence Based Program Improves Outcomes in Critically Ill Patients."
- Jefferson Health in New Jersey was honored with the *Innovation in Healthcare Award* by the Southern New Jersey Development Council.
- The Hospital and Healthsystem Association of Pennsylvania gave platinum-level recognition to Jefferson for its 2017 HAP Donate Life Hospital Challenge. Jefferson Health was given the recognition for its *Gift of Life Donor Program*; TJUH earned the designation for its *Center for Organ Recovery & Education (CORE)*. The following hospitals also received platinum status for the Gift of Life Donor Program: Abington – Jefferson Health; Abington Lansdale – Jefferson Health; Aria – Bucks County Hospital; Aria – Frankford Hospital; Aria – Torresdale Hospital; and Jefferson Hospital for Neuroscience/Thomas Jefferson University Hospital.

Brookings Institution Report: TJU #12 in US for Commercial Outcomes, #8 for Startups

In a new Brookings Institution national report on the commercial outcomes of downtown research universities, Jefferson ranked 12th best overall and 8th in the country for startups. The report, "Hidden in Plain Sight: The Oversized Impact of Downtown Universities," provides evidence that Philadelphia and Jefferson are national powerhouses of innovation and entrepreneurship.

On a per-student basis, downtown universities outperform schools in the suburbs and rural areas in such economic drivers as licensing deals and income, number of inventions and startup creation, according to the report by the Anne T. and Robert M. Bass Initiative on Innovation and Placemaking at Brookings.

Learn more at Brookings.edu.

Support Groups and More at the New SKCC Cancer Support & Welcome Center



Our new center, located at 914 Chestnut Street in Philadelphia, offers a wide range of support groups, an area to relax and enjoy refreshments, computers for accessing additional resources and health information, and more. All patients and caregivers affected by cancer are welcome. Pictured at the Center's opening are staff members of the Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, including nurses, physicians and social workers. For more information, call the Center at 215-955-1800, Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Comprehensive Breast Center Now Open in Washington Township, NJ



Jefferson Health recently held a grand opening for the Comprehensive Breast Center, located in Washington Township. Pictured are staff members, including Radiation Oncology Medical Director Tamara LaCouture, MD; Jefferson Health – New Jersey President Joseph W. Devine; Breast Center Medical Director Kay Yoon-Flannery, MD; Rob Davis, VP, Product Lines, Jefferson Health – New Jersey; breast surgeons Michele Fantazzio, MD, and Diane Gillum, MD; and Jefferson Health – New Jersey Chief Physician Executive Carman Ciervo, MD. To schedule an appointment, please call 856-218-2100.

Jefferson Joins with Eagles for Autism Challenge

The Eagles Autism Challenge on May 19, 2018, is an opportunity to join with Jefferson staff and our longtime partners, the Philadelphia Eagles, to make a positive difference in the community. Help raise funds for autism research and treatment programs by cycling (15, 30 and 50 miles) or participating in a 5K run/walk. Part of the proceeds will support autism programs and research at Jefferson. Learn more and join Team Jefferson! Visit Jefferson.edu/EaglesAutismChallenge.



Developments

- Thomas Jefferson University and Jefferson Health have joined the Independence Business Alliance as a Gold Corporate Partner. This membership, signifying Jefferson's commitment and support of the LGBT community, will help us connect to local LGBT businesses and increase supplier diversity.
- The Rothman Institute at Jefferson has joined with the Philadelphia Eagles and Novo Nordisk to establish the Eagles Health and Wellness platform, an initiative designed to motivate Eagles fans to adopt an active lifestyle through daily exercise and healthy eating. The program will be accessible year-round and serves as a fundamental resource for healthy eating, fitness tips and information about special events taking place as part of the program. Learn more at www.philadelphiaeagles.com/eagleshealth.

Discovery

- Second-line HIV drugs have the potential to work better when used together, but not for all patients. Now Jefferson researchers have discovered how that synergy might work, suggesting ways to develop better HIV drugs.
- A new study from the Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, published in *Clinical Cancer Research*, demonstrated the feasibility of detecting cancer-associated gene mutations in circulating tumor cells isolated from patients – providing a powerful new tool for clinicians and cancer researchers.
- The American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine is sponsoring a groundbreaking nationwide project to study medical student empathy and its relationship to osteopathic medical education in collaboration with our Sidney Kimmel Medical College and Leonard Calabrese, DO, a professor of medicine at Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine.
- The brain's region for balance and movement is also involved in processing traumatic memories, say Jefferson researchers. The scientists found that Neuro Emotional Technique therapy at Jefferson, which activates the cerebellum, gives patients being treated for cancer and other long-term illnesses relief by diffusing a "bomb" on the "worst anxiety ever."

Learn more about these and other discoveries. Visit Jefferson.edu/news.



Mark Tykocinski, MD, Vice Chancellor and Provost of TJU and Dean of the Sidney Kimmel Medical College (center), has received the 2017 *Strittmatter Award* from the Philadelphia County Medical Society. The award is the society's most prestigious scientific award that honors a physician who has demonstrated valuable contributions to the healing art – surgical or medical.

Reaching Out to Our Neighbors: Jefferson Torresdale Hospital Hosts Community Day



At a recent Community Day event hosted by Jefferson Torresdale Hospital (formerly Aria-Jefferson Health Torresdale Hospital), our neighbors enjoyed food, free health screenings, information tables, tours of a local SWAT team vehicle, prize drawings, and fun fall activities for the kids (including, among other highlights, a teddy bear clinic). Pictured are Monica Ryan, RN, Emergency Room Nurse, and Karen Zeltt, RN, Nurse Educator.

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People

Alex Beekley, MD, Associate Professor of Surgery at the Sidney Kimmel Medical College (SKMC) at TJU, was named an editor for *Front Line Surgery: A Practical Approach*.

Theodore Christopher, MD, FACEP, Professor and Chairman of the Department of Emergency Medicine at SKMC, has been sworn in as the 168th president of the Pennsylvania Medical Society.

Frances Gilman, DHSc, RT, R, CT, MR, CV, ARRT, of Jefferson College of Health Professions has received an AuntMinnie.com award for *Most Effective Radiologic Technologist Educator*. AuntMinnie.com 2017 recognizes the best and brightest in medical imaging. Jefferson also won a *Minnie* for *Best Radiologic Technologist Training Program*.

Elda Grabocka, PhD, has received a two-year \$200K grant as part of the prestigious *V Foundation Scholar Research Award* for “Targeting Stress Adaptive Mechanisms as a Strategy for Precision Oncology in Pancreatic Cancer.” Dr. Grabocka is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Cancer Biology at TJU.

DesignIntelligence named **Lisa Phillips**, Assistant Professor of Interior Design at Jefferson, one of the 25 most admired educators.

Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center Director **Karen Knudsen, PhD** was recently reappointed as Editor-in-Chief of the prestigious American Association for Cancer Research journal, *Molecular Cancer Research*.

Several Jefferson-affiliated physicians were named to Pennsylvania’s *Top Physicians under 40* for 2017, a list published by the Pennsylvania Medical Society: **Kandan Kulandaivel, MD** (Abington), **Jason Ojeda, MD** (Jefferson), **Allen Chiang, MD** (Wills Eye and SKMC), **Wayne Lau, MD** (Jefferson), **Kory London, MD** (Jefferson), and **Kristin Rising, MD** (Jefferson).

Philadelphia Business Journal has selected **Tiffany Newmuir** as one of the 2017 *Women of Distinction*. She is Senior Director, Community Engagement and Emerging Markets in Jefferson’s Enterprise Office of Diversity, Inclusion & Community Engagement.

Roshni Patel, PharmD, Assistant Professor of Pharmacy Practice, was named one of Pennsylvania Pharmacists Association’s 2017 *Ten Under Ten Award* recipients. Dr. Patel is also a graduate of Jefferson.

Ashwini D. Sharan, MD, Professor of Neurological Surgery and Neurology, has been named President of the Congress of Neurological Surgeons.

Drs. Susan Wainwright and **Adel Herge** of Jefferson College of Health Professions have been awarded the Journal of Allied Health’s 2017 *J. Warren Perry Award* for their manuscript entitled “Development of an Instrument to Assess the Clinical Effectiveness of the Debriefing in Simulation Education.”

