

Debra Leigh Sutton
Abbreviated Vitae 2012 - 2023
Department of Health Sciences
James Madison University

EDUCATION

1991	Ph.D.	The Pennsylvania State University	Major: Health Education
1981	M.A.	Ball State University	Major: Health Sciences
1980	B.S.	Ball State University	Major: Health and Safety Minors: Public Health, Secondary Ed

PROFESSIONAL AND WORK EXPERIENCE

1992 – Present	Associate Professor	Department of Health Science	James Madison University
1991 – 1992	Assistant Professor	Department of Health & Physical Education	Morehead State University
1989 – 1991	Instructor	Department of Health and Safety	Western Kentucky University
1987 – 1989	Instructor	Department of Health Education	Pennsylvania State University
1986 – 1987	Teacher (SPED)	Wilson Middle School	Muncie Community Schools
1985 – 1986	Instructor	Department of Physiology & Health Science	Ball State University
1984 – 1985	Teacher (SPED)	Muncie Central High School	Muncie Community Schools
1982 – 1984	Instructor	Department of Health & Physical Education	University of Northern Colorado
Spring 1982	Instructor	Department of Health & Physical Education	Texas Tech University
1981 – 1982	Recreation Director	Hillcroft Center - Delaware County ARC	Muncie, Indiana
1980 – 1981	Graduate Assistant	Department of Physiology & Health Science	Ball State University
1976 – 1980	Student Assistant	Department of Counseling & Guidance	Ball State University

TEACHING (Academic years 2012– 2023)

2022 – 2023	HTH 100 – Personal Wellness (626 students) and HTH 245 – Foundations of Infectious Disease (76 students)
2021 – 2022	HTH 100 – Personal Wellness (618 students) and HTH 245 – Foundations of Infectious Disease (76 students)
2020 – 2021	HTH 100 – Personal Wellness (628 students) and HTH 245 – Foundations of Infectious Disease (64 students)
2019 – 2020	HTH 100 – Personal Wellness (634 students) and HTH 245 – Foundations of Infectious Disease (71 students)
2018 – 2019	HTH 100 – Personal Wellness (641 students) and HTH 245 – Foundations of Infectious Disease (79 students)
2017 – 2018	HTH 100 – Personal Wellness (647 students) and HTH 245 – Foundations of Infectious Disease (143 students)
2016 – 2017	HTH 100 – Personal Wellness (800 students) and HTH 245 – Foundations of Infectious Disease (94 students)
2015 – 2016	HTH 100 – Personal Wellness (640 students) and HTH 245 – Foundations of Infectious Disease (85 students)
2014 – 2015	HTH 100 – Personal Wellness (760 students) and HTH 399 – Honors Thesis (2 students)
2013 – 2014	HTH 100 – Personal Wellness (650 students) and HTH 368 – International Health (47 students)
2012 – 2013	HTH 100 – Personal Wellness (730 students)

SCHOLARHIP (Academic years 2012 – 2022)

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Sarah R. Blackstone, Aimee K. Johnson & Debra Sutton (2019) Perceptions of Weight-Conscious Drinking and the Role of Mental Health: A Mixed-Methods Approach, *American Journal of Health Education*, 50:4, 225-235, DOI: 10.1080/19325037.2019.1616013

Andrew Peachey, Debra Sutton & Michelle Cathorall (2015). Helmet ownership and use among skateboarders: Utilization of the Health Belief Model, *Health Education Journal*, 75, DOI: 10.1177/0017896915607912

Presentations

Sutton, D. (2023, March). Building Bridges with a Well-being Partnership Between Campus Recreation & Academics. Presentation, NIRSA Annual Conference, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Sutton, D. (2021, November). It's time to refocus attention on preventing STDs among Virginia's youth. Presentation, Virginia Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance Annual Convention, Virginia Beach, VA.

Sutton, D. (2020, November). What you need to know about COVID-19 Pandemic. Presentation, Virginia Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance Annual Convention, Reston, Virginia.

Sutton, D., Prodoehl, T., Stickney, M., Collazo Vargas, E., Lemons, L (2019, February). A collaborative assignment that increases student learning in large classes. Presentation, Virginia Tech Symposium on Teaching Large Classes, Blacksburg, Virginia.

Flynn, R., Sutton, D. (2018, April). Identifying Opioid Abuse Prevention Strategies in Rockingham County. Poster presentation, Virginia Public Health Association Annual Meeting, Lynchburg, Virginia.

Peachey, A., Sutton, D. (2016, November). Evaluating Physical Activity Gains in a Personal Wellness Course. Poster presentation, American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, Denver, Colorado.

Wallace Carr, J., (2014, April) Establishing and Maintaining Successful Partnerships Between University Recreation and Academia. Presentation, NIRSA: Leaders in Collegiate Recreation Annual Meeting, Nashville, Tennessee.

Peachey, A., Sutton, D. (2014, November). Predictors of Helmet Use Ownership and Helmet Use Among Skateboarders. Presentation, American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Sutton, D., Blavos, A., Misra, R. (2012, October). Study Abroad Programs to Improve Knowledge of Health Issues and Understanding of Cultural Differences. American School Health Association Annual Conference, San Antonio, Texas.

Sutton, D., Blavos, A., Ott Walter, K. (2012, October). Using Photography to Create an Enriching Study Abroad Experience for American University Students. American School Health Association Annual Conference, San Antonio, Texas.

Grants

Sutton, D. & Eicher, L. Provost Faculty Development Support Awards (2018). Title: Purchase site license for Poll Everywhere, Interactive classroom technology. (\$650)

Sutton, D. & Howley, T. Innovative Diversity Efforts Award (IDEA) Program Grant (2015). Title: Engaging future health professionals in research on diversity and health disparities. (\$4000)

UNIVERSITY & DEPARTMENT SERVICE (Academic years 2013 – 2023)

2022 – 2023 HTH 100 – Personal Wellness Course Coordinator
2022 – 2023 General Education Cluster Five Committee, Member
2022 – 2023 Department of Health Sciences Curriculum and Instruction (C&I) Committee, Member
2022 – 2023 General Education Annual Student Conference, Mentor, Planning Committee, and Session Moderator

2021 – 2022 HTH 100 – Personal Wellness Course Coordinator
2021 – 2022 Department of Health Sciences, Faculty Search Committee, Chair
2021 – 2022 General Education Cluster Five Committee, Member
2021 – 2022 College DEI Faculty Task Force, Member
2021 – 2022 Department of Health Sciences Curriculum and Instruction (C&I) Committee, Member
2021 – 2022 General Education Annual Student Conference, Mentor, Planning Committee, and Session Moderator
2021 – 2022 Abstract Reviewer for the 2022 Society of Public Health Education (SOPHE) Annual Conference.

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2020 – 2021 General Education Cluster Five Committee, Member
2020 – 2021 College DEI Faculty Task Force, Member
2020 – 2021 Department of Health Sciences Curriculum and Instruction (C&I) Committee, Member
2020 – 2021 Abstract Reviewer for the 2022 Society of Public Health Education (SOPHE) Annual Conference.

2019 – 2020 HTH 100 – Personal Wellness Course Coordinator
2019 – 2020 Department of Health Sciences, Faculty Search Committee, Member
2019 – 2020 Abstract Reviewer for the 2022 Society of Public Health Education (SOPHE) Annual Conference.
2019 – 2020 Department of Health Sciences Curriculum and Instruction (C&I) Committee, Member
2019 – 2021 General Education Annual Student Conference, Mentor, Planning Committee, and Session Moderator
2019 – 2020 General Education Cluster Five Committee, Member

2018 – 2019 HTH 100 – Personal Wellness Course Coordinator
2018 – 2019 Department of Health Sciences Academic Unit Personnel Advisory Committee (AUPAC), Member
2018 – 2019 Department of Health Sciences Curriculum and Instruction (C&I) Committee, Member
2018 – 2019 Cluster Five General Education Committee, Member
2018 – 2019 Coordinated interdisciplinary itinerary for guest speaker Ms. Cecilia McGough Feb. 24 - 25, 2019
2018 – 2019 General Education Annual Student Conference, Mentor, Planning Committee, and Session Moderator
2018 – 2019 Coordinated student group attending the VAPHA Conference and Student Research Day on March 29, 2019

2017 – 2018 HTH 100 – Personal Wellness Course Coordinator
2017 – 2018 Department of Health Sciences, Faculty Search Committee, Member
2017 – 2018 University General Education Council, College of Health and Behavior Studies Representative
2017 – 2018 Cluster Five General Education Committee, Member
2017 – 2018 Coordinated student group attending the VAPHA Conference and Student Research Day on April 20, 2018

2016 – 2017 HTH 100 – Personal Wellness Course Coordinator
 2016 – 2017 Department of Health Sciences, Faculty Search Committee, Chairperson
 2016 – 2017 University General Education Council, College of Health and Behavior Studies Representative
 2016 – 2017 Cluster Five General Education Committee, Member
 2016 – 2017 General Education Annual Student Conference, Mentor, Planning Committee, and Session Moderator
 2015 – 2016 HTH 100 – Personal Wellness Course Coordinator
 2015 – 2016 Department of Health Sciences, Faculty Search Committee, Co-chairperson
 2015 – 2016 Department of Health Sciences, Faculty Search Committee (one-year appointment) Member
 2015 – 2016 University General Education Council, College of Health and Behavior Studies Representative
 2015 – 2016 Cluster Five General Education Committee, Member

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 2014 – 2015 Department of Health Sciences, Faculty Search Committee, Member
 2014 – 2015 General Education Annual Student Conference, Mentor and Moderator
 2014 – 2015 Cluster Five General Education Committee, Member

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 2013 – 2014 Cluster Five General Education Committee, Member
 2013 – 2014 Cluster Five General Education Wellness Domain Assessment Committee, Member
 2013 – 2014 General Education Annual Student Conference, Mentor and Moderator
 2013 – 2014 Department of Health Sciences RTA Task Force, Member
 2013 – 2014 College of Health and Behavior Studies Building Committee, Member

James Madison University Study Abroad Programs

Co-director (4-weeks) HIV/AIDS among Children and Youth in South Africa and Botswana, May/June 2016
 Director (4-weeks) International Health and HIV/AIDS in South Africa, May/June, 2015
 Director (4-weeks) International Health and HIV/AIDS in South Africa, May/June 2013
 Director (4-weeks) International Health and HIV/AIDS in South Africa, May/June 2011
 Director (3 weeks) Child Health & Wellness in South Africa-Western Cape, June, 2009
 Director (3 weeks) Child Health & Wellness in South Africa-Eastern Cape, June, 2008
 Director (3 weeks) Child Health & Wellness in South Africa-Western Cape, May, 2008
 Director (3 weeks) HIV/AIDS Prevention in South Africa, May, 2007
 Director (3 weeks) HIV/AIDS Prevention Education in Trinidad and Tobago, May 2005
 Co-director (3 weeks) HIV/AIDS Prevention Education in Trinidad and Tobago, May 2004
 Co-director (4 weeks) Strategies of Health Behavior Change in Greece, May, 1997
 Co-director (8 weeks) Student Teaching in Germany, February/April, 1995

Current Professional Memberships

American Public Health Association
 Eta Sigma Gamma – Lifetime Member
 Society for Health Education (SOPHE)
 Virginia Health Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance
 Virginia Public Health Association

AWARDS

Inducted into the Inaugural Cohort Fellows of Eta Sigma Gamma - National Health Education Honorary, March 29, 2017
 Received the Robert J. Synovitz Distinguished Service Award from Eta Sigma Gamma – National Health Education Honorary, March 31, 2016