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# Allied Health

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**Letter From Dean Barb Schaffner Leadership: Is It the Key to Making Things Better?**

Otterbein's professionals to the rescue ... [Read more here.](#)

Allied Health  
Graduate Program Director:  
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**UPCOMING EVENTS**  
Graduate Showcase  
April 3, 5 - 7 p.m.  
Otterbein Science Center  
Atriums 1 & 2

Doctoral/Master's  
Commencement  
April 28, 1:30 p.m.  
Rike Center  
Commencement Speaker:  
Daniel Keenan  
Executive Director of the  
Martha Holden Jennings  
Foundation

Dr. Keenan was the 2012 recipient of Cleveland State University's Distinguished Alumni Award for his contributions to public education. As superintendent of the Westlake City Schools for seven years, he was the 2014 Buckeye Association of School Administrators Ohio superintendent of the year. In 2015, he became the Executive Director of the Martha Holden Jennings Foundation.

Otterbein Alumni Graduate

## Otterbein Graduate School Student Success!

### 2017 Alumni Survey Preliminary Results:

**97.30%** of respondents felt well prepared for their career because of the education they received at Otterbein University.

**62.16%** of respondents obtained a new career position due to receiving their graduate degree from Otterbein University.

**77.50%** of respondents utilize their Otterbein graduate degree in their current profession.

### Students Reported on Their Graduate Program Experience:

"I felt that all faculty members that I interacted with took an active role in advancing my education."

"I believe that all Otterbein staff want students to succeed."

*Watch for the final 2017 Graduate School Alumni Survey report in the Summer Newsletter 2018.*

## Allied Health Program News

### Otterbein Alumni and Students are Leading the Way in Corporate Wellness Programs

Otterbein is responding to the demand for trained professionals and is at the forefront of leading healthcare initiatives in Central Ohio.

[Read the full story here.](#)

### Graduate School Spotlight: Disruptive Innovation

Otterbein University sponsored a face-to-face educational event for members of the American College of Healthcare Executives to discuss "Disruptive Innovation". Twenty-five executives were in attendance from different healthcare systems around the greater Ohio area. Paul Longenecker, faculty member and MSAH program director, served as moderator.

## School Scholarship

Did you know that as an Otterbein alumni you may be eligible for scholarships for graduate programs?

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*Allied Health Graduate Program Director Paul Longenecker (center) with Lauren Keller, former graduate assistant and MSAH alumna (left), and David Frederick, current graduate assistant (right).*

## **Welcome Jeff Kasler as Adjunct Professor to the Master of Science in Allied Health Program**

The Allied Health program is proud to welcome our newest adjunct professor, Jeff Kasler. Jeff is the Director of Government Relations at OhioHealth at the local, state, and federal level. Jeff comes to us with a wealth of knowledge and has been a regular guest speaker in the MSAH program for several years. We are thrilled to have him teaching the U.S. Healthcare Policy course this semester.

Jeff shared a bit of insight about his hopes for this experience. "I hope to facilitate unique thoughts, dialogue and perspectives from all the students. Ideally, I leave the class more informed and curious than I found it!"



*Jeff Kasler, Master of Science in Allied Health Adjunct Professor*

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