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Quick Facts

- Shelley Hamill, associate professor of health education, has been certified as a Master Certified Health Education Specialist.
- Hamill has taught health education for more than 27 years.



Shelley Hamill

ROCK HILL, S.C. - **Shelley Hamill**, associate professor of health education, is among the first group to earn the certification as a Master Certified Health Education Specialist.

The newly created advanced-level certification, awarded by the **National Commission for Health Education Credentialing, Inc.**, signifies that **Hamill** has met the national standards for individual health education practitioners. The **MCHES certification** attests to health educators' knowledge and understanding of the health education areas of responsibility at an advanced level and assists employers in identifying qualified health education practitioners.

Hamill earned her Ph.D. in education at Walden University, her M.Ed. in health education at the University of North Carolina-Charlotte and her B.A. in physical education at Pfeiffer University. She has more than 27 years of experience teaching at elementary, middle and collegiate levels. She served as cho-chair of the Health and Safety Curriculum Standards for the state of South Carolina. **Hamill** is the recipient of the Governor's Award from North Carolina for her service in the fight against HIV/AIDS, and she was recognized by the U.S. Surgeon General for her work with tribal communities on the issues of HIV/AIDS, STDs and substance abuse. She also has been recognized twice as a "Woman of Achievement" by Winthrop's Division of Student Life.

In addition, **Hamill** received the Health Education Professor of the Year award from the S.C. Association for the Advancement of Health Education in 2000 and 2010.

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