

## COMMUNICATION SCIENCES AND DISORDERS B.S.

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This major leads to a Bachelor of Science. The major provides the breadth of a liberal arts education plus an introduction to the health sciences, as well as in-depth information about human communication, including opportunities to explore a variety of communication disorders and the work of speech-language pathologists and audiologists. Students are introduced to a variety of communication disorders through classes, observations, and clinical activities. A minimum of 120 credits, a minor, and a GPA of 2.5 are required for the Communication Sciences major.

Students with a semester and/or cumulative grade point average below 2.5 will be placed on trial for one semester. Students who fail to raise both their semester and cumulative grade point averages to at least 2.5 during the trial semester will be discontinued from the program. Students who earn a grade of C-, D, or F in any CSD, LING, or PSYS course twice, or once in two separate courses, will be discontinued from the program. Students are allowed one trial period while in the Communication Sciences and Disorders program, and must maintain semester and cumulative grade point averages of 2.5 or higher for the duration of the program following a semester on trial. Failure to do so will result in discontinuation from the program.

Working as a speech-language pathologist (SLP) requires a master’s degree, clinical certification from the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, and state licensure. Positions in audiology require a professional doctorate, the Au.D., or a scholarly Ph.D. Employment opportunities for fully qualified speech-language pathologists and audiologists exist in birth-to-three programs, public schools, medical centers, nursing homes, and private practices. The profession is a growing one with excellent opportunities for future employment.

A bachelor’s degree in Communication Sciences and Disorders prepares students for a wide variety of careers, some of which require a graduate degree and some of which do not. Students can prepare to work as speech-language pathology assistants (SLPAs), audiology assistants, or in other fields such as education, psychology, linguistics, cognitive science, or medicine.

### PLAN OF STUDY A MODEL CURRICULUM IN COMMUNICATION SCIENCES AND DISORDERS

| First Year  | Credits |        |
|---|---------|--------|
|   | Fall    | Spring |
| LING 080 Introduction to Linguistics<br>or CSD 023 Linguistics for Clinicians | 3       |        |

|   |    |       |
|---|----|-------|
| CSD 094 Dev of Spoken Language          | 3  |       |
| PSYS 001 Intro to Psychological Science | 3  |       |
| NH 050 App to Hlth: From Pers to Syst   | 1  |       |
| Elective/Distribution/Minor/Diversity   | 6  | 6     |
| Physical Science Course <sup>1</sup>    |    | 3-4   |
| CSD 020 Intro to Disordered Comm        |    | 3     |
| ENGS 001 Written Expression             |    | 3     |
| Year Total:                             | 16 | 15-16 |

| Sophomore   | Credits |        |
|---|---------|--------|
|   | Fall    | Spring |
| CSD 101 Speech & Hearing Science  | 4       |        |
| NH 120 Health Care Ethics   | 3       |        |
| Elective/Distribution/Minor/Diversity   | 3       | 3      |
| ANPS 019 Ugr Hum Anatomy & Physiology<br>or BIOL 004 (offered in spring)                        | 4       |        |
| PSYS 150 Developmental Psych: Childhood   | 3       |        |
| BIOL 004 The Human Body<br>or ANPS 019 (offered in fall)  |         | 3      |
| Human Biology Lab (recommended)   |         | 0-1    |
| CSD 199 Clin Intro to Audiology & SLP (Clinical Intro to Audiology & Speech Language Pathology) |         | 3      |
| CSD 022 Introduction to Phonetics<br>or LING 165 Phonetic Theory and Practice                   |         | 3      |
| STAT 111 Elements of Statistics<br>or STAT 141 Basic Statistical Methods                        |         | 3      |
| Year Total:   | 17      | 15-16  |

| Junior   | Credits |        |
|--|---------|--------|
|  | Fall    | Spring |
| LING 081 Structure of English Language<br>or LING 166 Introduction to Syntax | 3       |        |
| CSD 271 Introduction to Audiology  | 3       |        |
| CSD 262 Measurement of Comm Processes (can be taken in either semester)      | 4       | 4      |
| Elective/Distribution/Minor/Diversity  | 6       | 6      |
| CSD 208 Cognition & Language   |         | 3      |

|  |                |               |
|--|----------------|---------------|
| CSD 272 Hearing Rehabilitation   |                | 3             |
| or Elective/Distribution/Minor/Diversity   |                |               |
| Year Total:  | 16             | 16            |
| <b>Senior</b>  |                |               |
|  | <b>Credits</b> |               |
|  | <b>Fall</b>    | <b>Spring</b> |
| CSD 281 Intro Cognitive Neuroscience   | 3              |               |
| Recommended for Fall:  | 3              |               |
| CSD 295 Advanced Special Topics<br>or CSD 287 D2: Mindfulness & Helping Skills   |                |               |
| Elective/Distribution/Minor/Diversity  | 9              | 9             |
| Recommended for Spring:  |                | 3             |
| CSD 274 D2: Culture of Disability<br>or CSD 287 D2: Mindfulness & Helping Skills<br>or CSD 299 Autism Spect Dis: Assess & Interv<br>or CSD 295 Advanced Special Topics |                |               |
| Year Total:  | 15             | 12            |
| Total Credits in Sequence: 122-124   |                |               |

<sup>1</sup> Physical Science course optimally should be any course with the subject prefix of CHEM or PHYS.

Minimum of 120 semester credit hours including 6 credit hours of diversity courses and a GPA of 2.5 is required for graduation

Distribution courses include the following: Fine Arts (3 credits); Foreign Language (6-8 credits); Literature (3 credits); Humanities (6 credits)

University minor required

Must meet University sustainability requirement prior to graduation

Minors, concentrations, or majors: cannot count both CSD 022 and LING 165; cannot count both CSD 023 and LING 080. (You may only count one toward the required course work)