

COMMUNICATION SCIENCES & DISORDERS MAJOR

To be a speech-language pathologist, a master's degree in speech language pathology is required for certification and state licensure.

Graduate speech language pathology programs have varying requirements. Students should check their targeted graduate programs early on to determine those graduate programs' admission requirements and plan accordingly.

Learning Goals and Objectives

Goal 1: Identify linguistic, cognitive, affective, and social aspects of communication.

Outcome 1: Summarize research about linguistics or communication disorders.

Goal 2: Compare and contrast typical and atypical communication and swallowing development across the lifespan.

Outcome 2: Describe normative data concerning first language acquisition. or present a case study of a person with a communication or swallowing disorder.

Goal 3: Apply the foundational principles of biological and physical science to describe communication and swallowing systems.

Outcome 3: Conduct and interpret an oral motor examination, use acoustic analysis software to measure the basic properties of a person's voice, or conduct a hearing screening.

Goal 4: Identify linguistic and cultural diversity among speakers and critically assess its implications for assessment and intervention.

Outcome 4: Explain linguistic features of varieties of English.

Requirements

The traditional undergraduate programs includes a minimum of 120 credits distributed across three components: A General Education component divided into Signature Courses, Variable Courses, and an Integrative Learning requirement; a Major and Divisional component; and Free Electives. In addition to course requirements as specified in each area, students must complete one certified course in each of the following overlay areas¹:

1. Diversity, Globalization or Non-western Area Studies,
2. Ethics Intensive
3. Writing Intensive, and
4. Diversity

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Overlay requirements are part of the 120 credit requirements

General Education Signature Courses

See this page about Signature courses (<https://academiccatalog.sju.edu/curricula/#signature>).

General Education Variable Courses

See this page about Variable courses (<https://academiccatalog.sju.edu/curricula/#variable>). Six to Nine courses

Code	Title	Hours
Natural Science:		
BIO 101 & 101L	Bio I: Cells and Bio I: Cells Lab	4

General Education Overlays

See this page about Overlays (<https://academiccatalog.sju.edu/curricula/#overlay>).

General Education Integrative Learning Component

See this page about Integrative Learning Component (<https://academiccatalog.sju.edu/curricula/#integrative-learning>). Three courses:

Code	Title	Hours
PHY 101 or CHM 120	General Physics I General Chemistry I	3
MAT 118	Introduction to Statistics	3
PSY 120 or PSY 231	Lifespan Development Developmental Psychology	3
Total Hours		9

Major Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
CSD majors are required to take BIO 101 and BIO 101L as their GEP natural science requirement.		
LIN 101	Language and Communication	3
LIN 203	English Grammar	3
LIN 210	Speech and Hearing Sciences	3
LIN 211	Speech Development & Disorders	3
LIN 212	Tour of the Brain	3
LIN 281	First Language Acquisition	3
LIN 318 or PSY 229	Psycholinguistics Psycholinguistics	3
LIN 320	Phonetics	3
LIN 321	Intro: Communication Disorders	3
LIN 322	Intro to Audiology	3
LIN 323	Anatomy&Phys of Speech&Hearing	3
LIN 420 or HSC 331 or SOC 312 or PSY 210	SLP/AuD Research Methods Health Sciences Research Research Methods Research Methods	3
25 SLP observation hours are also required		
Total Hours		36