Admission Requirements

• Hold an undergraduate major in speech-language pathology or completed post-baccalaureate in speech-language pathology.

• Complete requirements for admission and send to Graduate School:
  • University of Akron Graduate School application with intent to major in speech-language pathology.
  • CSDCAS application which includes: official transcript with fall term grades included, three letters of recommendation, GRE scores, resume, and statement of purpose.

• Participation in group interview (for invited students only).

• Graduate Assistantship - use Apply Online check box (no additional application required).

Applications for admission are accepted and considered only once per year for the Fall term. Admission is competitive.

Applications for admission for the following academic year should be received by December 15.

Degree Requirements

The master's thesis is optional for students in speech-language pathology. All students will successfully complete a course of study with a minimum of 64 credits. Academic requirements within the school for speech-language pathology majors:

First Year Fall Semester

• 7700:540 Augmentative Communication (3 credits)
• 7700:623 Support Systems for Individuals & Families with Communicative Disorders (2 credits)
• 7700:628 Topics in Differential Diagnosis of Speech & Language Disorders (2 credits)
• 7700:631 Cognitive Communicative Issues in Special Language (3 credits)
• 7700:650 Advanced Clinical Practicum: Speech-Language Pathology (3 credits)

First Year Spring Semester

• 7700:620 Articulation/Phonology (2 credits)
• 7700:624 Neurogenic Speech & Language Disorders (3 credits)
• 7700:626 Voice & Cleft Palate (3 credits)
• 7700:632 Dysphagia (3 credits)
• 7700:650 Advanced Clinical Practicum: Speech-Language Pathology (3 credits)

First Year Summer Semester

• 7700:561 Organization & Administration: Public School Speech-Language & Hearing Programs (2 credits)
• 7700:590 Workshop: Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology (2 credits)
• 7700:627 Stuttering: Theories & Therapies (2 credits)
• 7700:633 Professional Issues (2 credits)

Second Year Fall Semester

• 7700:611 Research Methods in Communicative Disorders I (3 credits)
• 7700:630 Clinical Issues in Child Language (4 credits)
• 7700:695 Externship: Speech Language Pathology (4-6 credits)
  • 7700:693 School-based Externship: Speech Language Pathology (6 credits)
  • 7700:696 Externship Seminar (1 credit)
  • 7700:691 School-based Externship Seminar (1 credit)

Second Year Spring Semester

• 7700:585 Developmental Disabilities (2 credits)
• 7700:639 Audiology for the Speech-Language Pathologist (3 credits)
• 7700:695 Externship: Speech Language Pathology (4-6 credits)
  • 7700:693 School-based Externship: Speech Language Pathology (6 credits)
  • 7700:696 Externship Seminar (1 credit)
  • 7700:691 School-based Externship Seminar (1 credit)

Students must be registered for clinical practicum, medical externship, or school-based externship during any academic period in which they treat or evaluate clients under the supervision of a qualified speech-language pathologist.