

COMMUNICATION SCIENCES AND DISORDERS

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Degrees

BA–Communication Sciences and Disorders (<https://catalog.ewu.edu/hs/communication-disorders/communication-disorders-ba/>)

MS–Communication Sciences and Disorders (<https://catalog.ewu.edu/hs/communication-disorders/communication-disorders-ms/>)

PB–Communication Sciences & Disorders (<https://catalog.ewu.edu/hs/communication-disorders/communication-disorders-pb/>)

Required courses in these programs of study may have prerequisites. Reference the course description section for clarification.

Employment Opportunities

As of March 2026, the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, *Occupational Outlook, Speech-Language Pathologists*, projects from 2024 to 2034 that employment in this field will grow 15 percent.

Speech-Language Pathologists are employed in a variety of settings across the health span (infants, toddlers, school age children, and adults). Employment opportunities include public schools, hospitals and outpatient clinics, private clinics, skilled nursing facilities, early intervention centers, and others.

Admission Information for High School Students

No specific courses are required. High school students may find it useful to take computer coursework, four years of English, and any available speech, behavioral science, and natural science courses.

General Admissions Requirements for Undergraduate Students

A minimum GPA ≥ 2.75 is required for admission to and retention in the undergraduate program. Students wishing to major in communication sciences and disorders must meet and maintain the minimum GPA requirement, complete a department application form and pay the application fee and then be accepted into the program. Review the department website (<https://www.ewu.edu/chsph/communication-sciences-disorders/>) for the checklist of pre-requisite courses.

Admissions Information for Pre-Major Students

Freshman and sophomore students must complete their BACRs, university proficiencies, and courses offered by other departments in support of the major prior to enrollment in the required Communication Sciences and Disorders courses within the major. In addition, students must complete coursework reflecting knowledge in the biological sciences, physical sciences, statistics, and social/behavioral sciences prior to beginning the program. Acceptable courses in biological sciences should emphasize a content area related to human or animal sciences. Acceptable courses in physical sciences should include physics or chemistry. Acceptable courses in social/behavioral sciences should include psychology, sociology, anthropology, gerontology, or public health. Students must earn a grade of $\geq C-$ in each of the supporting courses. Research methodology courses in communication sciences and disorders (CSD) may not be used to satisfy the statistics requirement. Entering the program prepared is imperative as the Communication Sciences and Disorders undergraduate program is on a semester schedule while the majority of the university is on a quarter schedule.

Admissions Information for Transfer Students

Transfer students must satisfy the BACRs and university competencies with equivalent coursework. The transfer student must demonstrate knowledge of the biological sciences, physical sciences, statistics, and the social/behavioral sciences. Acceptable courses in biological sciences should emphasize a content area related to human or animal sciences. Acceptable courses in physical sciences should include physics or chemistry. Acceptable courses in social/behavioral sciences should include psychology, sociology, anthropology, or public health.

EWU participates in transfer agreements with community colleges in Washington state and select Idaho and Montana community colleges. Graduates of these colleges who complete a direct-transfer associate degree are admitted to Eastern with junior standing and will have satisfied Eastern's lower

division general education requirements. In addition, to earn a Bachelor's degree from EWU, students will need to have taken one course in Global Studies and one course in Diversity (review University Graduation Requirements in the catalog). If there are any questions or concerns the student should consult with Communication Sciences and Disorders faculty to plan their program.

World Language Requirement for Communication Sciences and Disorders

A world language is required by Eastern Washington University for a Bachelor of Arts (BA) degree. To fulfill this requirement, two years of a single world language in high school or one year of a single world language at the college level is required. American Sign Language (ASL 101, ASL 102, ASL 103) is an excellent world language option for an individual majoring in Communication Sciences and Disorders. It should be noted that ASL courses are taught on a quarter academic schedule, so these courses should be taken prior to declaring Communication Sciences and Disorders as a major.

Policy Regarding Student Progress within the Major

ASHA requires that the program regularly assess each student's progress toward meeting knowledge and skills outcomes (KASA). Each course in the major has its own assessment plan with a built-in academic assistance plan for students who experience difficulty in the course.

Undergraduate Programs

Professionals practicing in Communication Sciences and Disorders are concerned with disabilities of speech, language, cognition-communication, voice and swallowing as well as hearing processes and disorders. A certified speech-language pathologist (SLP) is qualified to assess as well as plan and implement intervention programs for these disorders. A certified audiologist is qualified to provide diagnostic hearing assessment and rehabilitative services for individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing. Audiologists also work with auditory processing problems and dysfunctions related to balance.

The department has a strong clinical orientation that addresses the medical, developmental and educational issues that impact being a competent speech-language pathologist. The general goal (through the master's degree) is to provide a sound academic background and to complement that instruction with clinical knowledge and experience sufficient to equip the student to provide professional services to individuals across a spectrum of communication disorders in a variety of employment settings. The baccalaureate degree is considered pre-professional. The master's degree is required for licensure at the state and certification at the national level. Upon earning the master's degree employment opportunities may include schools, clinics, hospitals, private practice and community agencies. However, the majority of the positions are in the public schools. The employment outlook for graduates remains excellent. It should be noted that Communication Sciences and Disorders is a speech-language pathology program only. To meet the requirements to become an audiologist, the student must earn a minimum of a clinical doctorate degree in audiology from an accredited program.

The Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders is located at the Catalyst Building in Spokane. All programs (undergraduate and graduate) are on a semester schedule.

The undergraduate Communication Sciences and Disorders program is designed to begin in the junior year following completion of the University Proficiencies and Breadth Area Core Requirements (BACRs). Upon earning the bachelor's degree, the student would then apply for graduate study. Individuals earning a bachelor's degree in another field can prepare for graduate training in communication disorders by first completing a post-baccalaureate year of selected junior and senior level courses in the department (review the separate section in this catalog entitled Pre-Professional Programs). Supervised clinical practicum is reserved for the graduate level.

Prior to entering the major, students must have completed coursework in of the biological sciences, physical sciences, statistics, and the social/behavioral sciences. Acceptable courses in biological sciences should emphasize a content area related to human or animal sciences. Acceptable courses in physical sciences should include physics or chemistry. Acceptable courses in social/behavioral sciences should include psychology, sociology, or anthropology. This coursework is a requirement for professional certification.

Time to Completion of the Program

Most students complete the undergraduate curriculum in Communication Sciences and Disorders within four (4) semesters (i.e., fall, spring, fall, spring).

Graduate Program

The Master of Science degree is designed to equip the student with the academic and clinical skills required to function as a competent professional in the field of communication sciences and disorders. The master's graduate is qualified to provide clinical services to a wide range of communication disordered children and adults in a variety of professional settings. Upon completion of the graduate program, the student will have met all requirements for the Certificate of Clinical Competence in Speech-Language Pathology (CCC-SLP) with the exception of the Speech-Language Pathology Clinical Fellowship (SLPCF). The student must also pass a national examination in speech-language pathology (PRAXIS); most students take and pass the exam prior to earning the master's degree.

The graduate curriculum includes exposure to science and research areas as well as to clinical disorders and related practice. The undergraduate and graduate curricula are administered on a semester academic schedule.

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Admission Requirements/Preparation

Admission to the master's program includes the requirements of the graduate school as well as letters of recommendation, written responses to specific questions on within the application, and an application fee. The program utilizes a central application system. Application and supporting materials are to be submitted to the CSDCAS program (<https://csdcas.liaisoncas.com/applicant-ux/#/login>), a separate application is to be submitted to the EWU Graduate Program office. All application materials must be received by the beginning of January prior to the fall academic term of enrollment. Students entering the program must have completed an undergraduate major in communication sciences and disorders. Students with an undergraduate major in any other field must complete a post-baccalaureate year of required communication disorders courses prior to applying to the graduate program (review the separate section of this catalog entitled Pre-Professional Programs). Students must have completed coursework in of the biological sciences, physical sciences, statistics, and the social/behavioral sciences. Acceptable courses in biological sciences should emphasize a content area related to human or animal sciences. Acceptable courses in physical sciences should include physics or chemistry. Acceptable courses in social/behavioral sciences should include psychology, sociology, or anthropology. This coursework is a requirement for professional certification.

Course selections made by the student and a departmental faculty advisor can be individually tailored to the student's professional goals. Course selection is guided by the knowledge and skills outcomes of the certification standards for the CCC-SLP as set forth by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA).

According to current ASHA certification standards, it is expected that candidates for the master's degree will have accumulated a minimum of 400 clock hours of clinical practicum with 25 hours spent in observation and 375 hours spent in direct client/patient contact. At least 325 of the 400 hours must be completed at the graduate level. This is accomplished by completing clinical practicum experiences (CMSD 570S, CMSD 571S, CMSD 572S, and CMSD 573S) and taking one required semester of CMSD 697S. Completion of the Master's degree and clinical experience qualifies the student for Washington state licensure in Speech-Language Pathology and makes that individual eligible for the CCC-SLP upon completion of the SLPCF and upon passing the national examination (referred to as the PRAXIS exam).

Students who intend to be employed in the public schools of this state must meet Washington state educational certification requirements, which include one (1) course (SLP In The Schools) and a Clinical Field Experience in the schools.

Research Requirement

All graduate students must complete a research project of some type (i.e., either thesis or non-thesis). The selection of a research option and research advisor typically occurs during the first semester of graduate study. Only those students who show excellent aptitude in research and scientific writing are given the thesis option. A thesis is intended to be an empirical study that is formal and rigorous. The non-thesis option includes any type of research (e.g., case study, empirical study, survey, etc.) deemed appropriate by the student's research advisor.

Students develop a research idea in coordination with their research advisor while simultaneously enrolled in CMSD 520S and CMSD 600S or CMSD 620S. During the spring semester of the first year of study, the student and research advisor further refine the research idea and submit the proper paperwork to the Institutional Review Board, if required. The fall and spring semesters of the second year of study are used to complete and defend the research. Students who have been granted permission to conduct a thesis will enroll in 2 semester credits of CMSD 600S during the spring semester of their first year of study, and 2 semester credits of CMSD 600S during each of the fall and spring semesters of their second year of study, for a total of 6 semester credits of research. Students who conduct a non-thesis research project will enroll in CMSD 620S 2 semester credits during the spring semester of the first year of study, CMSD 621S 2 semester credits during the fall semester and CMSD 622S 2 semester credits during the spring semester of their second year of study, for a total of 6 semester credits of research.

Two CMSD faculty members form the student's research committee (the chair of the committee is the student's research advisor). The research advisor should be a CMSD faculty member who holds graduate faculty status. The third member for the research defense may be selected by the department or the student and must be approved by the student's committee chair (review Graduate Programs Academic Policies for more information).

Toward the end of their graduate program, students orally defend their research project in the presence of their committee members and other interested parties. Students who complete a thesis will make a formal presentation in front of an audience and will entertain questions from their committee members and other interested parties. Students who complete a non-thesis project will develop a poster that will be put on display. Students will present their projects and entertain questions from their committee members and other interested parties. The research defense will take place during a designated Research Day that will typically take place during the latter half of the spring semester each year. In some instances, two or more Research Days may be designated; the student will only have to defend his or her research at one of these scheduled Research Days.

At the defense, the student's research committee makes a decision as to whether or not the research project is successfully completed. If the research project is judged as not being successfully completed, the committee indicates what additional work must be accomplished and whether another defense will be necessary. If the research project is judged as complete and satisfactorily defended, a grade is assigned to the thesis or non-thesis research project.

Policy Regarding Student Progress

Following EWU Graduate Programs Policy, students must maintain an overall cumulative grade point average ≥ 3.00 to be retained in the program and to graduate with the MS degree. No program requirements can be satisfied with a course grade $< C$ (exclusive of practicum courses). Additionally, only

two courses in a student's degree program may be graded <B-. Earning a grade <C for any given course will require that the student repeat the course. If the course is a prerequisite for a higher-level course, the student will not be allowed to enroll in the higher-level course until a grade ≥C has been earned in the prerequisite course. Additionally, ASHA requires that the program regularly assess each student's progress toward meeting knowledge and skills outcomes (KASA). Each graduate course has its own assessment plan with a built-in academic assistance plan for students who experience difficulty in the course.

Time to Completion of the Program

Most students complete the graduate curriculum in Communication Sciences and Disorders within five (5) semesters (i.e., fall, spring, summer, fall, spring). Some students may not complete the program within five semesters; these individuals typically have unfinished research and/or clinical practicum requirements that cause them to not complete the program within the typical time frame. If accepted for graduate study, students who enter the program with bachelor's degrees outside the discipline can expect to complete their studies within seven (7) semesters (one year or two semesters of post-baccalaureate study and five semesters of graduate study).

Program Accreditation and Professional Certification

The graduate program in speech-language pathology is accredited by the Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology (CAA). The current period of accreditation is September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2027. Check the department website for further information. Additional information related to accreditation (e.g., graduate employment rates, national exam pass rates, program completion rates, student assistance plan, etc.) can be found on the department's website (<https://www.ewu.edu/chsph/communication-sciences-disorders/>). Completion of the undergraduate curriculum and the Master of Science degree will allow the student to satisfy most of the requirements for the Certificate of Clinical Competence in Speech-Language Pathology (CCC-SLP) issued by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA). The student must also pass a national examination and successfully complete a Speech-Language Pathology Clinical Fellowship (SLPCF) as prerequisites for earning the CCC-SLP.

Communication Sciences and Disorders Courses

Semester-based courses.

CMSD 301S. INTRODUCTION TO SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY. 3 Credits.

Provides an overview of speech, hearing and language development, disorders and remediation for students who may have an interest in this discipline as a career choice.

CMSD 304S. PHONETICS. 3 Credits.

This course examines the motor and acoustic aspects of speech production, description, and classification of English phonemes, and broad transcription using the International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA).

CMSD 320S. SPEECH AND HEARING SCIENCES. 3 Credits.

Pre-requisites: completion of Natural Science BACRs or permission of the instructor.
A study of acoustics and psychoacoustics of speech and hearing.

CMSD 321S. ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY OF SPEECH PRODUCTION. 3 Credits.

Pre-requisites: completion of Natural Science BACRs or permission of the instructor.

This course is a study of anatomy, physiology and physics as related to speech and voice production.

CMSD 331S. LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT. 3 Credits.

Pre-requisites: admission to the Communication Sciences Disorder program.

Examines the basic principles and sequences of language development; methods of observing, measuring, and describing children's acquisition of language.

CMSD 357S. LANGUAGE IMPAIRMENT. 3 Credits.

Pre-requisites: CMSD 301S, CMSD 331S or permission of the instructor.

This course addresses the measurement as well as analysis of developing language as well as etiology, assessment and intervention for developmental language disorders.

CMSD 358S. SPEECH SOUND DISORDERS. 3 Credits.

Pre-requisites: CMSD 301S and CMSD 304S or permission of the instructor.

Describes normal phonological and articulatory development as well as the etiology, assessment, and intervention of articulation and phonological disorders.

CMSD 371S. HEARING AND HEARING DISORDERS. 3 Credits.

Pre-requisites: admission to the Communication and Sciences Disorders Program.

This course is a study of aural anatomy and physiology, as well as audiometry principles and practices. It focuses on etiology, pathology, assessment, and treatment of hearing impairment.

CMSD 400S. FOUNDATIONS OF PUBLIC HEALTH. 3 Credits.

Cross-listed: HSCI 400S, DNHY 400S.

Pre-requisites: acceptance into Communication Sciences, Dental Hygiene, or Health Science programs.

This course introduces students to the fundamentals of public health. A particular focus is on the determinants of health, health inequalities, and cultural issues in public health.

CMSD 402S. CURRENT ISSUES IN THE HEALTH ARENA. 3 Credits.

Cross-listed: HSCI 402S, DNHY 402S.

Pre-requisites: acceptance into Communication Sciences, Dental Hygiene, or Health Science programs.

This course is designed to respond to the changing health environment and identifies current topics and issues as discussion foci.

CMSD 422S. NEUROANATOMY. 3 Credits.

Pre-requisites: CMSD 321S.

This course is a study of the normal anatomy and physiology of the nervous system and its role in communication processes.

CMSD 437S. PROFESSIONAL ISSUES IN SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY. 3 Credits.

Pre-requisites: admission to the Communication and Sciences Disorders Program.

This course addresses the roles and responsibilities of speech-language pathologists and speech-language pathology assistants across employment settings. Foci include client rights, professional and ethical behaviors, and scopes of practice as specified by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA).

CMSD 441S. ASSESSMENT OF SPEECH AND LANGUAGE. 3 Credits.

Pre-requisites: CMSD 301S, CMSD 304S, CMSD 331S, CMSD 357S, CMSD 358S.

Addresses the principles and techniques for assessing communication disorders, including formal and informal assessment methods, practical experience in test administration, theoretical and ethical issues, and the relationship of assessment to treatment.

CMSD 442S. INTERVENTION FOR SPEECH AND LANGUAGE DISORDERS. 3 Credits.

Pre-requisites: senior standing or permission of instructor.

Addresses the development of intervention plans, including intervention strategies and rationale, construction of daily therapy plans, methods for data collection, and interpretation and evaluation of therapy outcomes.

CMSD 450S. LANGUAGE AND LITERACY. 3 Credits.

Pre-requisites: CMSD 331S.

Building upon CMSD 331S, this course examines the relationship between early language development and later development of literacy skills. Issues related to language disorders and concomitant deficiencies in literacy acquisition are discussed.

CMSD 451S. NEUROGENIC COMMUNICATION DISORDERS. 3 Credits.

Pre-requisites: CMSD 422S or permission of the instructor.

This course provides an introduction to the etiology, assessment and intervention of communication disorders associated with neurological disorders.

CMSD 453S. SERVICE LEARNING I FOR COMMUNICATION SCIENCES AND DISORDERS. 1 Credit.

Notes: graded Pass/Fail.

Pre-requisites: permission of the instructor.

Provides an overview of service learning in the field of communication sciences and disorders. Students examine and apply knowledge of service learning through critical reflection and discussion of experiences in the community to which they are assigned.

CMSD 454S. SERVICE LEARNING II FOR COMMUNICATION SCIENCES AND DISORDERS. 1 Credit.

Notes: graded Pass/Fail.

Pre-requisites: CMSD 331S.

Provides an overview of service learning in the field of communication sciences and disorders. Students examine and apply knowledge of service learning through critical reflection and discussion of experiences in the community to which they are assigned.

CMSD 461S. CLINICAL METHODS. 3 Credits.

Pre-requisites: senior standing or permission of the instructor.

Students observe communication disorders assessment and intervention. Students are introduced to the essential ingredients of good therapy. Skills are introduced and discussed in a classroom setting and reinforced through guided observation of speech-language and audiological assessment and intervention services within a clinical setting.

CMSD 466S. MULTICULTURAL CONSIDERATIONS IN COMMUNICATION SCIENCES AND DISORDERS. 3 Credits.

Pre-requisites: CMSD 441S.

Addresses overarching principles regarding the impact of culture on communication. Content includes general information regarding speech-language development and disorders across cultural groups, as well as sociocultural influences on communication, assessment, and intervention practices for individuals with communication disorders.

CMSD 470S. INTRODUCTION TO AUGMENTATIVE AND ALTERNATIVE COMMUNICATION. 3 Credits.

Pre-requisites: CMSD 331S and CMSD 357S.

An intro to augmentative and alternative communication systems for individuals with complex communication needs. Focuses on assessment, interventions, and instructional strategies for children and adults with moderate to severe congenital or acquired disorders in speech and language. In-depth study of clinically relevant topics and evidenced base practice are utilized to facilitate an understanding of historical perspectives and current issues related to AAC.

CMSD 473S. AURAL REHABILITATION. 2 Credits.

Pre-requisites: CMSD 371S or permission of the instructor.

This course introduces students to the theories and procedures used to provide aural rehabilitation and habilitation to children and adults who have hearing loss, and their family members.

CMSD 480S. INTRODUCTION TO RESEARCH IN COMMUNICATION DISORDERS. 3 Credits.

Pre-requisites: senior standing.

This course provides an overview of research methodology in the field of communication disorders. It is designed to familiarize the student with basic elements of reading, understanding, and evaluating research. The student learns about the scientific method, the difference between basic and applied research, and important terms used in the research process.

CMSD 483S. CLINICAL PARTNERSHIP. 1 Credit.

Pre-requisites: permission of the instructor.

This course allows opportunities for undergraduates to interact with graduate student mentors in clinical opportunities.

CMSD 487S. PRINCIPLES AND POLICIES OF HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT. 3 Credits.

Cross-listed: DNHY 487S, HSCI 487S.

Pre-requisites: acceptance into Communication Sciences, Dental Hygiene, or Health Science programs.

Management and policy creation for healthcare programs and businesses, specific disciplines in healthcare are discussed according to student needs.

CMSD 488S. RELATIONSHIP, ETHICS AND COMMUNICATION IN HEALTHCARE. 3 Credits.

Cross-listed: DNHY 488S, HSCI 488S.

Pre-requisites: acceptance into Communication Sciences, Dental Hygiene, or Health Science programs.

Overarching themes of cultural diversity and global perspectives are employed in the application of theories and concepts of relationship building, ethics and communication for the healthcare provider.

CMSD 490S. SENIOR CAPSTONE: PERSPECTIVES IN SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY. 3 Credits.

Pre-requisites: senior standing or permission of the instructor.

Satisfies: a university graduation requirement—senior capstone.

This course integrates knowledge students have acquired in the field of speech-language pathology and its application to issues affecting both professionals and individuals served. The course focuses on development of leadership, perspective taking, and professional presentation skills.

CMSD 495S. INTENSIVE STUTTERING INTERVENTION: SSMP. 3 Credits.

Pre-requisites: permission of the instructor, department chair and college dean.

The Successful Stuttering Management Program is an intensive clinical experience/seminar where students learn the foundation of Stuttering Modification Therapy as they work independently and collaboratively with other students and their supervisors. The Successful Stuttering Management Program is designed for adolescent and adult stutterers.

CMSD 496S. EXPERIMENTAL. 1-3 Credits.

Experimental.

CMSD 497S. WORKSHOP, SHORT COURSE, CONFERENCE, SEMINAR. 1-3 Credits.

Notes: graded Pass/Fail.

Workshop, short course, conference, seminar.

CMSD 498S. SEMINAR. 1-6 Credits.

Seminar.

CMSD 499S. DIRECTED STUDY. 1-3 Credits.

Pre-requisites: permission of the instructor, department chair and college dean.

This course is provided to allow the student to study a selected special topic within the discipline of communication disorders on an individual basis and under the direction of a program faculty member.

CMSD 520S. INTRO TO RESEARCH. 2 Credits.

Pre-requisites: graduate standing.

This course inaugurates the students research experience in the discipline. It emphasizes the importance of research to a scientific field and acquaints the student with the research literature.

CMSD 538S. ADVANCED SPEECH SOUND DISORDERS AND ACQUISITION. 2 Credits.

Pre-requisites: graduate standing or permission of the instructor.

This course involves advanced study in the theoretical background of the acquisition and development of the phonological system. The relationship between the phonological system and disorders and remediation will also be discussed.

CMSD 539S. SPECIAL TOPICS. 1-3 Credits.

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CMSD 540S. PEDIATRIC FEEDING AND SWALLOWING. 1 Credit.

Notes: One of two electives for CMSD graduate program. Of two electives, one is required; both may be taken.

Pre-requisites: graduate standing or permission of the instructor.

A study of normal and atypical swallowing and feeding in infants and children.

CMSD 541S. DYSLEXIA FOR SPEECH-LANGUAGE-PATHOLOGISTS. 1 Credit.

Notes: One of two electives for CMSD graduate program. Of two electives, one is required; both may be taken.

Provides the necessary skills and competencies to understand dyslexia, dyslexia diagnosis, dyslexia intervention, and the SLPs role in dyslexia treatment, intervention, and advocacy. Diagnose and provide skilled and evidence based intervention for dyslexia in a variety of clinical settings.

Prepares graduate students for their internships & careers by providing an understanding of dyslexia as well as tools & resources for their education in this area.

CMSD 542S. EARLY INTERVENTION FOR CHILD LANGUAGE DISORDERS. 3 Credits.

Pre-requisites: graduate standing or permission of the instructor.

Provides advanced study in communication and language development and disorders in infants, toddlers, and preschoolers by focusing on current theory, assessment, and treatment.

CMSD 543S. SCHOOL-AGE AND ADOLESCENT LANGUAGE. 3 Credits.

Pre-requisites: graduate standing or permission of the instructor.

Covers the development of language in typically developing and language impaired school aged and adolescent students. Various language disorders are discussed with the implications for assessment and intervention.

CMSD 545S. AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER. 2 Credits.

Pre-requisites: CMSD 542S.

An overview and discussion of the characteristics, causes, assessment, and intervention for persons with autism spectrum disorder (ASD).

CMSD 547S. AUGMENTATIVE COMMUNICATION. 3 Credits.

Pre-requisites: graduate standing or permission of the instructor.

An in-depth study of the use of augmentative and alternative methods of communication for persons with severe speech and/or language impairments.

CMSD 550S. SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY IN THE SCHOOLS. 1 Credit.

Pre-requisites: graduate standing or permission of the instructor.

This course provides the minimum required credit hours of coursework related to laws, policy, and ethical issues involved in providing speech-language therapy services within the public education setting; helps prepare students for public school practicum; and fulfills partial requirements for educational staff associates (ESA) certification.

CMSD 552S. NEUROGENIC DISORDERS OF LANGUAGE AND COGNITION I. 2 Credits.

Pre-requisites: graduate standing or permission of the instructor.

This is the first of a two-part series on assessing and treating acquired neurogenic disorders of language and cognition. In this course, students will gain knowledge and skills building toward competency in assessing and treating the acquired disorders of language: aphasia, primary progressive aphasia, alexia, and agraphia.

CMSD 553S. VOICE AND RESONANCE. 2 Credits.

Pre-requisites: graduate standing or permission of the instructor.

Provides information regarding the etiology and characteristics of disorders of the laryngeal and resonance systems. Assessment and treatment of loudness, pitch, vocal, and resonance problems are presented.

CMSD 554S. MOTOR SPEECH DISORDERS. 3 Credits.

Develops an understanding of the anatomy and physiology of speech production, and assessment and treatment methods for motor speech disorders. Differential diagnoses are stressed in discussion of etiology and basic characteristics of motor speech disorders.

CMSD 556S. FLUENCY DISORDERS. 2 Credits.

Pre-requisites: graduate standing or permission of the instructor.

An advanced study of current theories, issues, problems, and treatment approaches in the area of stuttering.

CMSD 558S. NEUROGENIC DISORDERS OF LANGUAGE AND COGNITION II. 2 Credits.

Pre-requisites: graduate standing or permission of instructor.

This is the second of a two-part series on assessing and treating acquired neurogenic disorders of language and cognition. In this course, students gain knowledge and skills building toward competency in assessing and treating attention, memory, executive functioning, and social communication in people affected by brain injury, right hemisphere damage, concussion, mild cognitive impairment, and dementia.

CMSD 559S. DYSPHAGIA. 3 Credits.

Pre-requisites: CMSD 552S strongly recommended.

Presents the anatomy and physiology of swallowing as well as the evaluation and treatment of swallowing disorders.

CMSD 560S. CLINICAL PREPARATION FOR SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS. 2 Credits.

Pre-requisites: must be admitted to grad program.

Designed to prepare students for their first clinic experience in speech-language pathology.

CMSD 561S. CLINICAL PRACTICUM. 2-6 Credits.

Notes: may be repeated for credit with permission of instructor up to 8 semester credits.

This course provides students with practical clinical experience working with children and adults who present with various speech, language, hearing and swallowing disorders.

CMSD 563S. SPECIAL CLINICAL PRACTICUM. 1-2 Credits.

Notes: may be repeated with permission of instructor up to 6 semester credits.

This course provides students with practical clinical experience working with children and adults who present with various speech, language, hearing and swallowing disorders.

CMSD 564S. CLINICAL SIMULATIONS I. 2 Credits.

This course provides graduate students with up to 75 supervised clinical practice hours using simulation technology.

CMSD 565S. CLINICAL SIMULATIONS II. 2 Credits.

Pre-requisites: CMSD 564S.

This course provides graduate students with up to 75 supervised clinical practice hours using simulation technology.

CMSD 568S. ADVANCED ASSESSMENT: PRINCIPLES AND PROCEDURES. 3 Credits.

Pre-requisites: graduate standing.

This course is designed to facilitate the ability to gather, analyze and synthesize critical case information and make differential diagnoses of communication disorders. It includes independent problem-solving, consideration of diverse perspectives, development of treatment objectives from data and the writing of clinical reports.

CMSD 570S. CLINIC I. 3 Credits.

Notes: may be repeated for credit with permission of the instructor up to 8 semester credits.

Provides practical clinical experience working with children and adults who present with various speech, language, hearing, and swallowing disorders.

CMSD 571S. CLINIC II. 4 Credits.

Notes: may be repeated for credit with permission of the instructor up to 8 semester credits.

Pre-requisites: CMSD 570S.

Provides practical clinical experience working with children and adults who present with various speech, language, hearing, and swallowing disorders.

CMSD 572S. CLINIC III. 3 Credits.

Notes: may be repeated for credit with permission of the instructor up to 8 semester credits.

Pre-requisites: CMSD 570S, CMSD 571S.

Provides practical clinical experience working with children and adults who present with various speech, language, hearing, and swallowing disorders.

CMSD 573S. CLINIC IV. 2-6 Credits.

Notes: graded Pass/No Credit; may be repeated for credit with permission of instructor.

Pre-requisites: CMSD 570S, CMSD 571S, CMSD 572S.

An extension of clinical skills into both off- and/or on-campus clinical experiences, including practicum. Students apply theoretical concepts to evaluation, treatment planning, and therapy services for communicatively disordered children and adults in community settings.

CMSD 596S. EXPERIMENTAL. 1-3 Credits.

Experimental.

CMSD 597S. WORKSHOP, SHORT COURSE, CONFERENCE, SEMINAR. 1-3 Credits.

Notes: only one workshop course for up to 3 credits may be used to fulfill graduate degree requirements.

Workshop

CMSD 598S. SEMINAR. 1-3 Credits.

Pre-requisites: graduate standing or permission of the instructor.

This course provides graduate level instruction in a specific content area in communication disorders utilizing a seminar format.

CMSD 599S. INDEPENDENT STUDY. 1-4 Credits.

Pre-requisites: permission of the instructor, department chair and college dean.

This course allows the student to engage in an independent study project in a selected field of communication disorders.

CMSD 600S. THESIS. 1-8 Credits.

Pre-requisites: permission of the instructor, department chair and college dean.

Under supervision of staff members, the graduate student organizes and formally writes and presents a research project in thesis form.

CMSD 620S. RESEARCH IN COMMUNICATION DISORDERS I. 2 Credits.

Pre-requisites: CMSD 520S.

This is the first of three courses designed to prepare the student to participate in basic and/or applied research in communication disorders. For this course, students work with a faculty mentor to further refine the research idea developed in CMSD 520S. The culmination of this course is: (1) the initial development of a literature review and methodology and (2) drafting and submission of IRB forms, as appropriate.

CMSD 621S. RESEARCH IN COMMUNICATION DISORDERS II. 2 Credits.

Pre-requisites: CMSD 620S.

This is the second of three courses designed to prepare the student to participate in basic and/or applied research in communication disorders. For this course, students work with a faculty mentor to further refine the research idea developed in CMSD 620S. The culmination of this course is a complete and thorough literature review and methodology for the student's proposed research. The initial collection of data may take place under this course.

CMSD 622S. RESEARCH IN COMMUNICATION DISORDERS III. 2 Credits.

Notes: this course is repeated in subsequent semesters until the thesis or research project is completed and successfully defended.

Pre-requisites: CMSD 621S.

This is the third of three courses designed to prepare the student to participate in basic and/or applied research in communication disorders. The culmination of this course is the collection of data (if applicable) and the development of either a thesis or poster to be defended at the end of the academic term in which this course is taken.

CMSD 697S. CLINICAL FIELD EXPERIENCE. 1-10 Credits.

Notes: graded Pass/No Credit.

Pre-requisites: permission of the instructor, department chair and college dean.

This is an internship of one or more semesters of professionally supervised experience in a departmentally approved clinical setting, agency or institution. This course is typically taken as part of the Master of Science program, but can also be taken by individuals engaged in the speech-language pathology clinical fellowship (SLPCF) through the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association when sponsorship is provided by an Eastern Washington University faculty member.