

Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences (MSSLHS)

The graduate degree programs in speech, language, and hearing sciences provide training in speech/language pathology, audiology, and speech and hearing science.

Graduate Handbook

Graduate handbook information is updated and maintained by each program. Graduate handbooks are available within each program's office and [online](#). Please contact the program with concerns or questions.

Admission

Applicants to the program must meet the requirements for admission to the University given in [Admission and Registration](#); however, satisfying these minimum requirements does not guarantee admission. Each applicant's credentials are scrutinized by members of the faculty of the program. No single criterion, such as grade point average or Graduate Record Examinations (GRE) score, is given undue weight in the decision process; every attempt is made to assess the special strengths that the applicant might bring to the program.

The applicant must have an undergraduate degree from an accredited college or university and may be required to complete up to 12 semester hours of upper-division coursework in the area of the proposed graduate major for admission. Each program reserves the right to examine the applicant orally or in writing or both regarding the subject matter prerequisite to graduate courses in the major.

Licensure

Students seeking professional certification in speech/language pathology must meet coursework and clinical requirements specific to the specialization or area of study. Information about certification requirements is available from the graduate advisor.

Enrollment in clinical practicum coursework is required for eligibility for certification through the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA). Additional hours may be required by the program in order to meet ASHA guidelines.

Total Hours Required: 57

Thesis: 57

No Thesis: 57

Without Clinical Certification: 33

Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Degree		
Program Core		27
Choose a sequence below:		6
Sequence 1: Thesis		
SLH 698	Thesis	
Sequence 2: No Thesis		
Electives		
Subtotal		33

Clinical practicum hours (required for clinical certification)	24
Graduate Communication Requirements	
Graduate University Requirements	
Total Hours	57

Additional Requirements and Policy

Students have the option to seek the degree without clinical certification. Choosing this option would waive the requirement to complete clinical coursework. Students who wish to opt out of eligibility for certification may do so with approval of the graduate advisor.

To be counted toward the degree, all coursework in the major must be at the graduate or upper division level. Individual study programs must be arranged in consultation with the graduate advisor.

Professional Liability Insurance

Professional liability insurance is required of all students enrolled in off-campus clinical practicums in speech/language pathology or audiology. The insurance policy must cover the duration of the placement, beginning on or before the first day of the placement and extending through the final day of the placement.