Communication Sciences and Disorders B.S.

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Program Description

Communication Sciences and Disorders is the study of normal speech and hearing processes and their disorders. This program refers to undergraduate study that prepares individuals for graduate programs in Audiology, Education of the Deaf, and Speech-Language Pathology. This is a four-year program in which the first and second years may be completed at the University of Oklahoma, Norman campus or any accredited college or university. The third and fourth years are completed at the Health Sciences Center.

Admission Requirements

To be considered for admission, an applicant must:

- have successfully completed, or be in the process of completing a minimum of sixty-seven (67) semester hours of coursework, to include listed courses, from an accredited college or university;
- submit a completed University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center application, official transcripts from all colleges or universities attended and other specified departmental materials by March 1, for fall admission;
- have a minimum grade point average of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale on all college work attempted. *The College of Allied Health does not recognize academic forgiveness nor reprieve policies. All attempts of a course are included in the calculation of GPAs*;
- have completed all departmental prerequisite courses with grades of C or better prior to beginning the program; and
- complete the TOEFL for students whom English is a second language and must earn a minimum score of 600 (paper-based) or 100 (internet-based) within two years prior to application on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). TOEFL's web address is www.toefl.org.

Admission Prerequisites

Prerequisite courses are offered at most colleges and universities. Check the Transfer Equivalencies Database on the College of Allied Health web page (www.alliedhealth.ouhsc.edu) or your school advisor regarding equivalent courses.

Required Prerequisites and Credit Hours
2 American Federal Government (3 hrs)
College Algebra (3 hrs)
Elements of Psychology (3 hrs)
2 Foreign Language: 2 years in high school or 2 semesters in college (same language)
3 Introduction to Computers (3 hrs)
4 Intro Biol: Molecule/Cell/Phys (4 hrs)
2 Non-western Culture (3 hrs)
Physics for Non-Science Majors (4 hrs)
2 Principles of English Composition I (3 hrs)
2 Principles of English Composition II (3 hrs)
2 U.S. History (3 hrs)
2 Understanding Artistic Forms (3 hrs)
5 Understanding Statistics (3 hrs)
1 Upper Division Gen Ed Course (3 hrs)
2 Western Civilization & Culture (3 hrs)

1 is required if applicant has not completed a Bachelor's degree. It is recommended that the applicant take an upper level/division (3000 or 4000 level) non-western culture, western civilization & culture, or understanding art forms class. By taking

an upper division course in one of those categories, two prerequisites can be completed with that one class.

2 is not required for applicants that have an Associate of Science or Associate of Arts degree from an Oklahoma college. Not required for applicants that have a Bachelor's degree. Foreign Language 1st and 2nd course are waived for applicants who completed two years in the same language in high school.

3 is not required for applicants that have an Associate of Science or Associate of Arts degree from an Oklahoma college. Not required for applicants that have a Bachelor's degree. To satisfy requirement otherwise, complete a computer skills course, pass an institution assessment test, or substitute one year of high school computer courses (excluding keyboarding).

4 can be substituted with Biology I with lab (4 hours minimum) PLUS Biology II with lab (4 hours minimum)

5 It is recommended that the applicant take an equivalent course to OU course number PSY 2003. If there is not an equivalent course at your college/university for PSY 2003, it is acceptable to take an equivalent course to OU's course numbers PSY 2113, COMM 2513, or ECON 2843.

Application Procedure

1. By **March 1** of the year in which admission is sought, follow the step-by-step process for successful application on the following website: www.alliedhealth.ouhsc.edu/main/Application/default.asp.
2. A letter of acceptance, alternate status, or denial to the program is mailed the latter part of April. If notification is not received by May 1, contact the department.
3. The applicant must accept or decline the position in writing within two weeks of notification. Alternates will be selected for admission according to their ranking. Alternates may be admitted up to the first class day for the fall semester if all positions have not been filled.
4. Students accepted for admission are required to confirm their intention to enroll and attend by paying a non-refundable deposit on enrollment. The deposit is applied toward tuition and fees during the first term.

Estimated Program Costs

Please go to **www.ouhsc.edu/financialservices/SFA/OUHSCCosts.asp** to review the tuition and fees as well as additional cost information. Students may expect additional costs that include, but are not limited to, a personal computer, textbooks, lab fees, insurance, and supplies. Students are required to assume financial responsibilities for expenses associated with clinical requirements. For financial aid information, contact the Financial Aid Office by email at **financial-aid@ouhsc.edu** or by telephone at (405) 271-2118.

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