COMMUNICATION SCIENCES AND DISORDERS, CERTIFICATE

College of Health, Human Services, & Nursing
Department of Human Services

Mission and Goals Statement

The mission of the program is to provide diverse members of the community a university education that focuses on the knowledge and skills required to help those in need. The goals of the program are to provide a broad interdisciplinary background of the knowledge and skills needed to help improve the quality of life of those in need, to provide the opportunity for specialization in either target populations or methods of intervention through supervised fieldwork, to provide experience applying academic knowledge and skills in human services organizations.

Program Description

The Certificate in Communication Sciences and Disorders is a pre-professional program designed to provide students with the foundational knowledge required for advanced education and coursework. By completing this certificate, students will acquire the prerequisites necessary to pursue a graduate degree leading to a career as a Speech-Language Pathologist. Topics include speech and language development and disorders, relevant anatomy and physiology, audiology and audiometry, phonetic transcription of typical and disordered speech, and other topics as required by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association and the Commission on Teacher Credentialing in California. Students will be prepared to enter MA/MS programs in Communication Sciences and Disorders or to partially meet state licensure requirements to become a Speech-Language Pathology Assistant.

Pre-Admission Disclosure for Academic Programs Leading to Licensure or Credentialing

Admission into programs leading to licensure and credentialing does not guarantee that students will obtain a license or credential. Licensure and credentialing requirements are set by agencies that are not controlled by or affiliated with the CSU and requirements can change at any time. For example, licensure or credentialing requirements can include evidence of the right to work in the United States (e.g., social security number or taxpayer identification number) or successfully passing a criminal background check. Students are responsible for determining whether they can meet licensure or credentialing requirements. The CSU will not refund tuition, fees, or any associated costs to students who determine subsequent to admission that they cannot meet licensure or credentialing requirements. Information concerning licensure and credentialing requirements is available from the **College of Continuing and Professional Education (310) 243-3741**.

Features

The Certificate in Communication Sciences and Disorders offers classes that meet only in the evening and on Saturdays, which allows students to work full or part time and complete the prerequisite courses required for admission into a graduate program. The program affords students the opportunity to observe certified, licensed, and credentialed speech and language pathologists in clinical and school settings in the geographic area surrounding the university. The times that courses are offered accommodate students who live outside the immediate geographic area of CSUDH. Students are trained within a cohort model and are mentored throughout the certificate program.

Academic Advisement

Students may call the Program Coordinator, Raleen Miller, at ramiller@csudh.edu or at (310) 243-2424.

The website for the Program is http://www.csudh.edu/human-development/csd (http://www.csudh.edu/human-development/csd/).

Preparation

Students must hold a BA/BS in a subject area not related to Communication Sciences and Disorders from an accredited institution and have a minimum 3.0 GPA.

Requirements (36 units)

Required Courses

Code	Title	Hours
CSD 341	Communication Sciences and Disorders	3
CSD 342	Phonetics	3
CSD 343	Speech and Language Development	3
CSD 354	Anatomy and Physiology of the Speech and Swallowing Mechanism	3
CSD 355	Audiology and Audiometry	3
CSD 356	Clinical Methods and Procedures	3
CSD 441	Speech Science	3
CSD 442	Neurology and Neurogenic Disorders	3
CSD 443	Disorders of Articulation and Phonology	3
CSD 454	Childhood Language Disorders	3
CSD 455	Disorders of Voice and Fluency	3
CSD 456	Aural Rehabilitation	3
Total Hours		**36**