

MASTER OF SCIENCE Communication Disorders



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Overview

The ASHA-accredited, licensure-qualifying Graduate Program in Communication Disorders provides research-based academic and clinical preparation and fosters professional development and community service in a flexible, close-knit, affordable program that primarily serves students in the Mid-Hudson Valley Region. The Master of Science in Communication Disorders Programs prepares students who have strong undergraduate backgrounds in Communication Disorders for a wide range of career opportunities and for doctoral study. The concentration in Speech and Language Disabilities also leads to a NYS Initial Teaching Certificate as a Teacher of Students with Speech and Language Disabilities (TSSLD).

THE CONCENTRATIONS

090S Speech-Language Pathology

46 Academic Credits and 16 Practicum Credits (62 credits)

This concentration is appropriate for students who do not wish to work in the NYS schools, or who already hold the Initial Certificate - TSSLD. It leads to ASHA Certification and NYS Licensure.

090I Speech and Language Disabilities – Initial

52 Academic Credits and 16 Practicum Credits (68 credits)

This concentration is appropriate for students who are seeking the Initial Certificate, TSSLD in addition to ASHA certification and NYS Licensure.

Deadlines and Dates

The program admits students for the fall semester only. The application deadline is March 1 for the subsequent fall semester. Review of applications begins on January 15th. Other Graduate School deadlines are NOT applicable.



Application Requirements

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- One official copy of all undergraduate and graduate course work, including a baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution.
- A non-refundable application fee of \$50.00.
- An undergraduate cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher (4.0 scale).
- Official results of the GRE with satisfactory test scores.
- Three letters of recommendation.
- A typed, 400-500 Graduate Admissions Essay.
- A course in statistics with a minimum grade of C.
- At least nine courses in speech, language, and hearing at the undergraduate level with a minimum GPA of 3.0. Courses that are determined to be equivalent to the New Paltz courses listed below will be accepted. Courses must have been completed within ten (10) years prior to admission.

Specified Courses

Minimum credit hours

Anatomy & Physiology of Speech & Hearing	(3)
Audiology	(3)
Child Language Disorders	(3)
Speech and/or Hearing Science	(3)
Introduction to Communication Disorders	(3)
Language Development in Children	(3)
Observations in Communication Disorders	(2)
Phonetics	(3)
Tests & Assessment in Communication Disorders (or Diagnostics)	(3)

These courses must be completed at a regionally accredited institution within the 10 years prior to matriculation. It is possible to take prerequisite courses at New Paltz through a certificate program, Foundations in Communication Disorders. Please contact the department for more information.

Note that these are minimum grade and credit requirements, without which applications will not be considered. Actual admission decisions are based on competitive review.

In addition, students applying for the Speech Language Disabilities Program (0901) must complete the following three courses, or their equivalents:

- A course in the foundations of Education, e.g., EDS340 Sociological and Philosophical Foundations of Education. (3 credits)
- A course in child or adolescent development, e.g., EDS371 Child Psychology and Development. (3 credits)
- A course in Special Education Inclusion (e.g., SPE350)

Other required courses for ASHA certification which should be taken in advance (but may be completed during graduate study) are listed below. A minimum grade of C (2.0) is required in each course).

- a college level biological science course (3 credits)
- a college level physical science course (3 credits)
- two college level social science courses (total of 6 credits)
- a course in Aural rehabilitation (3 credits)
- a course or certificate demonstrating manual communication proficiency



NEW PALTZ -- The State University of New York at New Paltz has been chosen as the “Hottest Small State School” in the nation by the 2008 Kaplan/Newsweek “How to Get into College” Guide.



U.S. News & World Report’s 2011 America’s Best Colleges guidebook ranks NEW PALTZ 7th among the best public universities in the North with master’s degree programs.



Curriculum Requirements

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MS – Speech-Language Pathology Concentration 090S - 62 credits

Scientific and Linguistic Bases

12 Credits

- CMD500 Instrumentation for Speech Language Path...(2cr)
- CMD508 Neurophysiology of Speech...(3cr)
- CMD509 Advanced Speech Science...(3cr)
- CMD520 Augmentative Communication Systems...(2cr)
- CMD524 Foundations of Language 1...(1cr)
- CMD534 Foundations of Language 2...(1cr)

Research Methods

03 Credits

- CMD550 Research Methods in Communication Disorders...(3cr)

Speech, Language, and swallowing

24 Credits

- CMD504 Phonological Disorders...(3cr)
- CMD505 Child Language Disorders...(3cr)
- CMD507 Motor Speech Disorders...(3cr)
- CMD512 Seminar in Stuttering...(3cr)
- CMD516 Seminar in Adult Language Disorders...(3cr)
- CMD519 Swallowing Disorders...(3cr)
- CMD522 Seminar in Voice Disorders...(3cr)
- CMD525 Advanced Diagnosis Speech-Lang. Disorders...(3cr)

Professional Issues

02 credits

- CMD510 Professional Issues in Comm. Disorders...(2cr)

Professional Area Elective Coursework

05 Credits

Clinical Practicum

14-16 Credits

- CMD501 Clinical Methods in Speech-Language Path 1...(2cr)
- CMD506 Clinical Methods in Speech-Language Path 2...(2cr)
- CMD503 Practicum in Speech-Language Pathology...(10cr)
- CMD526 Diagnostic Practicum in SLP...(1cr)
- CMD570 Diagnostic Audiology Practicum ...(1cr)

MS – Speech-Language Disabilities Concentration 090I - 68 credits

Scientific and Linguistic Bases

12 Credits

- CMD500 Clinical Instrumentation for SLP...(2cr)
- CMD508 Neurophysiology of Speech...(3cr)
- CMD509 Advanced Speech Science...(3cr)
- CMD520 Augmentative Communication Systems...(2cr)
- CMD524 Foundations of Language 1...(1cr)
- CMD534 Foundations of Language 2...(1cr)

Research Methods

03 Credits

- CMD550 Research Methods in Communication Disorders...(3cr)

Speech, Language, and swallowing

26 Credits

- CMD504 Phonological Disorders...(3cr)
- CMD505 Child Language Disorders...(3cr)
- CMD507 Motor Speech Disorders...(3cr)
- CMD512 Seminar in Stuttering...(3cr)
- CMD516 Seminar in Adult Language Disorders...(3cr)
- CMD519 Swallowing Disorders...(3cr)
- CMD522 Seminar in Voice Disorders...(3cr)
- CMD525 Advanced Diagnosis Speech-Lang. Disorders...(3cr)
- CMDxxx Elective(s)...(2cr)

Education Coursework

11 credits

- CMD510 Professional Issues in Communication Disorders...(2cr)
- CMD521 Early Intervention for Speech Lang. Path...(3cr)
- CMD523 Language and Literacy Development...(3cr)
- EDS565 Teaching in Inclusive Classrooms...(3cr)

Clinical Practicum

16 Credits

- CMD501 Clinical Methods in Speech-Language Path 1...(2cr)
- CMD506 Clinical Methods in Speech-Language Path 2...(2cr)
- CMD503 Practicum in Speech-Language Pathology...(2cr)
- CMD526 Diagnostic Practicum in SLP...(1cr)
- CMD530 Practicum Speech-Lang Path in the Schools...(8cr)
- CMD570 Diagnostic Audiology Practicum...(1cr)

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Open House:

February 21, 2012
5:30 PM – 7:30 PM
Student Union Bldg.

Link to map:

http://www.newpaltz.edu/map/loc_sub.html

Tuition and Fees

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Full-time = 12 or more credits / **Part-time** = 11 credits or fewer.
Fees and health insurance are not included in total tuition amount.
For more information on Tuitions and Fees follow this Link:
http://www.newpaltz.edu/student_accounts/

Scholarships

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Graduate Opportunity Program

http://www.newpaltz.edu/graduate/graduate_scholarship_ebrochure.pdf

Sojourner Truth Diversity Fellowship

http://www.newpaltz.edu/graduate/graduate_scholarship_ebrochure.pdf

Teaching Assistant & Graduate Assistant Program

http://www.newpaltz.edu/graduate/TAGA_e-Brochure.pdf

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Students may call test centers and arrange for individual computerized testing. Scores are available within a few weeks. GRE scores are valid for five years.
www.gre.com

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Financial aid is available to matriculated graduate students who are enrolled at least half time. Graduate students usually receive Stafford loans and potentially, NYS TAP.

To qualify for Financial Aid, students must:

1. File a FASFA and submit all requested documents.
2. Be matriculated in a graduate program.
3. Be registered for at least 6 credits during the summer, fall or spring semesters.

For more information on how to apply for TAP, Stafford loans, and Alternative Loans go to <http://www.newpaltz.edu/financialaid/index.html>

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Graduate Advising

The Office of Graduate Admission Advising provides program and admissions information to prospective graduate students in person, by phone, or via e-mail. Prospective students are able to meet on a walk-in basis or by appointment with an advisor who provides individualized program and application information. The office offers convenient evening and weekend hours.

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