EDUCATION - SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY, BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

The undergraduate degree in speech-language pathology provides the fundamental, prerequisite knowledge necessary for pursuing a graduate degree. The graduate degree is the minimal requirement for employment as a speech-language pathologist in Nebraska.

Other Information
Majors in speech-language pathology must maintain an overall cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better. No courses taken on a Credit/No Credit basis will be accepted for the purpose of fulfilling any of the required content, professional, or major speech-language pathology coursework.

Essential skills and abilities for speech-language pathology majors must be demonstrated throughout the program. These include adequate vision, hearing, speech, spoken and written language, behavior/social skills, and critical thinking skills.

All candidates accepted into the speech-language pathology program must complete a background check. The background check must be conducted in the time frame and by the vendor determined by the College of Education. The candidate is responsible for the cost of the background check.

The undergraduate degree in speech-language pathology is a pre-professional degree which does not lead to a certificate endorsement in speech-language pathology to work in Nebraska schools or a license to work in Nebraska health care settings. A master’s degree is required for both certification and licensure in Nebraska. Admission to a graduate program is a separate, selective process. Completion of the UNO undergraduate program does not guarantee admission to the UNO graduate program.

Student Organization
The UNO chapter of the National Student Speech-Language-Hearing Association (NSSLHA) is a pre-professional membership association for candidates interested in the study of communication sciences and disorders. For membership information, contact Dr. Mitzi Ritzman at mritzman@unomaha.edu.

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Select one of the following:
PSYC 3130 STATISTICS FOR THE BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES
STAT 3000 STATISTICAL METHODS I

Professional Coursework
Candidates must take the following professional education courses:
TED 2300 HUMAN GROWTH AND LEARNING
TED 2100 EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATIONS
SPED 4550 SPECIAL NEEDS STUDENTS FROM DIVERSE COMMUNITIES
or TED 2200 HUMAN RELATIONS FOR BIAS-FREE CLASSROOMS

Required Major Coursework
Required courses for the speech-language pathology Major are:
SPED 1400 INTRODUCTION TO COMMUNICATION DISORDERS
SPED 1500 INTRODUCTION TO SPECIAL EDUCATION
SPED 4380 ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY
SPED 4420 EARLY LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT IN CHILDREN
SPED 4390 HEARING SCIENCE
SPED 4450 PHONETICS
SPED 4460 LATER LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT IN CHILDREN
SPED 3200 WRITING FOR THE PROFESSION OF SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY
SPED 4430 ARTICULATION AND PHONOLOGICAL DISORDERS
SPED 4750 INTRODUCTION TO CHILDHOOD LANGUAGE DISORDERS
SPED 4480 RESEARCH METHODS IN COMMUNICATION DISORDERS
SPED 4490 INTRO TO PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES
SPED 4500 PRINCIPLES OF ASSESSMENT AND INTERVENTION
SPED 4370 BASIC AUDIOLOGY
SPED 4330 AURAL REHABILITATION
SPED 4470 NEUROPHYSIOLOGY OF SPEECH AND LANGUAGE

Elective Coursework
There is a six to nine hour requirement for hours in related elective coursework. Any related elective coursework must have adviser approval. ¹

Total Credits 82-86

¹ NOTE: One of these electives may include SPED 4510. Pre-professional preparation program candidates may apply to take SPED 4510 in their senior year. Admission is selective and requires application to and permission of instructor.