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2022 GRADUATE CAREER OUTCOMES

Based on information from 100% of graduates

100% Secured Employment

100% Admitted Into Graduate School or Professional Program

POPULAR CAREERS

- **Speech Language Pathology:** prevention, screening, assessment, treatment, behavioral modification, follow-up administration, consultation, supervision, teaching, research
- **Audiology:** diagnosis, counsel patients & families on communication methods, tinnitus retraining therapy, cerumen management, fabrication of ear protection pieces, forensic audiology, research/development consultation, hearing protection programming/education

POPULAR EMPLOYERS

Public & private K-12 schools, colleges & universities, hospitals, physicians' offices, residential facilities, research laboratories, federal agencies, speech/language/hearing centers, Department of Health & Human Services, nursing care facilities

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCES

• Internships

- Roberts Learning Center
- LifeScape
- Bishop O'Gorman School District, program practicum
- Baker Audiology Clinic
- Vanessa Anderson-Smith Clinic

• Study Away

- Browse the list of current offerings at augie.edu/StudyAwayPortal, and contact the IPO to discover opportunities related to your vocational goals.



WHY STUDY COMMUNICATION DISORDERS?

Communication disorders (CMDs) is a pre-professional program designed to prepare students for graduate school. In most states, a master's degree is required to receive certification or licensure in speech-language pathology and a doctorate in audiology. The curriculum follows guidelines established by the American Speech-Language Hearing Association (ASHA). Students are encouraged to complete a minor in a related area. See CMDs faculty for guidance.

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FIRST YEAR

MIDDLE YEAR(S)

LAST YEAR

EXCEL ACADEMICALLY

- Review SOPHIA and program requirements with your academic advisor.
- Review your degree audit report, and create a plan of study in Academic Planner.
- Enroll in CMDS 170, CMDS 228 and PSYC 210.
- Participate in FYS 112 to confirm your major, hear from upper-level students about signature experiences and chart a personalized plan for your engagement.
- Choose or confirm your major(s) or minor(s).

- Explore interdisciplinary minors or elective credits that interest you.
- Contact the Student Success Center to declare any second majors or minors.
- Enroll in CMDS 201, CMDS 221 & 222, CMDS 288, CMDS 224, CMDS 272, ECON 270, CMDS 274, EDUC 355, CMDS 284, CMDS 376 and CMDS 388.
- Complete your clinical practicum, audiology clinical and 300-level electives.
- Consider a part-time position with LifeScape or as a peer navigator with the Augie Access Program.

- Apply to graduate no later than Oct. 1, and review the degree audit provided by the Registrar's Office.
- Complete your clinical practicum, audiology clinical and 400-level electives.

ENGAGE & APPLY YOUR LEARNING

- Access your Viking Central account. Participate in campus clubs and organizations such as the National Student Speech Language and Hearing Association (NSSLHA), Council for Exceptional Children, Lost & Found, Augiethon, and Serving and Learning Together (SALT).
- Explore study-away opportunities at the study-away fairs.
- Create an account in Augie Opportunities.

- Attend the Sophomore Retreat.
- Engage in campus leadership, internships, service, study away and relevant summer employment.
- Participate in the alumni mentor program.
- Consider elite scholarship opportunities, such as the Fulbright, Rhodes or Truman.
- Earn the Diversity Advocate Certificate.
- Apply for Knight Internship Funds and ASA transportation funds. Pursue elite fellowships.

- Take standardized exams (e.g., GRE), and share your application to graduate or professional schools with your advisor and CAP specialist for feedback.
- Attend AAA Conference and/or ASHA Convention.
- Attend the BIG (Business, Industry and Government) Job Fair.
- Continue to connect with alumni.
- Participate in mock interviews and networking events.
- Complete the career outcome survey to update us of your employment or enrollment in graduate school.
- Join the Augustana alumni community.

CHART YOUR COURSE TODAY!

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