

B.S., Communication Disorders

The mission of the Communication Disorders Program is to provide culturally and linguistically diverse state of the art educational, clinical, and outreach experiences in communication disorders to enhance the quality of life for communicatively impaired citizens of the border region, the State of Texas, and international communities.

Program Goals

I. Identify trends in professional practice and research principles.

II. Exhibit skills related to the scope of practice of communication disorders.

III. Candidates will exhibit pre-professional clinical writing skills.

Program Student Learning Outcomes

(What should candidates be able to do when they leave the program?)

SLO 1

The candidate will apply knowledge of basic human communication process across the life span from infancy through geriatric including the, neurological, acoustic, psychological, developmental, linguistic and cultural bases.

SLO 2

The candidates will demonstrate clinical knowledge of various communication disorders and differences across the life span.

SLO 3

The candidate will demonstrate clinical writing skills.

Assessment of Outcomes

(How will you know candidates' demonstrated the SLOs in courses and in the field? There needs to be three (3) measures for each SLO.)

1. The candidates will complete the Exit Exam, the expectation range is from 90-100%.
2. Identify basic communication processes across the lifespan by critiquing a journal article and completing a review with a minimum of "accomplished" criterion on journal review rubric in (CSDO 4335.)
3. Submission of collected works in research of practice in (CSDO 4321) with a minimum of "Accomplished" on course assignment rubric.

1. Candidates will complete 25 hours of direct observation in (CSDO 3122) and obtain signatures from professor at completion of course.
2. Candidates will produce a clinical lesson plan attaining a minimum of a 9/16 on the clinical writing rubric in (CSDO 4126).
3. Candidates will implement clinical practice under the direct supervision of a certified SLP; candidates will attain a minimum of 47/80 on the therapeutic rubric scale in (CSDO 4126 & 4226.)

1. Candidates will produce a written assessment report in (CSDO 4321) attaining a minimum of 9/16 on the clinical writing rubric.
2. Candidates will produce a diagnostic written report in (CSDO 4320) attaining a minimum of "Accomplished" on course writing rubric.
3. Candidates will interpret audiometric findings of 3 patients and submit written reports attaining a minimum of 80% on course rubric in (CSDO 3313.)