**University at Buffalo**

**Department of Communicative Disorders and Sciences**

**Curriculum Plan for Master of Arts in Communicative Disorders and Sciences (Speech-Language Pathology)**

**Requirements effective for Students Entering Program Fall 2024**

Date of Entry: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Expected Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Thesis: Yes\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ School Certification: Wants\_\_\_\_ Doesn’t Want \_\_\_\_\_\_ Has \_\_\_\_\_\_

**Prerequisites to Graduate Study for Make-up Students\***  (Take with the numbers as listed below; 500-level courses count towards the 40 required graduate credits)

**FALL**

CDS 151: Introduction to Speech and Audiology (3)

CDS 286 Phonetics (3)

CDS 301 Child Language Development (3)

CDS 388 Anatomy& Physiology/Speech (3)

CDS 529 Aural Rehabilitation (3) \*\*

Physical Science, Biology, Math, LIN 205, CDS Elective

**SPRING**

CDS 389 General and Speech Acoustics (3)

CDS 390 Introduction to Audiology (3)

CDS 544 Phonological Disorders (3)

CDS 480 Clinical Observation (25 hours) (1)

Physical Science, Biology, Math if needed or CDS Elective

M.A. Degree requires minimum of 40 graduate academic credits (NOTE: Minimum of 37 of these credits must be in CDS). 40 credits total does not include Practicum credits (CDS 595/596 LAB/LEC), but does include CDS 525 and 526. Students on average take a maximum of 4 academic courses plus clinic each semester. With the exception of final semester, a minimum of 12 credits each Fall and Spring semester is required for full-time status (practicum credits count towards this number). Nine (9) credits are required each Fall and Spring semester for students who have Teaching/Research Assistantships. **One** 3-credit elective may be taken outside CDS Department with pre-approval from MA Academic Advisor.

**GRADUATE CURRICULUM**

**FALL 1** **(14 credits maximum excluding 595)**

**R** CDS 522 Diagnostics (3)\*\*

**R** CDS 525 Clinical Processes (2)

**R** CDS 528 Neural Bases of Comm. (3)

**R** CDS 563 Lang. Dis. Child (Birth – 5) (3)

**R** CDS 564 Language Dis/Adults (3)

**E** Elective as needed (1-3)

**R** CDS 595 Clinical Practicum (LAB) (2-6)

**R** CDS 595 Clinical Practicum (LEC) (1)

**SPRING 1 (****12 credits maximum excluding 595)**

**R** CDS 502 Evaluating Clinical Change (3)

**R** CDS 565 Lang. Dis. in School Age Child (3)

**R** CDS 560 Voice Disorders (3)

**E/R** CDS 580 Speech Path/Schools (3)\*\*\*

**E** Elective as needed (1-3)

**R** CDS 595 Clinical Practicum (LAB) (3-6)

**R** CDS 595 Clinical Practicum (LEC) (1)

**SUMMER**

**R** CDS 526 Professional Issues (3)

**E** CDS 686 Medical Speech Language Pathology (3)

**E** Elective as needed (3)

**R** CDS 595 Clinical Practicum (6-8)

**FALL 2 (12 credits maximum excluding 596)**

**R** CDS 529 Aural Rehabilitation (3)\*\*

**R** CDS 575 Dysphagia (3)

**R** CDS 640 Motor Speech Dis (3)

**R** CDS 670 Augmentative Communication (3)

**E** Electives as needed (1-3)

**R** CDS 596 Clinical Practicum II (LAB) (1-6)

**R** CDS 596 Clinical Practicum II (LEC) (1)

**SPRING 2 (3-6 credits excluding 596, if needed)**

**R** CDS 624 Externship^^ (6-12)

**ASHA Praxis exam passed**

 **R denotes required coursework; E denotes electives**.

**\*** If student has not graduated with a Bachelor’s degree majoring in Communicative Disorders and Sciences (or equivalent), then **all** make-up/prerequisite courses must be completed; Aural Rehabilitation should be taken Fall 2 if not taken as undergraduate course. Recommended course load is 5 for the makeup year so best to take 529 Fall 2.

**\*\*** Required for ASHA – must take unless waived by equivalent; Undergraduate equivalent is OK

**\*\*\*** Elective for M.A., but required for earning NYS Teacher’s initial certificate

^^ All students must register for a total of 12 Externship credits. Students wishing to receive NY State teacher certification must register for 6 credits of CDS 624 (School section) and 6 credits of CDS 624 (Other section). Students who do not wish to receive NY State Teacher Certification register for a total 12 Credits of CDS 624.

# Other ASHA Required Courses

A. List course(s) in Human Biology (3 credits minimum)

Course # Name Credits College/University

1.

2.

3.

B. List course(s) in Physical Science (physics or chemistry) (3 credits minimum; Note: The course(s) must be offered by Physics or Chemistry Departments OR content specifically focused on Physics or Chemistry.)

Course # Name Credits College/University

1.

2.

3.

C. List courses in Statistics (3 credits minimum)

Course # Name Credits College/University

1.

2.

3.

D. List courses in Statistics (3 credits minimum)

Course # Name Credits College/University

1.

2.

3.

E. List courses in Basic Communication and Swallowing (for 2005 certification) processes such as Linguistics, Anatomy of Speech and Hearing Mechanism, Psychoacoustics, Speech or Hearing Sciences, Phonetics, etc. **DO NOT LIST COURSES THAT HAVE DISORDER OR PATHOLOGY AS MAIN CONTENT. (15 credits minimum)**

Course # Name Credits College/University

1.

2.

3.

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6.

NOTE: For Canadian students 3 credit courses at UB are the equivalent of a semester-long course or 1 credit in Canadian University system.