

MA in Speech-Language Pathology

The Master of Arts in Speech-Language Pathology at Edinboro University was established in 1974 and since then, hundreds of our alumni have been practicing in the U.S. and around the world. This two-year full-time program begins in the fall semester and students normally complete all degree requirements by July of the second year (internships do not follow the University calendar). It prepares graduates with the knowledge and skills to evaluate and treat a wide variety of communication and swallowing disorders across the life span.

A total of five clinical rotations (two on campus and three internships) enable students to develop and refine their clinical skills under the supervision of a qualified practitioner in various settings. Upon completion of our CAA accredited program, a passing score on the national examination in speech-language pathology, and successful completion of a clinical fellowship, graduates become eligible for national certification from the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) and a state license to practice (e.g., in Pennsylvania from the Pennsylvania Board of Examiners in Speech, Language, and Hearing). Students in the program planning to practice in the school setting may also pursue certification as an Educational Specialist in SLP from the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

The master's degree (M.A.) education program in speech-language pathology at Edinboro University is accredited by the *Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology (CAA)* of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, 2200 Research Boulevard #310, Rockville, Maryland 20850, 800-498- 2071 or 301-296-5700. Any concerns specific to the program's accreditation status should first be addressed to the program and Edinboro University and then to the CAA.



ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS and PROCEDURES

Individuals seeking admission as degree students in the MASLP program at Edinboro University must comply with the special admissions requirements of this curriculum.

Edinboro University's MASLP subscribes to the national common application for Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology, CSDCAS.

1. Create an account with CSDCAS and follow the application instructions thoroughly.
2. **All required components of your application must be submitted to CSDCAS before the posted deadline to be considered for admission.**
 - a. Official transcripts from all institutions where you have received college credits. (CSDCAS Verification Department, P.O. Box 9113, Watertown, MA 02471). Edinboro welcomes applications from graduates of CSD programs, as well as any other baccalaureate program. Graduates of the latter will need to complete certain prerequisite courses (see next pages) either prior to or after being accepted into the program, which can be completed in a fall-spring sequence.
 - b. GRE scores (code 0735) sent directly to CSDCAS
 - c. Three letters of reference
 - d. Statement of purpose (1-2 pages)
 - e. Resume
3. A minimum undergraduate GPA of 3.0/4.0 is required for fully qualified admission.
4. *Please do not submit any application materials (including GRE score) to Edinboro University directly.*
5. Initial offers of admission are normally made by April 1 and those applicants will automatically be considered for a graduate assistantship, which combine partial tuition waivers with a paid work assignment. A \$150 deposit must be submitted to hold a seat, and will be applied to your first semester costs. Deposits are non-refundable.
6. CSDCAS customer service is available Monday thru Friday from 9 am to 5 pm (ET) at 617-612-2030 or csdcasinfo@csdcas.org.



School of Graduate Studies and Research

CURRICULUM

A minimum of 54 semester hours of graduate credit is required. Students must also pass the National Examination in Speech-Language Pathology.

Required Courses 36 credit hours

CSD 605 Augmentative and Alternative Communication (3)
CSD 611 Seminar in Clinical Methods (3)
CSD 616 Audiology for the Speech-Language Pathologist (3)
CSD 630 Fluency Disorders (3)
CSD 635 Speech Sound Disorders (Articulation and Phonological Disorders) (3)
CSD 640 Language Disorders (3)

CSD 650 Aphasia/Neurological Disorders (3)
CSD 655 Swallowing Disorders (3)
CSD 706 Professional Issues in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology (3)
CSD 740 Voice & Resonance Disorders (3)
CSD 772 Research Methods in Communication Disorders (3)
CSD 790 Advanced Language and Literacy (3)

Elective Courses 3 credit hours

CSD 675 Topics in Communication Disorders (3) [Motor Speech Disorders]
CSD 745 Early Intervention in Speech-Language Pathology (3)
CSD 793 Independent Study (3)
CSD 799 Thesis (3)

Clinical Education 15 credit hours

CSD 711 Advanced Clinical Practice (Campus clinic, part time)
CSD 711 Advanced Clinical Practice (8 weeks in Healthcare or Specialty setting)
CSD 711 Advanced Clinical Practice (Campus part time)
CSD 711 Advanced Clinical Practice (10 weeks in Educational setting)
CSD 711 Advanced Clinical Practice (10 weeks in Healthcare or Specialty Setting)

Required Prerequisite Courses

CSD 230 Introduction to Audiology
CSD 300 Communication Development Across the Lifespan
CSD 340 Advanced Language Development and Analysis
CSD 350 Speech and Hearing Science
CSD 355 Anatomy and Physiology of the Speech and Hearing Mechanism
CSD 375 Acoustical Phonetics and Phonetic Analysis

CSD 420 Clinical Observation
CSD 500 Neuroanatomy for the SLP
CSD 515 Audiologic Rehabilitation Course in Statistics
Course in Social Science
Course in Human Biological Science
Course in Physical Science (Physics or Chemistry)

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Individuals must comply with the degree requirements for the Master of Arts degree listed in the graduate catalog. The student must also complete the National Examination for Speech-Language Pathology (PRAXIS II: Speech- Language Pathology). It is the student's responsibility to schedule this test through ETS prior to completion of the graduate program.

Faculty

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Expert adjunct instructors augment our core faculty to provide advanced clinical practicum instruction and to teach in areas of expertise: Kate Fox, MA CCC-SLP, Julie Haas, MA CCC-SLP, Christine Shumaker, MA CCC-SLP



For More Information: If you have questions about the application process, please contact Edinboro University's School of Graduate Studies at gradstudies@edinboro.edu or at **(814)732-2856** or toll-free **(888) 845-2890**.

For questions specific to the MA in Speech-Language Pathology, please contact **Dr. Catherine Krival** at **(814) 732-1472** ckrival@edinboro.edu, or Professor Craig Coleman at (814) 732-1407 ccoleman@edinboro.edu.

Office for Accessibility Services: For information or assistance regarding services, activities and facilities that are accessible to and usable by persons with a disability, contact the Office for Accessibility Services (OAS), at **(814) 732-2462**. For additional information, visit the OAS web page.

Graduate Assistantships: Graduate Assistantships are available for campus based students only. They are awarded on a competitive basis. Admission applications must be completed by February 15th to be considered for an assistantship. Assistantships provide a partial waiver of tuition and a stipend, as well as an opportunity to gain experience in research and professional activities. Additional information about assistantships is available through the School of Graduate Studies and Research, **(814) 732-2856** or toll-free **(888) 845-2890**.

Financial Aid Considerations: An academic year consists of fall, spring, and summer. Graduate students taking graduate level courses may receive up to \$20,500 in the Direct Unsubsidized Stafford Loan Program. Most students will use their Stafford loans during the 9 month period (fall and spring). Students will want to be mindful of their financial aid to allow for funding for 12 months if planning on enrolling during the summer term. Students will have an option to apply for Graduate Plus loan or private loans if other funding has been exhausted. For more specific information, please contact the Financial Aid Office at **(888) 611-2680** or finaid@edinboro.edu.

Employer Reimbursement: Non-traditional students who are working and taking classes on a part-time basis may have employer-paid education benefits. The purpose of the employer tuition reimbursement agreement is to allow employees who receive reimbursement to defer payment of their tuition and fees until after grades are available at the end of the semester. Edinboro University accepts employer benefit plans through arrangements with the Bursar's Office by completing the enclosed employer tuition reimbursement agreement.

Veterans' Education Benefits: Information and printable forms regarding Veterans' Education Benefits and the Montgomery GI Bill are available at the Department of Veterans Affairs website, <http://www.gibill.va.gov/>. After the Department of Veterans Affairs approves a student's eligibility, and after the school certifies the student's enrollment, benefits are paid directly to the student after the end of each month.

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