# **COMMUNICATION DISORDERS**

### Master of Arts (MA)

This is a guide based on the 2023-2024 Graduate Bulletin and is subject to change. The time it takes to earn a degree will vary based on several factors such as dual enrollment, remediation, and summer enrollment. Students will meet with an academic advisor each semester and use Degree Works to monitor their individual progress

#### **CURRICULUM CHECKLIST**

# 59 hours required Required Courses:

- \_\_\_ CD603 Advanced Communication Disorders Clinical Practicum (3 enrollments) (9)
- \_\_\_ CD608 Clinical Methods in Speech Language Pathology (2)
- CD616 Literacy Essentials for Speech Language Pathologists (3)
- \_\_\_ CD620 Developmental Articulatory & Phonological Disorders (3)
- \_\_\_ CD625 Research Methodology in Communication Disorders (3)
- \_\_\_ CD628 Cognitive Communication Disorders and Their Functional Implications (1)
- \_\_\_ CD629 Neuroscience of Communication Disorders (2)
- \_\_ CD630 Acquired Language & Disorders & Their Functional Implications (2)
- \_\_\_\_ CD634 Language & Cognitive Disorders in Infants & Preschool Children (2)
- \_\_\_ CD635 Language, Cognitive & Social Communication Disorders in School-Aged Children (3)
- \_\_ CD641 Voice Disorders (2)
- \_\_\_ CD642 Stuttering and Cluttering (2)
- CD643 Augmentative/Alternative Communication Systems (2)
- CD651 Neurogenic Speech Disorders (2)
- CD652 Swallowing Disorders (3)
- \_\_\_ CD653 Pediatric Feeding & Swallowing (1)
- \_\_\_ CD656 Craniofacial Anomalies & Resonance Disorders (2)
- CD659 Speech & Language Services for Special Populations (2)
- CD669 Externship in Communication Disorders (2 enrollments) (6)
- \_\_\_ CD685 Professionals Issues in Communication Disorders (2)

# **Choose One of the Following Options:**

Non-Thesis Option

- CD683 Research in Communication Disorders (2 enrollments) (3)
- \_\_\_ GR698 Master's Final Comprehensive Examination (0)

Thesis Option

- \_\_\_ CD695 Thesis (2 enrollments) (3)
- \_\_\_ GR699 Master's Oral Examination (0)

Additional requirements:\*

- \_\_\_ CD399 Speech & Hearing Science (3)
- \_\_\_ CD525 Aural Rehabilitation (3)

#### **Degree Requirements**

The degree requirements in Communication Disorders are designed to meet the academic and clinical standards established by the Council for Academic Accreditation (CAA) of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association. Completion of the degree requirements constitutes one component toward the establishment of the student's eligibility for the Certificate of Clinical Competence in Speech-Language Pathology (CCC-SLP).

It is the student's responsibility to confer with his/her academic advisor regarding recent changes (if any) in academic or clinical standards. Also, it is the student's responsibility to complete any additional requirements for the CCC-SLP beyond completion of the degree and to submit proper documentation of all required components.

## **Admission Requirements**

Application procedures are detailed on the departmental website at https://semo.edu/colleges-departments/education-health/communication-disorders/graduate-info/index.html. Admission is considered only for the summer semester. In addition to the criteria established for general admission to graduate studies, applicants must have the following:

 An undergraduate degree in Communication Disorders (or equivalent area) from a regionally accredited college or university

*Note:* Generally, individuals with undergraduate degrees from another discipline (e.g., nursing, education, biological sciences) may be required to complete prerequisite coursework to include content knowledge, skills, and experiences.

- 2. An undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or a minimum GPA of 3.0 during the last 2 semesters of undergraduate study during which at least 30 credit hours was earned
- 3. Two letters of recommendation
- 4. Resume
- 5. Application with personal statement
- 6. Fifteen-minute web-based interview

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<sup>\*</sup> If the student did not have CD399 and/or CD525 or equivalent courses as an undergraduate, the student must take these courses as a graduate student.