AUDIOLOGY - AU.D.

College of Education Health and Human Services
School of Health Sciences
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About This Program
The Doctor of Audiology degree program provides you with the theoretical knowledge and hands-on experience needed to excel in this rewarding field. With access to advanced technology and experienced faculty, you’ll be prepared to diagnose and treat hearing and balance disorders and make a meaningful impact in patients’ lives. Read more...

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Program Delivery
• Delivery: In person
• Location: Kent Campus

Examples of Possible Careers and Salaries*
Audiologists
• 13.3% much faster than the average
• 13,800 number of jobs
• $81,030 potential earnings

Accreditation
The Doctor of Audiology degree in Audiology (residential) at Kent State University is accredited by the Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, 2200 Research Boulevard, #310, Rockville, MD 20850, 800-498-2071 or 301-296-5700.

* Source of occupation titles and labor data comes from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics’ Occupational Outlook Handbook. Data comprises projected percent change in employment over the next 10 years; nation-wide employment numbers; and the yearly median wage at which half of the workers in the occupation earned more than that amount and half earned less.

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Application Deadlines
• Fall Semester
  • Priority deadline: January 15
    Applications submitted by this deadline will receive the strongest consideration for admission.

Program Requirements

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Admission Requirements
• Bachelor’s degree or higher from an accredited college or university (not necessarily in speech-language pathology and audiology)
• Minimum 3.00 GPA on a 4.00 point scale
• Official college transcript(s)
• GRE scores
• Goal statement
• Three letters of recommendation
• English language proficiency - all international students must provide proof of English language proficiency (unless they meet specific exceptions) by earning one of the following:
  • Minimum 587 TOEFL PBT score (paper-based version)
  • Minimum 94 TOEFL IBT score (Internet-based version)
  • Minimum 82 MELAB score
  • Minimum 7.0 IELTS score
  • Minimum 65 PTE score
  • Minimum 120 Duolingo English Test score

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SPA 70733 ADVANCED ELECTROPHYSIOLOGIC AND VESTIBULAR MEASURES 4
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SPA 70791 FOURTH YEAR SEMINAR (course is repeatable) 2
SPA 70892 INTERNSHIP III 2
SPA 70992 INTERNSHIP IV 2
SPA 74592 CLERKSHIP I 1
SPA 74692 CLERKSHIP II 1
SPA 75792 INTERNSHIP I 1
SPA 76792 INTERNSHIP II 1

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 120

Graduation Requirements

Minimum Major GPA 3.000
Minimum Overall GPA

- Accrue 2000 clock hours of clinical experience
- Meet the requirements for conditional Ohio licensure in audiology
- Pass academic and clinical competency-based examinations

Clinical Setting

For any clinical practicum (on campus or off campus) in speech pathology or audiology that requires candidates to be placed within the on-campus speech and hearing clinics, school or agency setting, the SPA program requires candidates to complete Bureau of Criminal Investigation and Identification (BCII) and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) background check and submit the results to authorized personnel at their assigned clinic/school/agency before the beginning of their placement or the first day of the semester in which the practicum will take place. Authorized school/agency personnel will determine whether a candidate may participate in practicum in the off-campus setting.

Electronic fingerprinting is available for BCII and FBI in 221 White Hall and should be completed one month prior to clinical practicum. Candidates are responsible for fees incurred for this requirement. For more information on this policy contact the Clinical Coordinators for the Speech and Hearing Clinics. Visit the Ohio Department of Education website for more information about background check requirements for those wishing to hold pupil personnel licenses in Ohio. Contact the Office of Professional Conduct at the Ohio Department of Education for specific information about the results of the background check.

Program Learning Outcomes

Graduates of this program will be able to:

1. Demonstrate knowledge of standards of ethical conduct.
2. Apply knowledge of the principles and methods of prevention, assessment and intervention for people with hearing impairments.
3. Demonstrate knowledge about certification, specialty recognition, licensure and other relevant professional issues.
4. Demonstrate knowledge of contemporary professional issues.
5. Apply knowledge of research processes by integration of research principles into evidence-based practice.
6. Demonstrate skill in oral and written and other forms of communication sufficient for entry into professional practice.
7. Apply knowledge of and experience with individuals from culturally/linguistically diverse backgrounds with client/patient populations across the lifespan.

Full Description

The Doctor of Audiology degree is a professional doctorate that prepares students to be licensed clinical audiologists. The program emphasizes the principles and practices underlying evaluation, treatment and provision of hearing care services. Graduates are independent professionals who specialize in the diagnosis, management and treatment of hearing and balance disorders.

The Au.D. degree is a full-time, continuous, 48-month post-baccalaureate course of study designed to integrate classroom, laboratory and clinical experiences, culminating in the qualification for national certification and state (Ohio) licensure as an audiologist. All students attend full-time and take a fixed sequence of classroom- and clinic-based courses.

This program may be undertaken simultaneously or sequentially with the Ph.D. in Audiology.

The Au.D. degree in Audiology is offered in consortium with the Cleveland Clinic and the University of Akron.