

# M.S. in COMMUNICATION **SCIENCES AND** DISORDERS

## **HELPING OTHERS CONNECT**

Our program focuses on a well-rounded curriculum with engaged faculty so that you can embrace challenges with an open mind and become a dynamic problem-solver. You'll be prepared to pursue a career as a speech-language pathologist in a number of professional settings.

Years to degree completion

\$70,000 total tuition costs \*tuition and fees subject to change

> 60 Semester hours

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School of **Graduate Studies** 

## YOUR FUTURE IS WELL WITHIN YOUR REACH

Imagine a career that combines your unique talents and interests—as you enable others to reach past their communication barriers. Our mission is to prepare speech-language pathologists to achieve the highest standards of academic learning, clinical service, scientific inquiry and creative work. With Elmhurst's M.S. in CSD, you will be on your way to becoming a leader and expert in speech, language and swallowing disorders.

## ACE YOUR CERTIFICATIONS

Our program prepares you for national certification by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA). You'll also be prepared for employment in the Illinois public school system and for licensure by the Illinois State Board of Education.

## A NETWORK FOR THE REST OF YOUR PROFESSIONAL LIFE

You'll gain more than credentials at Elmhurst. You'll also gain a large network of teachers and fellow graduates who will support you throughout your career and connect you with employers all over Chicagoland. You'll hit the ground running-tested, proven and ready.

## WHERE YOUR ELMHURST DEGREE CAN TAKE YOU

- Schools
- Research institutions •
- Hospitals
- Nursing and residential care facilities
- Clinics
- Private practice

## THE RIGHT PEOPLE ON YOUR SIDE

Elmhurst faculty aren't just experts in their fields-they're dedicated to expanding your reach, with connections, practica and hands-on clinical experiences.



# \$89,290

Median annual wage for speechlanguage pathologists in 2023. (\$129,930—the salary of the highest 10% of SLPs) (Bureau of Labor Statistics, bls.gov)

## 19%

projected growth of speech-language pathologists, from 2022-2032. Now that's a healthy outlook. (Bureau of Labor Statistics, bls.gov)





Our ultimate goal as speechlanguage pathologists is to make meaningful differences in the lives of our clients by improving their speech, language and/or swallowing.

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PROGRAM FORMAT
Cohort Approach

Full time program

Summer start

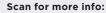
On-campus clinic placements

Off-campus externships



#### **PRIORITY APPLICATION** DEADLINES

Applications must be submitted through the CSDCAS website below to be considered for fall admission. The CSDCAS application will open July 15, 2024 for Fall 2025 consideration.





## **Course Sequence**

You'll complete 22 courses for a total of 60 semester hours.

#### YEAR ONE

Summer Ter	m
CSD 505 CSD 519	Introduction to Professional Clinical Procedures Neurology
Fall Term	
CSD 500	Clinical Practicum I
CSD 507	Research Methods CSD
CSD 509	Language/Literacy Young Children Assessment and Treatment
CSD 510	Advanced Study in Phonology & Articulation
CSD 515	Language Disorders in Adults
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CSD 518	Culturally and Linguistically Responsive Services in CSD
Spring Term	
CSD 501	Clinical Practicum II
CSD 516	Language and Academic Literacies in K-12 Classrooms
CSD 521	Dysphagia & Feeding Disorders
CSD 526	Voice Disorders
CSD 530	Thesis and Research OR CSD 590 Research Option II
YEAR TW	0
Summer Ter	m
CSD 502	Clinical Practicum III
CSD 525	Public School Methods in a Diverse Society
Fall Term	
CSD 503	Practicum in Educational Settings , part-time OR
CSD 504	Practicum in Medical Settings , part-time
CSD 522	Augmentative/Alternative Communication
CSD 527	Fluency Disorders
CSD 528	Motor Speech Disorders Across the Lifespan
CSD 530	Thesis Research or CSD 590 Research Option II
Spring Term	
CSD 523	Practicum in Educational Settings , full-term OR
CSD 524	Practicum in Medical Settings , full-term OR
CSD 513	Practicum in Educational Settings half-term AND CSD 514 CSD

Practicum in Educational Settings , half-term AND CSD 514 CSD CSD 513 Practicum in Medical Settings , half-term

## **Admission Requirements**

- A bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited U.S. institution or foreign equivalent
- All appropriate prerequisite CSD courses:
  - Phonetics
  - Anatomy and Physiology of the Speech and Hearing Mechanism
  - Child Language Development
  - Speech Science
  - Introduction to Audiology
  - Introduction to **Communication Sciences and** Disorders
  - Clinical Methods

- Speech Sound Disorders (Articulation and Phonology)
- One course each in biological sciences, physical sciences (chemistry or physics), mathematics (statistics) and the social/behavioral sciences
- A course in Methods of Teaching Learners with Exceptionalities is required for an Illinois Professional Educator's License
- Aural Rehabilitation is required for ASHA certification

Prerequisite courses may be completed as part of the student's undergraduate coursework, transferred from another college or university, or taken at Elmhurst University prior to applying to the MSCSD program.



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