

Communicative Disorders

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The Department of Communicative Disorders offers a curriculum in the study of normal and disordered speech, language and hearing. The undergraduate curriculum prepares students for graduate study in the field of communicative disorders.

Mission The Department of Communicative Disorders shares in the University of Wisconsin System (UWS) Mission, the University Cluster Core Mission and the Select Mission of the University of Wisconsin River Falls. The select mission of the Department of Communicative Disorders and the UWRF Speech-Language and Hearing Clinic is to ensure, through coursework, laboratories, and practicum experiences, that students demonstrate the knowledge and skills required to become competent and ethical entry-level professionals in the field of speech-language pathology.

Goal To prepare undergraduate students for graduate study in the fields of speech-language pathology and audiology.

Program The undergraduate program includes 39 credits in the major:

COMD 160 Introduction to Communicative Disorders
COMD 261 Language Development
COMD 262 Speech Systems
COMD 263 Phonetics
COMD 264 Speech Science
COMD 275 Clinical Observation/Discussion
COMD 350 Articulation/Phonological Disorders
COMD 362 Language Assessment and Intervention
COMD 375 Clinical Procedures
COMD 360 Audiology I
COMD 379 Clinical Experience
COMD 460 Voice Disorders
COMD 463 Stuttering/Behavior Modification
COMD 466 Aural Rehabilitation

Faculty The Department of Communicative Disorders consists of five full-time professors, a clinic director, and two part-time clinical supervisors. All faculty members hold certification through the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association.

Why Major in Communicative Disorders?

1. Upon completion of the master's degree, students are prepared to work as speech-language pathologists in hospital settings, rehabilitation centers, early childhood centers, public schools, long-term care facilities, and private practice.
2. Speech-language pathologists and audiologists have day-to day contact with children and adults who experience a variety of communicative disorders (including language disorders, articulation disorders, autism, stroke, traumatic brain injury, hearing impairments, swallowing disorders, cerebral palsy and other neurological disorders).
3. There is a national shortage of speech-language pathologists. The Department of Communicative Disorders boasts 100 percent placement of its graduate students since 1975.



COMMUNICATIVE DISORDERS—SECONDARY EDUCATION

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Bachelor of Science Degree. Academic Advising Plan.

Semester 1 (Fall)

BIOL 100	Introduction to Biology.....	3
COMD 160	Intro to Communicative Disorders.....	3
General Education CS (ENGL 100)	.....	3
General Education SB (HIST 201)	.....	3
General Education HF (ART 100 or other HF course)	..	3
Total semester credits.....		15

Semester 2 (Spring)

COMD 275	Practicum: Observation/Discussion.....	1
General Education CS (SCTA 101)	.....	3
General Education EC (ESM 105 or other EC course)	..	3
General Education M (MATH 126)	.....	3
General Education S (PHYS 114 or CHEM 100)	.....	3
General Education SB (PSYC 101 or other SB course)	..	3
Total semester credits.....		16

Semester 3 (Fall)

COMD 261	Language Development/Disorders.....	4
COMD 262	Speech Systems.....	4
COMD 263	Phonetics.....	3
General Education CA (ENGL 200)	.....	3
P ED 108	Health and Fitness for Life.....	1
Total semester credits.....		15

Semester 4 (Spring)

COMD 264	Speech Science.....	3
TED 211	Educational Psychology El Ed.....	5
TED 252	Foundations of Multicultural Ed.....	3
General Education HF (ENGL 243)	.....	3
Total semester credits.....		14

Semester 5 (Fall)

COMD 360	Introduction to Audiology.....	3
PSYC 330	The Exceptional Child.....	3
General Education HW (PE activity course)	.....	.5
Courses in minor (3 courses)	.....	9
Total semester credits.....		15.5

Semester 6 (Spring)

COMD 350	Articulatory and Phonological Dis.....	3
COMD 362	Language Appraisal and Intervention.....	3
COMD 466	Aural Rehabilitation.....	3
Course in minor	.....	3
General Education MD (ENGL 385 or other MD)	.....	3
Total semester credits.....		15

Semester 7 (Fall)

COMD 375	Clinical Procedures.....	2
COMD 463	Behavior Modification/Stuttering.....	3
TED 439	Techniques: Communicative Disorders.....	3
TED 461	Psychology and Pedagogy of Literacy.....	3
General Education HW (PE activity course)	.....	.5
Course in minor	.....	3
Total semester credits.....		14.5

Semester 8 (Spring)

COMD 379	Clinical Experience Internship.....	1
COMD 460	Voice Disorders.....	3
Courses in minor (3 courses)	.....	9
Elective course	.....	2
Total semester credits.....		15

Summary of Degree Requirements

University Requirements.....	6 cr.
General Education.....	35 cr.
Professional Education.....	14 cr.
Major.....	39 cr.
Minor.....	24 cr.
Electives.....	2 cr.
Credits to Degree.....	120 cr.

COMMUNICATIVE DISORDERS–LIBERAL ARTS

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Semester 1 (Fall)

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COMD 160	Intro to Communicative Disorders.....	3
General Education CS	(ENGL 100).....	3
General Education SB	(HIST 201).....	3
General Education HF	(ART 100 or other HF course) ..	3
	Total semester credits.....	15

Semester 2 (Spring)

COMD 275	Practicum: Observation/Discussion.....	1
General Education CS	(SCTA 101).....	3
General Education EC	(ESM 105 or other EC course) ..	3
General Education M	(MATH 126).....	3
General Education S	(PHYS 114 or CHEM 100).....	3
General Education SB	(PSYC 101 or other SB course) ..	3
	Total semester credits.....	16

Semester 3 (Fall)

COMD 261	Language Development/Disorders.....	4
COMD 262	Speech Systems.....	4
COMD 263	Phonetics.....	3
General Education CA	(ENGL 200).....	3
P ED 108	Health and Fitness for Life.....	1
	Total semester credits.....	15

Semester 4 (Spring)

COMD 264	Speech Science.....	3
General Education HF	(ENGL 243).....	3
Liberal Arts Course	.....	3
Liberal Arts Course	.....	4
TED 252	Foundations of Multicultural Ed.....	3
	Total semester credits.....	16

Semester 5 (Fall)

COMD 360	Introduction to Audiology.....	3
General Education HW	(PE activity course).....	.5
Liberal Arts Course	.....	3
Courses in minor	(3 courses).....	9
	Total semester credits.....	15.5

Semester 6 (Spring)

COMD 350	Articulatory and Phonological Dis.....	3
COMD 362	Language Appraisal and Intervention.....	3
COMD 466	Aural Rehabilitation.....	3
Course in minor	3
General Education MD	(ENGL 385 or other MD).....	3
	Total semester credits.....	15

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