

COMMUNICATION SCIENCES AND DISORDERS

Human Sciences and Services 112

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Department Website (<https://www.uwec.edu/academics/college-education-human-sciences/departments-programs/communication-sciences-disorders/>)

Communication is one of the most important human attributes. Communication Sciences and Disorders (Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology) are the professions devoted to increasing our knowledge of human communication and helping people with communication, cognitive, swallowing, and/or hearing challenges.

The first step toward a career in this field is earning an undergraduate degree with a comprehensive major in Communication Sciences and Disorders. The undergraduate degree program includes a strong liberal education component and is interdisciplinary in nature. A master's degree is required in order to obtain employment as a licensed speech-language pathologist. The Master of Science (M.S.) program in speech-language pathology, residential and distance education, at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire 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. Our graduate students are also prepared for licensure by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI). More information about our graduate program is available on our Communication Sciences and Disorders website. (<https://www.uwec.edu/academics/college-education-human-sciences/departments-programs/communication-sciences-disorders/>)

Departmental Honors Program

Eligibility: Acceptance into the program is limited to upper-class majors with resident and total GPAs of 3.50 or higher, a CSD GPA of 3.50 or higher, and the consent of the department. Successful completion at time of application (not in progress) of CSD 235, CSD 256, CSD 257, and CSD 353, with a grade of B or above is also required. Students invited to join the CSD Departmental Honors program will not have taken any courses for a grade of Satisfactory or Unsatisfactory.

Requirements: Completion of two upper division CSD courses offering an Honors Contract; successful completion of a Scholarship or Leadership project; presentation of project or research results at a CSD Pro-Sem during spring of senior year, CERCA, Provost's Honor's Symposium, and/or a state or national conference; and graduating with a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher and a CSD GPA of 3.5 or higher.

Faculty

Abby Hemmerich, Chair

Bryan Brown

Charlotte Clark

Shannon Collins

Megan Figg

Jerry Hoepner

Rebecca Jarzynski

Lesley Mayne

Kelly Muller

Brian Orr

Lindsay Pohlen

Laura Prince

Tom Sather

Sarah Schellinger

Angela Sterling-Orth

Off-Campus Adjunct Faculty:

A current listing is available from the Chair of the Department.

Majors

- Comprehensive Major: Communication Sciences and Disorders, Liberal Arts - B.S. (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/education-human-sciences/communication-sciences-disorders/communication-sciences-and-disorders-comprehensive-major-bs/>)
- Comprehensive Major: Communication Science and Disorders Online, Liberal Arts-B.S. (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/education-human-sciences/communication-sciences-disorders/communication-sciences-and-disorders-comprehensive-major-online-bs/>)

Certificates

- Certificate: American Sign Language (ASL) (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/education-human-sciences/communication-sciences-disorders/american-sign-language-certificate/>)
- Certificate: Speech Language Pathology Assistant (SLPA) (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/education-human-sciences/communication-sciences-disorders/speech-language-pathology-assistant-certificate/>)