UNLOCKING THE WORLD THROUGH COMMUNICATION AND THERAPY

The need for speech-language pathologists and audiologists is growing. Our communication disorders and sciences program can prepare you for a fulfilling, lucrative career in one of these fields. At SIU, you can be involved in hands-on learning that makes a real impact.

Join a program where your educational experience goes well beyond the walls of classrooms led by award-winning faculty. Gain practical experience by taking advantage of our numerous on-campus clinical facilities, our Center for Autism Spectrum Disorders and internships at a variety of sites. Meld it all together with fascinating research possibilities and you’ll see why SIU gives you an academic experience that will take you as far as you want to go!

And, thanks to a low faculty to student ratio, our students receive individualized attention to help them succeed.

WE GIVE YOU THE FOUNDATION FOR A VARIETY OF CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY
Diverse opportunities await graduates of this program. Graduates can, in some states, work under the supervision of licensed speech-language pathologists or, with a master’s degree, practice independently. You can even complete your master’s degree at SIU!

Speech-language pathologists help people with speech articulation, voice, resonance and fluency, the use of non-verbal communication, proper language use, swallowing disorders and cognitive aspects of communication including attention, memory and problem solving.

AUDIOLOGY
Through practical experience and instruction, our program prepares you for a career assessing, treating and rehabilitating hearing and balance disorders and helping with education and prevention of noise-induced hearing loss. Graduates are prepared to complete a clinical doctoral program elsewhere and become certified audiologists.

Career opportunities abound in schools, health care facilities, agencies, day care and preschools, private practice and beyond! Our undergraduate program prepares you for advanced study in two areas of specialization.
REAL-LIFE EXPERIENCE
Hands-on learning isn’t just something we talk about. We give you incredible options for learning by doing. You can get involved in student research as an undergraduate, working in faculty labs where important cochlear implant, emergent literacy and voice research is happening.

Our undergraduates gain valuable clinical experience volunteering at our acclaimed Center for Autism Spectrum Disorders. SIU is home to two pre-professional student organizations providing valuable community service and professional networking opportunities. Our chapter of the National Student Speech Language Hearing Association even earned national recognition for the commitment members demonstrate.

Internship options are diverse and many for graduate students. Our Communication Disorders and Sciences program combines quality instruction from knowledgeable and dedicated faculty with research opportunities and practical experience to pave your way to the future you envision.

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