

College of Nursing and Health Sciences

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The College of Nursing and Health Sciences is composed of the Department of Nursing, the Department of Communication Disorders, and the Department of Sports and Exercise Sciences. The academic programs of the college are supported by the West Texas A&M University Health Partners Clinic, a faculty practice, primary care clinic in Amarillo, Texas, the Bivins Nursing Learning Center, the WTAMU Speech and Hearing Clinic, and

the Sports and Exercise Sciences Human Performance Laboratory. Students learn in on-campus classrooms and laboratories and through distance-education methods. Clinical skills in all departments are practiced in numerous health-related agencies in the region.

The College of Nursing and Health Sciences is dedicated to developing professional and academic leaders in the health professions through educational programs that engage students effectively, provide high-quality clinical services to patients and clients, and contribute meaningful scholarship including evidence-based practice. This mission is achieved through the individual and collective efforts of highly qualified faculty and staff.

Department of Communication Disorders

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The Department of Communication Disorders offers an undergraduate bachelor's and a master's degree in communication disorders. The graduate program is accredited by the Council on Academic Accreditation of the American Speech Language Hearing Association (ASHA). The department also offers the post-baccalaureate program for individuals who have an undergraduate degree in a discipline other than communication disorders and who desire to obtain a graduate degree in communication disorders. All of the communication disorder faculty members hold the Certificate of Clinical Competence from ASHA and are licensed by the Texas Board of Examiners in speech-language pathology and/or audiology .

Discipline	Course Prefix
Communication Disorders	CD

NOTE: See the "Academic Courses and Abbreviations" and "Course Descriptions" sections of this catalog for a complete list of courses offered by the University.

Bachelor Science (B.S.) Degree

Requirements (See the "Requirements for Baccalaureate Degrees" section of this catalog.)

Major in Communication Disorders (Major Code: 240)

The American Speech-Language and Hearing Association (ASHA), in order to certify and provide professional speech and hearing services, requires a master's degree in communication disorders. WTAMU's Communication Disorders Program is nationally accredited through ASHA.

For information about the master of science (M.S.) degree, refer to the "Graduate School" section of this catalog.

University Core Curriculum Requirements

Refer to the "University Core Curriculum" section of this catalog and to the required related courses listed below.

Communication Disorders Core Requirements (51 hours)

- CD 2370, 2371, 2372, 2373, 3330, 3340, 3345, 3355, 3356, 3365, 3370, 4372, 4380, 4381, 4385, 4386, 4390 and 4460.

Required Related Courses

- BIOL 2401, 2401L; ENGL 3311; PSYC 3310 or NURS 3304; PSYC 2314 or 2315; PSYC 4360.

Observation Requirements for the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA)

- Total of 25 hours in CD 2372, 3330, 3340, 3355 and 4386.

Communication Disorders Honors Requirements

- CD 3392.

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Curriculum Guide (suggested course sequence)			
Major in Communication Disorders			
First Year		Second Year	
Semester 1 ENGL 1301 3 hrs. BIOL 1406, 1407, 1408, 1409, 1411 or 1413 4 hrs. POSC 2305 or 2370 3 hrs. MATH 1314, 1324, 1332, 2412 or 2413 .. 3 hrs. ANSC 2370, IDM 1105, 1301, 1315, 2345, IDS 1071, PHIL 2303 <u>3 hrs.</u> 16 hrs.	Semester 2 ENGL 1302 or 2311 3 hrs. CHEM 1405, 1411, 1412, GEOL 1401, 1402, 1403, 1404, PHYS 1401, 1402, 1411, 1412 4 hrs. SCOM 1315, 1318, 1321 3 hrs. HIST 1301, 1302 or 2301 .. 3 hrs. Elective..... <u>3 hrs.</u> 16 hrs.	Semester 1 PSYC 2301.....3 hrs. HUMA 1315, ARTS 1303, 1304, DANC 2303, MUSI 1306, or 1208 and 1209, or THRE 1310...3 hrs. BIOL 24014 hrs. Elective..... <u>3 hrs.</u> 13 hrs.	Semester 2 HIST 1301, 1302 or 2301 , PSYC 2314 or 23153 hrs. ENGL 2321, 2326, 2331, 2341, 2343, HIST 2311, 2372, MCOM 1307, PHIL 1301, 2374, SPAN 2312*3 hrs. POSC 23063 hrs. ENGL 3311 <u>3 hrs.</u> 15 hrs.
Third Year		Fourth Year	
Semester 1 CD 23703 hrs. CD 23713 hrs. CD 23723 hrs. CD 23733 hrs. CD 3355 <u>3 hrs.</u> 15 hrs.	Semester 2 CD 33303 hrs. CD 33403 hrs. CD 33453 hrs. CD 33563 hrs. CD 4381 <u>3 hrs.</u> 15 hrs.	Semester 1 CD 33703 hrs. CD 43853 hrs. CD 33653 hrs. CD 44604 hrs. PSYC 4360 <u>3 hrs.</u> 16 hrs.	Semester 2 CD 43723 hrs. CD 43863 hrs. CD 43803 hrs. CD 43903 hrs. PSYC 3310 or NURS 3304..... <u>3 hrs.</u> 15 hrs.
*An equivalent course (second year, second semester) in French or German. NOTES: Students may opt to use summers or intersessions to fulfill core curriculum requirements. Fifty-eight hours of communication disorders courses count toward a degree. Students must complete a minimum of 36 hours of upper-division (3000–4000 level) course work of which 30 must be in residence at WTAMU.			