Speech and Hearing Science, PhD

With the right preparation, you may become an independent scientist in speech and hearing science. Benefit from the personalized mentorship and hands-on experience in research, teaching and service offered you by faculty who are world-class experts --- in neuroscience; craniofacial disorders; speech, language and literacy development and disorders; technology and engineering; neuropsychology; bilingualism; cochlear implants; pediatric audiology; and genetics.

Program Description

Degree Awarded: PHD Speech and Hearing Science

The interdisciplinary PhD program in speech and hearing science prepares scholars for careers in basic and applied research in academic, industrial or health care environments.

Students pursue an individualized program with the unifying theme of human communication and disorders. Courses tailored to students' specific interests are taken from a variety of departments. In addition to a self-designed program of study, concentrations are offered in auditory and language neuroscience and in translational genetics of communication abilities. Students should visit the program website for further details about these options.

At a Glance

- **College/School:** [College of Health Solutions](#)
- **Location:** [Tempe campus](#)

Degree Requirements

84 credit hours, a written comprehensive exam, an oral comprehensive exam, a prospectus and a dissertation
Required Core (2 credit hours)
SHS 701 Scientific Writing and Presentation in Communication Sciences and Disorders I (1)
SHS 702 Scientific Writing and Presentation in Communication Sciences and Disorders II (1)

Culminating Experience (12 credit hours)
SHS 799 Dissertation (12)

Additional Curriculum Information
When approved by the student's supervisory committee and the Graduate College, 28 credit hours from a previously awarded master's degree are allowed to be used for the degree.

Students complete content area coursework that may include aspects of neuroscience, methodology, speech and hearing science, and other specialty areas. A student completes their plan of study under the guidance of their faculty mentor and program committee. A programmatic research experience prepares the student for basic or applied research leading to the dissertation.

Admission Requirements

Applicants must fulfill the requirements of the Graduate College and the College of Health Solutions.

Applicants are eligible to apply to the program if they have earned a bachelor's degree in a related field and do not wish to earn a clinical master's degree, or if they have earned a master's degree or equivalent in speech and hearing science, psychology, linguistics, or a related discipline from a regionally accredited institution.

Applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 (scale is 4.00 = "A") in the last 60 hours of their first bachelor's degree program, or applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 (scale is 4.00 = "A") in an applicable master's degree program.

All applicants must submit:

1. graduate admission application and application fee
2. official transcripts of undergraduate and graduate study
3. application cover letter and personal statement
4. GRE scores
5. three letters of recommendation
6. resume or curriculum vitae
7. proof of English proficiency
**Additional Application Information**
An applicant whose native language is not English must provide proof of English proficiency regardless of current residency.

Professional letters of recommendation must be from three individuals who are familiar with the applicant's academic record and should contain contact information for the recommenders.

The personal statement must be 300 words or fewer and should include the experiences and qualities the student brings to the program, along with the student's goals for the future.

**Application Deadlines**

**Fall**

**Contact Information**

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