

Doctor of Audiology, AuD

Learning Outcomes

Graduating AuD students will:

- be able to accurately identify, diagnose, prevent, quantify, and treat hearing and balance disorders affecting both children and adults;
- understand the importance of and be able to implement patient- and family-centered, evidence-based approaches to identify, treat, and prevent hearing and balance disorders affecting individuals of all ages; and
- become leaders—nationally and internationally—driving innovation, shaping the future of the profession, and disseminating information about the consequences of untreated hearing and balance disorders as well as the importance of early intervention and prevention.

Requirements

The Doctor of Audiology (AuD) requires 89 s.h. of graduate credit. Students must earn a minimum UI cumulative grade-point average of 3.00. The AuD is the entry-level degree for individuals who wish to work as audiologists in the United States.

The four-year AuD program is designed for students who have completed an undergraduate degree in speech and hearing science, communication sciences and disorders, or another baccalaureate degree through which they completed the required course prerequisites for the AuD program.

The Doctor of Audiology requires the following coursework.

Requirements	Hours
Core Courses	51
Additional Audiology Courses	38

Core Courses

The following courses must be taken on an A-F graded basis.

Course #	Title	Hours
All of these:		
CSD:5203	Counseling in Communication Disorders	1
CSD:5224	System and Signal Theory for Speech and Hearing Science	3
CSD:5240	Hearing Aids	3
CSD:5246	Advanced Audiology	3
CSD:5253	Speech Perception in Listeners With Hearing Loss	2
CSD:5255	Educational Audiology	2
CSD:5256	Anatomy and Physiology of Hearing	3
CSD:5320	Applied Statistics and Principles of Evidence-Based Practice in Audiology	3
CSD:6230	Psychoacoustics	2
CSD:6245	Pediatric Audiology	3
CSD:6247	Medical Audiology	2

CSD:6249	Cochlear Implants	3
CSD:6290	Auditory Evoked Potentials	3
CSD:6291	Vestibular Assessment and Rehabilitation	3
CSD:6292	Advanced Rehabilitative Audiology: Adult	1
CSD:6294	Advanced Rehabilitative Audiology: Pediatric	1
CSD:6318	Occupational Audiology	1

The following courses may be completed with a grade of S.

Course #	Title	Hours
All of these:		
CSD:5311	Advanced Clinical Topics in Audiology (taken twice for 2 s.h. each)	4
CSD:5317	Advanced Clinical Practice in Audiology (taken three times for 1 s.h. each)	3
CSD:6311	Professional Issues in Audiology	1
CSD:6312	Professional Issues in Audiology II and Capstone	1
CSD:6317	Audiology Practice: Business Start-Up	1
CSD:6319	Interprofessional Practice and Community Engagement in Communication Sciences and Disorders	1
CSD:7238	Capstone	1

Additional Audiology Courses

Students complete a minimum of 38 s.h. in additional audiology courses, including required clinical rotations and elective courses.

Clinical Rotations

Students are required to enroll in CSD:5315 Clinical Rotations in Audiology for the first eight fall, spring, and summer sessions in the AuD program. They may concurrently enroll in CSD:5314 Audiology Student Teaching if completing a rotation in a school.

Students are required to enroll in CSD:6316 Advanced Externship in Audiology during the fall and spring semesters of their fourth year in the AuD program. Students will be awarded the MA in speech pathology and audiology en passant if required for temporary licensure to complete the clinical externship.

Audiology Electives

Students work closely with their advisor to determine which electives they should enroll in. Electives must be numbered 3000 and above. Students commonly choose the following courses as electives.

Course #	Title	Hours
CSD:3993	Research Practicum (maximum 2 s.h.)	arr.
CSD:4186	Problems: Speech/Hearing Processes and Disorders (maximum 2 s.h.)	arr.
CSD:6240	Seminar in Audiology	arr.

CSD:7238	Capstone (including the required 1 s.h. above in Core Courses, students are permitted a maximum total of 3 s.h. of this course)	1
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Combined Programs

AuD/PhD in Speech and Hearing Science

For students who are enrolled in the AuD program but interested in research, the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders offers a combined Doctor of Audiology/Doctor of Philosophy program. This option is appropriate for students who have more applied research interests but would like to work in academics.

The combined program requires 131 s.h. of coursework. Students must satisfy all the clinical practicum experiences required for the AuD as well as all of the milestones required for the traditional PhD. Completion time for the two degrees varies but is typically seven years. Details on applying for the combined program can be found in "Admission" in this section of the catalog. For more information, contact the director of PhD studies.

Admission

Applicants must meet the admission requirements of the Graduate College; see the Manual of Rules and Regulations on the Graduate College website.

Admission to the program is competitive and each applicant's credentials are considered in relation to the credentials of others in the applicant pool. Individuals with an undergraduate grade-point average below 3.00 are rarely admitted.

The deadline for application is Jan. 15. All applications to the AuD program must be submitted through the Central Application Service for Communication Science and Disorders (CSDCAS) as well as submit an application to the Graduate Program at the University of Iowa.

Students interested in admission to the combined AuD/PhD program are required to initially apply to the AuD program and be admitted. At the end of their second year in the AuD program, they may formally request permission to change their degree objective. If the faculty approve and a mentor is available, students transition into the AuD/PhD program.

For detailed information regarding the evaluation of applicants, application materials and requirements, and other matters, see Graduate Programs on the department's website.

Career Advancement

The AuD program provides students with excellent preparation for a career as an audiologist. There continues to be a strong demand for audiologists nationwide and it is consistently ranked highly in "best job" surveys. Graduates are often hired as faculty in positions at universities, in industry and clinical positions, and in research settings.