Speech and Hearing Science, B.A.

The undergraduate major in speech and hearing science emphasizes the normal processes of speech, hearing, and language. Coursework for the major prepares students to enroll in either a master’s degree program in speech-language pathology or a clinical doctorate program in audiology (Au.D.). The undergraduate degree does not qualify an individual to work professionally in the field.

Learning Outcomes

Graduating B.A. students in speech and hearing science will have:

• a strong foundational understanding of the physical processes and biological substrates underlying normal audition, normal perception, and production of speech and language;
• a strong foundational understanding of the normal development of speech, language, and hearing;
• finished all prerequisite coursework needed to begin a graduate program in either speech-language pathology or audiology; and
• preparation to begin more advanced graduate coursework focusing on disorders, diagnosis, and treatment.