

**Master of Arts in Speech-Language Pathology, Certifying
Online Program**

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ'S)

1. **Must you be a Colorado resident to apply to the program?**

No, applicants may reside anywhere in the United States or abroad.

2. **Is the program accredited by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association?**

Yes, the program is accredited through 2009.

3. **Do I need to have an undergraduate degree in Communication Disorders to participate in this program?**

This program assumes an undergraduate background in Speech-Language Pathology, Audiology, or Communication Disorders. Students who do not have such a background must complete a core of undergraduate courses prior to beginning the program. A listing of these courses is provided through a link from http://www.unco.edu/nhs/asls/spch_olu.htm

4. **If I complete the Speech-Language Pathology Preparation Program (SLP-Prep), am I automatically admitted to the M.A., Speech-Language Pathology, Online Program?**

No, you must apply for admission to the graduate program following the procedures described at http://www.unco.edu/nhs/asls/app_olma.htm

5. **What is the cost of the program?**

Because this program is cash-funded, there is no differentiation between in-state tuition and out-of-state tuition. Tuition rates are adjusted annually. For the 2007 - 2008 academic year, the tuition for graduate students is \$330 per credit hour.

Is financial aid available?

You may apply for financial aid through the University's Financial Aid Office. University financial aid includes scholarships, student loans, work-study, and other programs. In order to be eligible for these university-wide programs, it is necessary for you to submit a **"Free Application for Federal Student Aid" (FAFSA) by February 15, 2009**. Financial statements submitted after March 1, 2009, will be processed but will receive a lower priority and funding will be subject to funds available. The FAFSA forms and information are available through financial aid offices and public high schools in your area and through the UNC Office of Student Financial Resources.

6. What types of technology must I have access to?

You must have a computer to which you have regular and consistent access. For course delivery through the Blackboard platform, it is recommended that at the minimum the computer you will be using meets the following specifications:

Platform:	Windows 95/98/2000/NT/ME/XP/2007 MacOS 9 or MacOS X
Hardware:	128 MB of RAM and 1G of free hard drive space
Software:	Microsoft Word, Adobe Acrobat Reader
Browser:	Internet Explorer 5.5 or Netscape 4.78 – JavaScript & Cookies must be enabled
Modem:	56K (or faster) or DSL

In addition, students should have a reliable Internet Service Provider (ISP) that provides live technical support, a 16-bit sound card, 16x CD-Rom drive, anti-virus software, a personal email account, and access to a scanner and fax machine.