

SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY

Master of Arts

College of Natural
& Health Sciences

On Campus and Online

As the members of the baby boom generation age, the possibility increases for neurological disorders and associated speech and language impairments. At the same time, medical advances are improving the survival rate of premature infants and trauma and stroke victims.* These developments are increasing the need for speech-language pathologists. At the University of Northern Colorado, you can earn a master's degree in Speech-Language Pathology while getting practical experience in the field.

**source: www.bls.gov/oco/ocos099.htm*

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

You will learn about:

- The scientific basis and development of speech and language
- The nature, prevention, assessment and management of disorders affecting speech and language across the lifespan
- Evidenced-based practice in speech-language pathology
- Evaluation and application of research in the field
- Our graduates go on to work as speech-language pathologists in schools, hospitals, rehabilitation centers and private practice, as well as practice in association with medical specialties including otolaryngology, neurology and pediatrics.

FORMAT

This program has a 61-credit requirement and may be completed on campus or online. It is designed to prepare students for entry-level activity as speech-language pathologists with an emphasis on educating them to be life-long learners with a strong foundation in evidence-based practice and academics. We offer coursework and clinical experiences in child and adult language, phonology, fluency, voice, cochlear implant/aural rehabilitation and augmentative/alternative communication.



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UNIQUE PROGRAM FACTS

- The on-campus program is an approved Western Regional Graduate Program, allowing students from selected Western States to pay in-state rather than out-of-state tuition. These states include North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana, Wyoming, New Mexico, Idaho, Utah, Nevada, Arizona, Washington, Oregon, Alaska and Hawaii.
- Program faculty members have received grants to provide cutting-edge research and services, including grants for standardized patients and other innovations in teaching and an early intervention Scottish Rite clinic.
- Full-time internships in educational and medical settings are required of all students.
- The academic coursework and clinical training emphasizes interdisciplinary collaboration and practices using a clinician-researcher model.
- The program houses a well-equipped community clinic that is part of the Better Business Bureau, providing students with opportunities for real world experiences. The clinic includes a preschool, labs, flexible fiber optic endoscopy equipment and a variety of therapy spaces.

ACCREDITATION

The master's (MA) education program in speech-language pathology at the University of Northern Colorado is accredited by the Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association. As a graduate, you will be eligible to apply for the Certificate of Clinical Competence in Speech-Language Pathology from the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA). You may also qualify for licensure from departments of education and state regulatory agencies in Colorado and most other states.

THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

The Graduate School at the University of Northern Colorado helps you further your academic or professional career with small class sizes, top-notch faculty, sophisticated facilities and affordable tuition in 100-plus programs of study.

We offer master's, doctoral and educational specialist programs in addition to many certificate programs available through on-campus, off-campus and online delivery.

"I love being a student in the UNC Speech-Language Pathology master's program. I am confident that I am receiving an excellent education and developing critical skills needed to be an effective speech-language pathologist. The professors in the program are dedicated to student growth; they truly want us to succeed and become successful clinicians. The course work is challenging and rich. In addition, the clinical experiences are valuable and rewarding."

—Adriane Zachary, graduate student

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