



SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY PARAPROFESSIONAL

60 credit Associate in Applied Science

THE PROGRAM

Students in the SLPP program develop the foundational knowledge and applied skills needed to support speech-language services in educational settings. Emphasis is placed on understanding communication disorders, following therapy plans, and working under the supervision of a licensed speech-language pathologist.

WHAT STUDENTS WILL GAIN

- Knowledge of communication disorders and intervention approaches
- Practical experience supporting speech and language services in school environments, including screenings, therapy tasks, and student progress documentation
- Skills in preparing materials, organizing equipment, and supporting daily clinical operations
- Understanding of professional responsibilities within a multidisciplinary school team, including confidentiality, ethics, and student-centered support practices

CAREER OUTCOMES

Each spring, a limited number of students are admitted to the Speech Language Pathology Paraprofessional program at LRSC after meeting admission requirements. Application materials include:

1. Typed letter of application (1–2 pages, double spaced) outlining reasons for applying, work experience, and a brief biographical sketch
2. Two letters of reference (preferably from employers or instructors, submitted directly to the program coordinator)
3. Completed admission file, including high school and/or college transcripts and assessment scores on file with the Admissions Office
4. Current grade verification for in-progress courses, if applicable (grade sheet or instructor email accepted)
5. Minimum GPA of 2.5 in required support courses: ENGL 110, BIOL 111 or CD 110, and CSCI 101

Application Deadline: October 1st

PROGRAM CONTACTS

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CAREER OUTCOMES

Graduates of the SLPP program are prepared to work in schools as Speech Language Pathology Paraprofessionals under the supervision of a licensed speech-language pathologist. Responsibilities include assisting with screenings, therapy tasks, documentation, and classroom support services. Positions support students with communication needs in K–12 settings and may also serve as a pathway to further education in communication disorders or related fields.

ADVISORS/TRIO & POWERSKILLS

Advisors at LRSC help you create a class schedule and choose electives that build a foundation for upper-division coursework and meet transfer requirements.

TRiO & PowerSkills provide academic support for all students, including tutoring, advising, study support, testing/proctoring, and disability services.

SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY PARAPROFESSIONAL 60-CREDIT PROGRAM

Fall (First Year)	Credits
BIOL 111: Concepts of Biology	4
CD 110: Survey of Communication Disorders	3
CSCI 101: Introduction to Computers	3
ENGL 110: College Composition I	3
Spring	
CD 210: Introduction to Speech Language Pathology Paraprofessionals	3
CD 221: Language Development for the SLPP	3
ENGL 120: College Composition II	3
SPED 110: Introduction to Exceptional Children**	3
General Education: Physical Education	2
Summer	
CD 220: Applied Phonetics for the SLPP	3
CD 222: Articulatory Phonological Disorders for the SLPP	3
Fall (Second Year)	
CD 224: Techniques for the SLPP	3
CD 225: Language Disorders and Intervention Treatments for SLPP	3
PSYC 111: Introduction to Psychology	3
SPED 120: Introduction to Positive Behavior Management**	3
MATH 100 or Higher	3
Spring	
CD 241: Practicum (minimum 100 hours)	4
COMM 110: Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3
PSYC 250: Developmental Psychology	3
SOC 110: Introduction to Sociology	3
Total AAS Credits	
	60