

SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY PARAPROFESSIONAL

63 credit minimum AAS



The Associate in Applied Science (AAS) in Speech Language Pathology Paraprofessional (SLPP) was launched in 2004 to address a critical shortage of SLP paraprofessionals in school settings. The curriculum was designed with assistance from the North Dakota Department of Public Instruction, faculty of the Communication Disorder Department of Minot State University and directors.

ADVISORS/TRiO & PowerSkills

Knowledgeable advisors will help you create a class schedule and choose electives to build strong foundations for upper division coursework and to meet transfer requirements.

TRiO & PowerSkills is an **advising, tutoring, and proctoring resource for everyone**, as well as disability services for students.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Every spring a limited number of students are accepted into the Speech Language Pathology Paraprofessional program at Lake Region State College after meeting LRSC admission requirements and program application guidelines. As part of the application, you will need:

1. **Letter of application** (typed, double spaced, one to two pages) including reason(s) for applying to the program, work experience, and a brief biographical sketch.
2. **Two letters of reference.** Employers and teachers are preferred. Letters should be sent directly from the reference to program coordinator.
3. **Completed Admission File.** This includes: copies of your high school and/or college transcripts and assessment scores. Transcripts must be on file in the Admissions Office at Lake Region State College by the application deadline. See your "To Do List" in the Student Center of Campus Connection for details.
4. **Completion of the grade sheet** indicating the grade earned. Current grades (midterm or later are acceptable if currently enrolled in courses. An email from the instructor to the program coordinator is acceptable.
5. **An overall Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.5** in the required support courses:
 - ENGL 110 – College Composition I
 - BIOL 111 – Concepts of Biology OR
 - BIOL 115 – Human Structure & Function, BIOL 115L – Human Structure and Function Lab
 - CD 110 – Survey of Communication Disorders
 - CSCI 101 – Introduction to Computers

APPLICATION DEADLINE: DECEMBER 1st

WE WANT YOU TO BE SUCCESSFUL...so here are some tips to help:

1. **GET ACQUAINTED WITH YOUR ADVISOR** during the first two weeks of school. He or she will help you select courses which meet core requirements and also support your transfer.
2. **SCHEDULE TIME WITH YOUR ADVISOR** immediately after term schedules are published to choose courses for upcoming semesters.
3. **REGISTER AS EARLY AS YOU CAN** to get into the courses you want and need.
4. **SAVE MONEY BY CARRYING A HEAVIER COURSE LOAD.** Discuss with your advisor if a heavy course load works for you and your schedule. (Tuition & fees cap at 12 and 16, respectively. Other fees may apply and online courses are not included.)
5. **GET STARTED EARLY** Complete all requirements for admission to the Speech Language Pathology Paraprofessional Program as outlined in the SLPP application packet. Contact the Admissions Office to request an application packet.

300k
available in scholarships

Fully accredited
online program
in partnership with
WSC & LRSC

100%
placement rates

\$38k
median wage

14:1
student:faculty ratio

Our goals for you...

Employment opportunities for SLPPs are growing. Administrative rules in North Dakota require individuals who assist speech pathologists to be certified as Speech Language Pathology Paraprofessionals. Graduates of the SLPP program meet this standard. Under the direction of a supervising speech language pathologist, certified Speech Language Pathology Paraprofessionals can carry out the following services:

- Speech language screenings
- Therapeutic tasks
- Documentation and reports on student progress
- Support services including scheduling, materials preparation, equipment acquisition and space maintenance

Speech Language Pathology Paraprofessional (AAS)

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| BIOL 111: Concepts of Biology OR | 4 |
| BIOL 115: Human Structure and Function** | 3 |
| BIOL 115L: Human Structure and Function Lab** | 1 |
| CD 110: Survey of Communication Disorders | 3 |
| CD 210: Introduction to Speech Language Pathology Paraprofessionals | 3 |
| CD 220: Applied Phonetics for the SLPP | 3 |
| CD 221: Language Development for the SLPP | 3 |
| CD 222: Articulatory Phonological Disorders for the SLPP | 3 |
| CD 224: Techniques for the SLPP | 3 |
| CD 225: Language Disorders and Intervention Treatments for SLPP | 3 |
| CD 241: Practicum (minimum 100 hours) | 4 |
| COMM 110: Fundamentals of Public Speaking | 3 |
| CSCI 101: Introduction to Computers | 3 |
| ENGL 110: College Composition I | 3 |
| ENGL 120: College Composition II | 3 |
| MATH: Mathematics course (100 or higher) | 3 |
| PSYC 111: Introduction to Psychology | 3 |
| PSYC 250: Developmental Psychology | 3 |
| SOC 110: Introduction to Sociology | 3 |
| SPED 120: Introduction to Behavior Management** | 3 |
| SPED 110: Introduction to Exceptional Children** | 3 |
| Gen ED: Physical Education (HPER/University 101) | 2 |

Total AAS Credits

minimum 63

***Course offered online from Williston State College*