



Master of Arts in CSD (Speech-Language Pathology): 2025–2027 Curriculum

The MA-CSD curriculum requires full-time study for a period of two years (57 credit hours over 5-6 semesters). Refer to the College of Health Professions section of the WSU Graduate Catalog for additional information. **Important Note:** Curriculum requirements are subject to change. Please contact the Department of CSD for the most recent information. Graduate students complete their degree program according to academic requirements in effect at the time their plan of study is filed with the Graduate School.

First Year					
Fall Semester	17 hrs	Spring Semester	16 hrs	Summer Semester	4 hrs
CSD 809 Language and Literacy for Young Children	3	CSD 817 Voice Disorders	3	CSD 841 AAC Lab	1
CSD 812 Aphasia	3	CSD 710 Autism Spectrum Disorder	3	CSD 842 Cultural and Linguistic Diversity in CSD	1
CSD 814 Speech Sound Disorders	2	CSD 815 Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC)*	1	CSD 843 Orofacial Myofunctional Disorders	1
CSD 818 Fluency Disorders	3	CSD 816 Language and Literacy for School-Age and Adolescents	3	CSD 822 General Clinic Practicum	1
CSD 831 Auditory Assessment–SLP Practicum	1	CSD 832B Critical Thinking in Clinical Practice II	1		
CSD 832A Critical Thinking in Clinical Practice I	2	CSD 837 Clinical Assessment of Speech-Language Disorders	1		
CSD 836 Professional Writing and Clinical Documentation	1	CSD 839 Pediatric Dysphagia	2		
CSD 891 Nonthesis Research	1	CSD 891 Nonthesis Research or CSD 895 Thesis Research	1		
CSD 822 General Clinic Practicum	1	CSD 822 General Clinic Practicum	1		
Second Year					
Fall Semester	10 hrs	Spring Semester	10 hrs	Summer Semester	(3 hrs)
CSD 810 Motor Speech Disorders	2	CSD 705 Counseling in Communication Disorders	2	CSD 823 Medical Settings Practicum (For students who complete a 16-week CSD 821 practicum in the Spring and do not complete the Spring CSD 823 practicum)	(3)
CSD 819 Cognitive Communication Disorders	2	CSD 834 Interprofessional Evidence-Based Practice*	1		
CSD 832C Critical Thinking In Clinical Practice III	2	CSD 891 Nonthesis Research or CSD 899 Thesis	1		
CSD 838 Supervisory Process in SLP and Audiology	1	CSD 821 Educational Settings Practicum	3		
CSD 840 Adult Dysphagia	2	CSD 823 Medical Settings Practicum	3		
CSD 822 General Clinical Practicum	1				

* January pre-session course

MENTORED RESEARCH PROJECT

Three credit hours of a mentored research project—(1) Nonthesis or (2) Thesis—are required to complete the program. Nonthesis research projects (completed during the first-year Fall and Spring semesters, and one semester thereafter) may be completed by individuals or teams, as appropriate. Students pursuing the thesis option must complete their projects according to Graduate School requirements and deadlines.

(1) Nonthesis Option (3 credit hours total)

CSD 891 Nonthesis Research
(Repeated for credit for 3 semesters)

(2) Thesis Option (3 credit hours total)

CSD 891 Nonthesis Research (1 credit hour; first Fall semester)

CSD 895 Thesis Research (1 credit hour)

CSD 899 Thesis (1 credit hour; taken during the semester of the oral defense and final thesis document)

PREREQUISITE COURSES (not counted toward MA-CSD degree; foundational courses may be taken at the graduate level)

Fall Semester (12 hours)

CSD 251 Auditory Development and Disorders (3)
CSD 301 A&P of the Speech and Hearing Mechanisms (3)
CSD 504 Aural Rehabilitation (3)
CSD 512 Communication in Special Populations: Children (3)

Spring Semester (12 hours)

CSD 304 Early Language Development (3)
CSD 306 Applied Phonetics (3)
CSD 506 Acoustic and Perceptual Phonetics (3)
HS 585 Clinical Neuroscience (3)

Fall or Spring Semester (2 hours)

CSD 425 Introduction to Clinical Processes (2)

Recommended course

Research Methods (independent research projects do not fulfill this requirement)

Foundational courses required for ASHA certification

Biological Sciences (content cannot be related to CSD)

Physical Sciences (i.e., physics or chemistry; content cannot be related to CSD)

Statistics (content cannot be research methods)

Social Sciences and Behavioral Sciences (e.g., psychology, sociology, public health, or anthropology)

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