

**Western Washington University**  
**Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders**  
**2023-2025 Undergraduate Lock-Step Program in Communication Sciences and Disorders**

The Communication Sciences and Disorders Department offers undergraduate coursework for students who intend to pursue a **major** in Communication Sciences and Disorders (CSD) in preparation for a graduate degree in speech-language pathology or audiology. Students wishing to declare a major in Communication Sciences and Disorders must have: 1) completed at least 75 credits; 2) successfully completed or be currently enrolled in CSD 251; and 3) achieved a Western GPA (based on at least 12 credits) of 2.70 or higher. A grade of at least B- (2.70) in each of the core courses (CSD 251, 352, and 356) may substitute for the overall 2.70 GPA. A **minor** of 24 credits or more is required in addition to completing all CSD major coursework (students may substitute a second major in place of the required minor). A self-designed minor is acceptable, **with prior approval of the advisor**.

**CSD MAJOR TOTAL CREDIT HOURS (MINIMUM) FOR A B.A. DEGREE = 58-59**

CSD Course Number	Course Title	Credits
*251	Introduction to Communication Disorders	3
*352	Anatomy and Physiology of the Speech Mechanism	5
*353	Speech Science	5
*354	Speech and Language Development in Children	4
*356	Phonetics and Phonology	4
*361	Developmental Language Disorders	5
*371	Hearing Science	3
*372	Anatomy, Physiology, and Disorders of Hearing and Balance	4
*450	Neuroanatomy for Speech Pathology and Audiology	4
*457	Clinical Processes	5
*462	Audiometric Testing	4
*463	Aural Rehabilitation	4
*LIBR403	Library Research Tutorial	1
*Choose two of three electives		
E490	Social, Political, Cultural Aspects of Communication Disorders	3
E453	Introduction to Speech Disorders	4
E470	Acq Disorders Lang and Cog in Adults	4

\* Required Courses

E Elective Course (choose 2 of 3)

**A. Note regarding ASHA certification requirements:** Speech-language pathologists and audiologists are certified by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA). Students must complete at least one course in each of the following areas in order to meet certification requirements: 1) biological sciences, 2) social/behavioral sciences, 3) physics or chemistry, *and* 4) statistics. Not a major requirement.

**B. Note regarding Clinical Observations:** Not a major requirement. However, all students must observe a minimum of 25 hours of diagnosis and/or treatment prior to participating in clinical practicum (speech, audiology, and aural rehabilitation) in graduate school.

**C. Writing Proficiency Courses:** Majors in CSD meet WWU writing proficiency requirements by completing CSD 361, CSD 463 & 457.

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**CSD Major**

**FALL (Junior year 2023)**

CSD 251	Introduction to Communication Disorders <i>(may be taken fall, spring, or summer of sophomore year)</i>	3
CSD 352	Anatomy and Physiology of the Speech Mechanism	5
CSD 356	Phonetics and Phonology	4

**Total = 9 to 12 credits**

**WINTER (Junior year 2024)**

CSD 354	Speech and Language Development in Children	4
CSD 371	Hearing Science	3
CSD 372	Anat, Phys & Disorders Hear and Balance	4
LIBR 403	Library Research Tutorial	1

**Total = 12 credits**

**SPRING (Junior year 2024)**

CSD 353	Speech Science	5
CSD 361	Developmental Language Disorders – WP1	5
CSD 462	Audiometric Testing <i>(or summer of junior year)</i>	4

**Total = 10 to 14 credits**

**FALL (Senior year 2024)**

CSD 463	Aural Rehabilitation <i>(or summer** of junior year)</i> – WP1	4
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**Total = 0 to 4 credits**

**WINTER (Senior year 2025)**

CSD 457	Clinical Processes – WP1	5
CSD 453#	Introduction to Speech Disorders	4

**Total = 5 to 9 credits**

**SPRING (Senior year 2025)**

CSD 490#	Social, Political, and Cultural Aspects of Comm Disorders	3
CSD 470#	Acq Disorders Lang and Cog in Adults	4
CSD 450	Neuroanatomy for Speech Path & Audiology	4

**Total = 7 to 11 credits**

**\*\*Summer curriculum offerings are subject to change**  
**# Take two of three electives**