Western Washington University
The Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders
Post-baccalaureate Program

FALL 2021
A GROWING DEMAND FOR SPECIALISTS

The Communication Sciences and Disorders (CSD) Department at Western Washington University offers a Post-baccalaureate Program designed to prepare students who do not have a baccalaureate degree in CSD for graduate-level study in the fields of speech-language pathology or audiology. In this concentrated study, students gain a broad understanding of the scientific and social aspects of normal and disordered speech, language and hearing processes. The post-baccalaureate program serves as a stepping-stone for those whose long-term goals include a graduate degree and professional certification in Speech-Language Pathology or Audiology. Applicants must have a transferable bachelor’s degree from an accredited institution in a major other than Communication Sciences and Disorders.

QUALITY PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

This lock-step program begins fall quarter and continues sequentially through summer. Generally, midway through the first year, students apply to a graduate program in Speech-Language Pathology or Audiology.

The Outreach and Continuing Education department (OCE) administers the program. It is important to note that acceptance into this post-baccalaureate program does not guarantee acceptance into the graduate programs. These are two separate programs; it will be necessary to apply to the graduate programs the following year.

Post-baccalaureate coursework explores the anatomy and physiology of speech and hearing mechanisms, disorders, testing, clinical processes, and rehabilitation. Classes meet weekdays on Western’s Bellingham campus. Credits awarded are recorded on official University transcripts.

*You can refer to Page 8 to view the courses for all four quarters of the lockstep program of the post-baccalaureate program.

CLINICAL DOCTORATE IN AUDIOLOGY, AuD

The Department of Communication Sciences and Disorder’s Clinical Doctorate in Audiology, AuD has been approved by Western Washington University and the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities. The Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology (CAA) the nationally recognized accrediting agency for graduate programs in the profession and awarded Candidacy Status to the program. Students have been admitted and enrolled and the initial cohort began studies during Fall 2017. To learn more about this Clinical Doctorate Program, refer to this https://chss.wwu.edu/csd/audiology-aud.
ELIGIBILITY

Applicants must have a transferable bachelor’s degree from an accredited institution in a major other than Communication Sciences and Disorders and a 3.0 cumulative GPA.

APPLICATION PROCESS

There are two separate application processes: First, you will apply for admission to Western Washington University (WWU). Second, you will apply to the CSD Post-baccalaureate Program for acceptance into the program.

- Priority fall application deadline is February 1st
- Final fall application deadline is March 1st

Applications are accepted on a space-available basis after the priority deadline.

APPLICATION for ADMISSION TO WWU

1. U.S. Residents – you will submit the online “transfer & post-baccalaureate application for admission” and pay the non-refundable processing fee, please refer to this link https://admissions.wwu.edu/post-baccalaureate.

*You are applying for an extension program, to ensure your admission application is completed accurately for the program, please refer to the instructions below.

1. Application Information – check the boxes per the highlighted areas below.

Refer to page 5; 9. Academic Interest – check the boxes per the highlighted areas below.
APPLICATION for ADMISSION TO WWU Cont.

2. **International Students** – you will submit the online “international undergraduate student application for admission” and pay the non-refundable processing fee, please refer to this link https://admissions.wwu.edu/international/international-apply.

*You are applying for an extension program, to ensure your admission application is completed accurately for the program, please refer to the instructions below.

1. **Application Information** – check the boxes per the highlighted areas below.

Refer to page 4; 8. **Academic Interests** – Complete the area per below.

**Good to know**

9. **Statement of Financial Responsibility**

I understand that I will not receive financial aid from Western Washington University and thus am responsible for providing my own funding for educational expenses. A bank verification will be required after enrollment confirmation. Your I-20 cannot be processed without bank verification. To prevent a delay in your visa processing, we encourage you to attach now or send your bank verification as soon as possible.
APPLICATION for ADMISSION TO WWU Cont.

ADMISSION Requirements for all applicants (Resident and Non-resident)

- All applicants will submit an original official transcript from each college or university attended.
- All transcripts must be sent directly from your college to Western’s Office of Admissions; electronically or in an official sealed envelope.
- Mail your transcripts to the Office of Admissions to the address listed below:
  Office of Admission
  516 High Street MS9009
  Bellingham, WA  98225-9009

- Electronically send your transcript to admit@wwu.edu

APPLICATION for ADMISSION TO THE CSD POST-BACCALAUREATE PROGRAM

- Submit a one-page statement of purpose
- Submit a one-page resume that includes your professional background and experience. *(font size no smaller than 11 and one-inch side margins for all materials).*
- Submit three letters of recommendation addressed to Dr. Jennifer Thistle, Director Post-baccalaureate Program. It is recommended to provide two letters of recommendation from faculty if possible.

Sending your required application documents: statement of purpose, resume, and letters

- Mail to:
  Western Washington University
  Outreach and Continuing Education, MS 9102
  Attn: Jenny Hebert
  516 High Street
  Bellingham, WA 98225-9102

- Electronically send to:
  jenny.hebert@wwu.edu

COMPLETED APPLICATIONS (two parts)

Once you have completed the online Admission Application (admission to WWU); this includes receipt of your official transcript(s), and you have submitted all of the required documents for admission to the CSD Post-baccalaureate program; your program application will be considered complete. Your application file will be forwarded to the Post-baccalaureate Director for review.
ACCEPTED APPLICATIONS

Upon review of your completed application file, and should you be accepted into the program; you will be contacted by the CSD Program Coordinator and receive instructions for next steps.

Please note: We accept approximately 18 students into the program, we advise having your application complete and ready for review by the priority deadline of February 1st.

Completed applications that meet the priority deadline should receive notification of acceptance into the program approximately mid-February.

Applications received after the priority deadline will be reviewed following the March 1st fall quarter admission application deadline. Applications are accepted on a space-available basis.

SELECTIVE SERVICE

State-mandated enrollment limits do not affect the Communication Sciences and Disorders Post-baccalaureate Program. However, due to the specialized nature of this program, enrollment is limited.

Please note: Admission is limited to program courses and does not constitute admission to Western Washington University’s regular (non-extension) programs or courses.

FINANCIAL AID

If you are planning to apply for financial aid to help defray the cost of tuition and fees, please refer to the Financial Aid website http://www.finaid.wwu.edu/. To be eligible for financial aid, you will be required to complete a FAFSA.

QUESTIONS

We will be offering online Information Sessions starting in October, you can find these dates on the CSD website; information session sign-ups will be available soon, keep checking for updates.

Due to COVID-19, site tours have been suspended through the fall 2020 quarter. If possible, tours will be available January through May. To schedule a one-on-one information session and/or a site tour please complete this form.
CONTACT INFORMATION

APPLICATION and GENERAL QUESTIONS

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INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SERVICES
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Current Western Washington University policies and procedures apply to all students registering for any class and are contained within the University’s General Bulletin available online at www.wwu.edu. To request disability accommodation or assistance in the application process, please contact Jenny Hebert at (360) 650-7780.
### PROGRAM COURSES (Lockstep Program)

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Must take at least 1 elective, may take all three

**Total credits: 49-57**

For costs, please refer to the Tuition and Fee Schedule on the Student Business Office website [https://wp.wwu.edu/sbo/tuition-and-fee-schedule/](https://wp.wwu.edu/sbo/tuition-and-fee-schedule/).
## Student Budgets

### 2021 – 2022 Academic Year estimated Extension Program Budget

The *estimated* expenses are based on the 2020-2021 academic year rates for full-time undergraduate students. *rates for 2021 – 2022 will not be available until late June 2021*

### Undergraduate – Extension Program

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<td><strong>$31,652 - $34,268</strong></td>
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### Other Standard Costs – Budget Items

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### Important Notes:

- The *estimated* budget above does not include summer quarter tuition (12 credits), and is based on 2019-2020 tuition and other fee rates
- Summer quarter 2020 rates; Resident $267.00/credit Non-resident tuition $427.00/credit | S&A fee $11.26/credit (up to 10 credits) | Mandatory fees $376.96 | Int’l Student Insurance $370.00
- Academic year 2021 – 2022 tuition rates should be available late June 2021; “Other Standard Costs” should be available soon
- Summer 2021 tuition and other fee rates will be available approximately February-March 2021

### Important Information for International Students:

- International and Canadian residents must complete the “international undergraduate student application for admission” (refer to pg. 4 for the link to the application and other information). This application will include a required “Statement of Financial Responsibility” (refer to pg. 4 of the application)
- Please use this *estimated* budget when completing your International Supplement Application
- Once you have been accepted into the CSD Post-baccalaureate Program, you will need to contact Richard Bruce for the required paperwork for entry into the U.S.; his contact information can be located on pg. 7
CHECKLIST

Now that you have read through the CSD Post-baccalaureate Program Information Guide

☐ Submit the online WWU Admission Application and submit materials for admission to the CSD Program by February 1st to meet the priority deadline [submit no later than March 1st for consideration into the program]

☐ WWU admission application for U.S. residents – please submit the “transfer & post-baccalaureate application for admission” (refer to pg. 3 for the application link and other information)

☐ WWU admission for International students – please submit the “international undergraduate student application for admission” (refer to pg. 4 for the application link and other information)

☐ Submit the non-refundable admission application processing fee

☐ Submit a copy of official transcript(s) from each college/university attended, to the Office of Admission (more information on pg. 5)

☐ Start gathering the required CSD Post-baccalaureate Program application documents

☐ Submit a one-page Statement of Purpose

☐ Submit a one-page Resume that includes your professional background and experience. Work experience that may be related or relevant to the following settings or services:
  ● Varied medical settings  ● Varied educational settings  ● Working with individuals with disabilities  ● Recreational settings  ● Multi-cultural experiences

Work and/or relevant volunteer experience most related to the field:
  ● Working in a medical office  ● Teaching  ● Teaching English as a Second Language  ● Multicultural Experiences  ● Travel Abroad  ● Working as a care-giver or nanny

Do you speak other languages?

Volunteer:  ● Camp Counselor  ● Girls on the Run Coach  ● Conversation partner for individual post-stroke at a retirement home

☐ Request and Submit three letters of recommendation. It is advised to submit at least two letters from faculty. Have letters addressed to Dr. Jennifer Thistle, Post-baccalaureate Director  ● Your recommenders can mail the letters directly to WWU or email to the CSD Program Coordinator  ● Or you can collect all three letters and mail them to WWU with your resume and statement of purpose