



**Master of Science in Speech-Language Pathology
2017-2018 Admission Requirements**

Program Details: The MSc in Speech Language Pathology (SLP) is designed to develop competencies in the prevention, evaluation, treatment and management of articulation, language, fluency, voice and resonance disorders as well as in the fundamental practices of audiology, which is concerned with the identification, assessment, and rehabilitation of individuals with hearing disorders. However, this program does not qualify students to work as audiologists. The program is designed to provide students with the academic and clinical education required for SLP certification by provincial and national professional associations. Applicants interested in Speech-Language Pathology must first complete a 4-year undergraduate program. The Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders (formerly known as the Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology) does not recommend one undergraduate degree over another.

Quota: 56 Students

Minimum Standards: A minimum GPA of 3.3 (4.0 scale) is required for admission into a graduate program at the University of Alberta. However, a GPA of 3.7 (4.0 scale) is recommended for a competitive application to the MSc SLP program in the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders at the University of Alberta.

Please note: meeting the minimum standards does not guarantee admission.

Admission Requirements:

- I. Prerequisite Courses:
Application to the MSc SLP program requires the completion of a four-year undergraduate degree and the completion of eight prerequisite courses.
 - Statistics (★3)
 - Child Development or Developmental Psychology (★3)
 - Cognitive psychology (★3)
 - Neuroanatomy or Neuropsychology (★3)
 - Introductory Linguistics (★3)
 - Articulatory Phonetics (★3)
 - Child Language Development, Child Language Acquisition, or First Language Acquisition (★3)
 - One Additional Linguistics Course (★3) If the Introductory Linguistics course was a full-year course (★6), no additional coursework will be necessary

- II. Other Requirements:
 1. English Language Requirements: Applicants must meet English requirements as specified in the University of Alberta Calendar including Spoken English language proficiency.
 2. Resume: Students are to provide a personal resume outlining relevant information to strengthen their application.



3. Statement of Career Interests: 1-2 pages (preferably double-spaced) explaining why you want to be a Speech-Language Pathologist.
4. GRE (Graduate Records Exam): Students considering applying to the Msc SLP program are required to take the General Test (GRE). Writing of the GRE should be done before the end of December. When taking the GRE test, please use School Code 0963.
5. Three Letters of Recommendation: At least 2 out of 3 need to be academic.

III. Selection Process:

1. After the application deadline, all complete application files are prepared for the Admissions Committee to review. The Committee then has several meetings to discuss applications. The Committee identifies applicants who should be recommended for acceptance, as well as a waiting list of qualified applicants.
2. Although the Department's Admissions Committee makes the recommendation for acceptance, FGSR makes the final determination of acceptance, after determining that the credentials are valid and the transcripts are admissible.

Recommended Alberta High School Prerequisites (or equivalent):

- Math 30-1
- Biology 30
- English 30-1

Deadlines:

Application Deadline: January 31, 2017