

A young child with dark hair and light-colored eyes is wearing large, white over-ear headphones. The child is looking off to the side with a thoughtful expression. The background is softly blurred, suggesting an indoor setting with windows.

MERCY COLLEGE

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN
**COMMUNICATION
DISORDERS**

SCHOOL OF HEALTH AND NATURAL SCIENCES

AN M.S. IN COMMUNICATION DISORDERS IS YOUR FIRST STEP TO A MEANINGFUL AND SUCCESSFUL CAREER

Careers in speech/language pathology are on the rise, with jobs expected to grow by 19 percent through 2022.* The graduate program in Communication Disorders at Mercy College prepares students to meet those increasing job needs and practice professional speech-language pathology by providing a challenging and rewarding curriculum with real-world experiences.

We incorporate clinical education into the curriculum, expose students to real-world settings and include experiences both at the on-site Speech and Hearing Center and in over 150 metropolitan area facilities. Students evaluate and treat people of varying ages and cultural/linguistic backgrounds who display a variety of communication disorders.

**According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics*



PROGRAM FAST FACTS

- 59-credit program, which can be completed in two years and one summer for full-time students
- Faculty of speech-language pathologists and audiologists who are active in the field and nationally recognized for their expertise
- All faculty supervise practicum in the on-site Speech and Hearing Center
- Graduates have had a 100 percent pass rate on the National Certification Exam (Praxis) for the past three years
- Program is housed at our main campus in Dobbs Ferry

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

- SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST
- SPEECH AND HEARING SCIENTIST
- LANGUAGE RESEARCHER
- NYS EDUCATION DEPARTMENT TEACHER OF STUDENTS WITH SPEECH-LANGUAGE DISABILITIES (TSSLD)*

**This certification requires a master's degree in communication disorders, additional coursework in education classes, attendance at workshops and completion of a student teaching experience prior to the application to the New York State Education Department.*

ADMISSIONS AND MATRICULATION REQUIREMENTS

- A baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university with an overall undergraduate GPA of 3.2 or higher
 - A completed application for admission with a nonrefundable fee. Apply through the Communication Science Disorders Central Application Service (CSDCAS), <https://portal.csdcas.org>
 - Applicants will be selected for an interview based on a review of the written admissions materials
 - Students must maintain an overall GPA of 3.0 in order to maintain matriculation in the graduate program.
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- *Admission requires a minimum GPA of 3.2 in prerequisite coursework. Application deadline is February 1.*

PROGRAM PREREQUISITES

- B.S./B.A. degree in Communication Disorders or related field. For students with a B.S./B.A. degree in another field, the following courses must be taken within the last 10 years:
 - *Anatomy and Physiology of the Speech and Hearing Mechanism*
 - *Phonetics*
 - *Speech and Hearing Science*
 - *Introduction to Communication Disorders (Speech Pathology I)*
 - *Introduction to Audiology*
 - *Normal Speech and Language Development*
 - *Introduction to Linguistics*
- Students without a B.S. or B.A. degree can apply for our B.S. in Communication Disorders Program, which includes prerequisites and pre-professional training.

The Masters in Science in Communication Disorders at Mercy College is accredited by the Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology of the American Speech-Language Hearing Association, 2200 Research Boulevard, #310, Rockville, MD 20850, 800-498-2071 or 301-296-5700.



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