Communication Disorders
Department of Health Professions

Mercy College’s undergraduate Communication Disorders (same as speech-language pathology/audiology) program is the premier Bachelor of Science Program in the metropolitan New York area.

The Communication Disorders Program’s mission is to combine a solid liberal arts and sciences foundation with an introduction to communication disorders theory and clinical experience. We welcome students from all fields of study, from diverse cultural and linguistic backgrounds.

The Bachelor of Science degree curriculum includes coursework in both academic and clinical areas: speech and swallowing disorders, language disorders, audiology, anatomy, speech and hearing science, and a clinical practicum. In their last year of study, students may be offered a clinical practicum experience in Mercy’s on-site clinic where they are supervised by our expert NYS licensed and American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) certified faculty members while conducting therapy with clients. The goal of the undergraduate program is to provide students with a pre-professional foundation for graduate study in communication disorders with a scientific/clinically-based curriculum.

Coursework is in basic human communication processes as well as foundation courses in speech-language pathology and audiology.

Through “learning by doing” and with a faculty comprised of speech-language pathologists and audiologists who all supervise in our on-site Speech and Hearing Center, the program prepares you for graduate study in communication disorders, education, special education, teaching the deaf and hearing impaired, psychology and social work.

Students with a bachelor’s degree and the required prerequisite courses can directly apply to the Master of Science Program. A master’s degree is mandatory for entry level into the profession of speech-language pathology. As of 2007, a doctoral degree is mandatory as entry level for practice in audiology.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

Careers in communication disorders include: speech-language pathologist, audiologist, speech and hearing scientist, language scientist and NYS Education Department...
Teacher of Students with Speech-Language Disabilities (TSSLD). (Note: This certification requires a master’s degree in communication disorders and additional academic and clinical experience, workshop attendance in education and completion of a student teaching experience, prior to application to the New York State Education Department.)

Courses of Interest:
Communication Disorders students study a wide array of courses, including: Multicultural Issues in Communication Disorders, Anatomy and Physiology of Speech and Hearing Mechanisms, Phonetics and Aural Rehabilitation to name a few.

DID YOU KNOW?
Communication Disorders students have had a 100 percent pass rate on the national licensing exam for the past six years.

CAMPUS:
Dobbs Ferry

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:
What are the speech-language pathology and/or audiology requirements?
Generally, a graduate degree in speech-language pathology, audiology, communication disorders, communication science and disorders or speech and hearing sciences. The degree includes academic coursework and clinical practicum, and culminates in eligibility for certification by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA). Most states, including New York, require licensure.

How competitive are the graduate programs?
Students must excel at the undergraduate level overall and in the major courses with an overall GPA of 3.2 in the undergraduate record or GPA of 3.2 in the last two years.

How can I get clinical experiences as an undergraduate in communication disorders?
Undergraduate students are exposed firsthand to professional speech and language therapy practices by observing sessions in our speech and hearing center. Students also receive mentoring and supervision by expert faculty members who are licensed by New York State and certified by ASHA.
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Bachelor of Science Veterinary Technology Department of Health Professions

Today’s veterinary technologists are licensed professionals who team with veterinarians to offer state-of-the-art veterinary care. The Mercy College Veterinary Technology Program is fully accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) and leads to a four-year baccalaureate degree and the title, veterinary technologist.

The Program provides graduates with a superior education combined with the technical skills they need to succeed as veterinary technologists. Affiliations with ultrasophisticated, multi-specialty practices, such as Cornell University Veterinary Specialists and the Animal Specialty Center, provide cutting-edge instruction by nationally renowned experts both on- and off-campus.

This Program emphasizes development of the critical thinking and technical skills needed for professional success. Two full-semester externships, generally completed in the senior year, provide a considerable amount of clinical training. The first externship is in general small animal medicine and surgery, while second externship experience provides the student with the opportunity to be immersed in an area of specialty. This combined with the in-depth scientific and medical knowledge provided by the Program offers you superior skills and competence.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

Veterinary Technologists practice in an expanding variety of areas, including small animal medicine, large animal medicine, exotic animal medicine, zoo animal medicine, marine animal medicine, equine medicine and shelter medicine. There are opportunities in areas of specialization, such as emergency and critical care medicine, anesthesia, surgery, dentistry, internal medicine, ophthalmology, diagnostic imaging and physical rehabilitation.

Other careers in veterinary medicine for veterinary technologists include:

- Teaching in schools of veterinary medicine and veterinary technology
- Veterinary practice management
- Biomedical research
- Pharmaceutical sales and marketing
- Animal behavior
- Animal nutrition
- Military and government service

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**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:**

**What type of student is well suited for the program?**

The curriculum is academically rigorous and scientifically oriented. It is designed for the motivated learner who can successfully pursue an intense educational experience. The student must possess a strong ability to focus and a serious interest in a career in veterinary medicine. Along with solid academic skills, the student must have compassion for animals, empathy and concern for people, and the capacity to work cooperatively and productively with others.

**When can I apply to the Veterinary Technology Program?**

Satisfactory completion of VETC 101 Introduction to Veterinary Science and MATH 116 College Algebra with grades of C or better are essential prerequisites to your being admitted into the Veterinary Technology Program. Introduction to Veterinary Science must be taken at Mercy College. Please refer to the Mercy College Undergraduate Catalog for specific admission requirement. The Catalog may be accessed at www.mercy.edu.
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The Mercy College Pre-Veterinary Medicine Program is unique in its veterinary-oriented curriculum which immerses students in veterinary medicine, with courses in animal physiology, veterinary pharmacology, clinical laboratory techniques and small animal medicine. This level of specialized preparation for veterinary school is unparalleled. The curriculum is academically rigorous and challenging.

To maximize clinical research experience, students complete a 360-hour externship in clinical veterinary medicine.

This program leads to a Bachelor of Science in Veterinary Technology with a specialization in Pre-Veterinary Medicine.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

Opportunities for veterinarians are nearly limitless and include:

- Private clinical practice
- Small animal
- Large animal
- Equine
- Mixed practice
- Specialization with board certification
  - Anesthesiology
  - Behavior
  - Dentistry
  - Dermatology
  - Emergency and Critical Care
  - Internal medicine
  - Cardiology
  - Neurology
  - Oncology
  - Radiology
  - Surgery
  - Exotics
  - Ophthalmology
- Public Health
  - U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)
  - U.S. Food & Drug Administration (FDA)
  - Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
  - National Institute of Health (NIH)
- Teaching and Research
  - Colleges and Universities
  - Pharmaceutical research
  - Biomedical research

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CARER OPPORTUNITIES
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- Military
  - U.S. Army Veterinary Corps
  - U.S. Air Force Biomedical Science Corps
- Other career paths
  - Zoologic medicine
  - Aquatic animal medicine
  - Animal shelter medicine
  - Aerospace medicine
  - Wildlife management

COURSES OF INTEREST:
Pre-Veterinary students study a wide array of courses, including: Anatomy of Domestic Animals Laboratory, Clinical Laboratory Techniques and Analysis and Applied Clinical Veterinary Nursing to name a few.

CAMPUSES:
Dobbs Ferry

DID YOU KNOW?
The program is specifically designed to immerse you in veterinary medicine. Courses are taught by veterinarians and licensed veterinary technologists with years of clinical experience. Faculty and guest instructors include nationally renowned, board certified veterinary specialists.

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What are my chances of acceptance into veterinary school?
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CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:
By choosing a career as an occupational therapy assistant, you’ll have the opportunity to make a difference in people’s lives while entering a rewarding profession that has flexible and diverse job opportunities in areas such as: acute care hospitals, rehab hospitals, schools and pre-schools, early intervention, nursing homes, sub-acute care, adult day care, home care, design and accessibility consulting and home modification, driver rehabilitation and training, ergonomics consulting, health and wellness consulting, low vision services, private practice or community health services along with many other areas.

COURSES OF INTEREST:
OTA students study a wide array of courses, including: Therapeutic Modalities, Medical Conditions, Adulthood and Maturity and Childhood and Adolescence to name a few.

DID YOU KNOW?
All of the OTA major concentration classes are held Monday - Thursday evenings at the Dobbs Ferry Campus. Weekend labs are held

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How can I apply to the program?
Students first need to be admitted to Mercy College in order to apply to the program. Prior to being given an interview appointment, transcripts will be screened to see that the minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75 is met, and that the student places at least at the level of English 111. All prospective students who qualify are interviewed during March for the fall semester (deadline is March 31) and in October for the spring semester (deadline is October 31).

All coursework (including Level II Fieldwork) must be completed within 5 years from initiation of coursework. Therefore, at the maximum, students have two years to complete the core coursework and 18 months to complete Level II Fieldwork. The length of the program depends on the number of transfer credits with which a candidate may enter the program. Transfer credits are evaluated by the Admissions department at the time of application to the college or the program.

What are the fieldwork requirements of the program?

**Level I:** Each of the major module application courses (seven Credit - Childhood & Adolescents & seven Credit - Adulthood & Maturity) has imbedded in the course 1 credit towards a Fieldwork I experience. This experience requires 21 hours of fieldwork time that may be taken on a once-a-week, part-time or consecutive-day basis depending on the site. All fieldwork experiences are arranged by the program’s clinical education coordinator and must be successfully completed over the duration of the appropriate semester in order to pass each seven-credit major module course.

**Level II:** Once all academic coursework is successfully completed for the program, students are required to complete a minimum of (two) eight to ten-week full-time fieldwork placements. Fieldwork II placements typically are scheduled Monday through Friday; but some may require weekend hours. Requirements are based on the operating hours of the assigned fieldwork site and supervisor. Fieldwork II placements may be taken in consecutive semesters or in some circumstances, students may have a semester between fieldwork experiences. The fieldwork experiences are arranged by the Associate Director/Clinical Education Coordinator. Every attempt will be made to schedule fieldwork within one hour travel time from your home. Both Fieldwork level II experiences must be completed within 18 months of the completion of academic coursework.
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Nursing (RN to BS)
Department of Health Professions
The Mercy College Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program is designed for Registered Nurses who have an associate’s degree, or who have graduated from a diploma program in nursing and are planning to return to school for a bachelor’s degree.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

Graduates of the RN-BS program enjoy the opportunities of professional advancement, and admiration from colleagues and employers. Mercy College graduates practice at healthcare agencies such as Montefiore Medical Center, Westchester Medical Center, Northern Westchester Hospital, Rockland Psychiatric Hospital, Armed Forces and Visiting Nurse Service among others.

COURSES OF INTEREST:

RN to BS Nursing students study a wide array of courses, including: Contemporary Concepts in Professional Nursing, Transcultural Nursing, and Pathophysiology and Clinical Reasoning for Nursing to name a few.

CAMPUSSES:

Dobbs Ferry, the Bronx and entirely online.

DID YOU KNOW?

This program has been designed for the part-time or full-time student. A student may enroll for 3-16 credits a semester. Courses are scheduled for a combination of evenings, days, weekends (general education classes) and/or online. A variety of schedule patterns and teaching and learning methods are utilized. Nursing courses are offered at the Dobbs Ferry, the Bronx, select off-campus locations and online Campuses.

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How long does it take to complete the RN-BS program?
One to two years full-time. For part-time students, it usually takes two to three years.

Do I need to meet with anyone in admissions?
After submitting your application, you should set up an interview with the nursing program director or designee. Your transcripts will be evaluated, and we you will be advised which courses to register for.

Can I transfer in previously earned credits?
Previously earned college credit in the liberal arts and sciences may be accepted in transfer by Mercy College. Additional academic credits can be earned by passing RCE or CLEP examinations.
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BACHELOR OF SCIENCE in Biology

Department of Natural Sciences

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The Program also provides preparation for:

► Pre-Medicine
► Pre-Veterinary Medicine
► Pre-Health Professional Studies
► Health Sciences

The Biology Program offers a wide selection of electives from courses in organism biology and biomedical sciences. Opportunities in cooperative education, independent study and internships are also available. All students are required to participate in a capstone project in their senior year.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

Biology graduates may work as teachers (with proper certification), laboratory research technicians (academia, industry, or government), biotechnology, and in pharmaceutical sales and marketing.

Biology graduates may also advance to a master’s and/or doctorate in biological sciences or biomedical sciences, homeopathic medicine, osteopathic medicine, physician assistant studies, veterinary medicine, chiropractic, podiatry, physical therapy, occupational therapy, accelerated RN-nurse practitioner and forensics.

COURSES OF INTEREST:

Biology students study a wide array of courses, including: Ecology, Cell Biology, Genetics and Immunology to name a few.

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There are opportunities for biology students to participate in undergraduate research with faculty for credit.

CAMPUS:

Dobbs Ferry Campus. Some science courses may be completed at the Bronx and Manhattan Campuses.
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What is the biology major?
A program that prepares students for careers in the life sciences, medicine and biomedical sciences, as well as teaching, graduate school, or medical school, where there is a strong need for integration of the biological and physical sciences will be prepared.

How is Mercy’s program unique?
We offer a flexible schedule that helps meet the demands of students working full time. Our small class size facilitates a close relationship among the students and between students and faculty.

Should I finish the General Education requirements before starting my major?
No. Because of the rigor of the program a combination of general education courses and major-level courses is recommended. Students should contact the program coordinator as early as possible to plan their course of study.

Can I attend the program part-time?
Yes. You can take as little as one course per semester. The program is designed to be flexible enough to accommodate working adults and many students attend part-time. Day, night and weekend classes are available.

If I plan to go to Graduate School, is this the program for me?
Yes. The program will prepare you for both master’s and doctorate level work. Additional courses in mathematics or physics may be required.
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Bachelor of Science in Clinical Laboratory Science

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The first three-year sequence of college-based courses prepares students for the clinical rotations, but also overlaps substantially with the requirements for a degree in biology. The fourth year of the CLS Program consists of a combination of clinical courses on campus and full-day hospital based clinical rotations.

The Clinical Internships will consist of a minimum of 32 hours per week for 24-30 weeks of laboratory instruction during the twelve-month clinical period.

The four-year Clinical Lab Science Program is the only license qualifying program in Westchester, as well as the Bronx and Rockland County.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

Representative career opportunities for graduates of the Clinical Laboratory Science bachelor’s degree are:

- Hospital-based and private diagnostic clinical laboratory scientists
- Biotechnology
- Laboratory research technicians (academia, industry, or government)
- Pharmaceutical research
- Veterinary research
- Education
- Pharmaceutical marketing, sales, and quality assurance

Because there is currently a shortage of trained medical clinical laboratory scientists available to staff clinical diagnostic laboratories, the employment opportunities in this field are excellent.

Clinical laboratory scientists who obtain a master’s degree in an area of expertise (E.g. microbiology) or in management or health administration may advance to positions in clinical laboratory administration.

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COURSES OF INTEREST:
CLS students study a wide array of courses, including: Elements of Biochemistry, Ecology, Cell Biology and Genetics to name a few.

DID YOU KNOW?
After completing their internships, students are eligible to sit for the American Society for Clinical Pathology (ASCP) Board of Certification Exam to become certified as a Medical Laboratory Scientist. This exam is also required for licensure in New York State, but only leads to ASCP certification of graduates who complete a NAACLS-accredited internship program.

CAMPUSES:
Dobbs Ferry. Some introductory courses also available at the Bronx Campus.

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What is Clinical Laboratory Science?
Clinical Laboratory Science (CLS) deals with the testing of body fluids for the diagnosis of disease and identification of pathogens. Graduates who obtain this bachelor’s degree are eligible to become licensed in New York State as clinical laboratory technologists. In contrast, graduates of community college programs offering associates degrees in this field can become licensed as Clinical Laboratory Technicians.

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Bachelor of Science in Health Science

The Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences major includes coursework in the social, biological and behavioral sciences. Building on 60 general education credits, it includes 32 additional credits in the Natural Sciences, the Social Sciences and the Health Sciences. Students preparing to enter graduate programs in the health professions should coordinate their plan of study with their adviser. Many of the faculty teaching courses in the Health Science concentration also teach within the professional graduate programs and have extensive clinical experience allowing students to gain insights regarding areas for future practice.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

Graduates from the Health Science Program may pursue employment in the health care field (e.g. public health or other community agencies, insurance industry, hospital or pharmaceutical industry) or may pursue graduate level education in a health professional field (e.g. occupational or physical therapy), medical sciences, health administration or laboratory science. Careful selection of available courses will optimize admission to desired graduate degree. The majority of the courses within the Health Science Program are pre-requisites for other professional degrees within Mercy College (e.g., Occupational Therapy Assistant [AAS], occupational therapy [MS], and physical therapy [BS/MS]). For students preparing to enter the Graduate Occupational Therapy Program who already hold a bachelor’s degree, it is possible to earn a B.S. in Health Science, pre-OT major, if at least 30 prerequisite undergraduate credits, (18 in major concentration area), are taken at Mercy College.

COURSES OF INTEREST:

Health Science students study a wide array of courses, including: Issues in Personal Health, Health Communication and Epidemiology to name a few.

DID YOU KNOW?

Health Science offers a Pre-Occupational Therapy Track. The Pre-Occupational Therapy Track prepares students for graduate
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What are the benefits of obtaining a bachelor’s in Health Science?
If an employer requires a college degree with a health care focus, a bachelor’s in Health Sciences is usually preferred. A bachelor’s in Health Science is the most effective route to completing a bachelor’s degree that includes all the graduate program prerequisite courses for programs such as the Occupational Therapy Program.

Is the schedule flexible?
Very. You can take classes as a part-time or full-time student, at various times including evenings and weekends.

I’ve taken classes at another college. Can I transfer credit to complete the bachelor’s?
Yes. Acceptance of transfer credits is determined by Admissions. They consult with any graduate program to which you intend to apply. To be eligible for a Bachelor of Science in Health Science, which is a 120-credit degree, students must complete a minimum of 30 undergraduate credits at Mercy College. Mercy may transfer up to 90 undergraduate credits from a four-year college and up to 75 credits from a two-year community college.
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In addition to expanding course offerings in the program, Mercy College has a dedicated exercise science lab with state-of-the-art exercise testing equipment to facilitate course study across the program.

Mercy College has the only Exercise Science Program in the New York metropolitan area to be both CAAHEP (Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs) accredited and an ERP (Education Recognition Program) by the NSCA (National Strength and Conditioning Association.)

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

Students will have a wide array of career opportunities in fields such as occupational safety and health, sports coaching, personal training in public and corporate settings, cardiac rehabilitation, private sports medicine clinics, corporate wellness and athletic directors. The Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science is also valuable to help prepare students moving into graduate programs for careers in physical therapy, occupational therapy, sports psychology, and physicians’ assistants and kinesiology.

COURSES OF INTEREST:

Exercise Science students study a wide array of courses, including: Applied Motor Learning, Exercise Physiology Lab and Exercise Kinesiology to name a few.

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DID YOU KNOW?
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How is Mercy’s program unique?
Mercy College is known for flexible scheduling and small class size. Our small class size facilitates a close relationship among the students and between students and faculty. Laboratory sections are taught by the professors who teach the lectures and not by graduate students. This arrangement enables faculty to closely coordinate the lecture and laboratory components of our courses and enables students to learn laboratory skills from experienced professionals.

Is the schedule flexible?
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When can I apply to the Exercise Science program?
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Should I finish the general education requirements before starting my major?
No! Because of the rigor of the program a combination of general education courses and major-level courses is recommended. Students should contact their adviser and the Program Director as early as possible to plan their course of study.
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Bachelor of Science in Nursing

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Mercy College's Nursing Programs have a high faculty to student ratio, giving students personalized attention and intensive advising.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

A career as a Registered Nurse offers unlimited possibilities. With this degree, students can explore their passions and excel in rewarding areas such as: critical care nursing, emergency nursing, community and public health nursing, pediatric and parent child nursing, psychiatric and mental health nursing, medical surgical nursing and nursing informatics.

COURSES OF INTEREST:

Nursing students study a wide array of courses, including: Pharmacology for Nurses, Medical Surgical Nursing, Parent and Child Nursing and Community Health Nursing: Advocacy for Public Health to name a few.

DID YOU KNOW?

Clinical learning experiences will be conducted via a state-of-the-art simulation laboratory as well as traditional, hands-on, instructor-supervised training in Westchester County and New York City health care facilities.

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*Do I need to meet with anyone from admissions?*

Students are not required to meet with anyone from admissions.

*How long does it take to complete the Generic Nursing Program?*

Four years full time study.

*If I am not yet a nurse, can I come to Mercy College?*

Yes, the Generic Nursing Program is a pre-licensure program. The program prepares students to take the NCLEX-RN licensing exam after completion of the program.

*Are Nursing Program faculty available for advising?*

Yes, students will be assigned a nursing program faculty adviser.