COMMUNICATIVE DISORDERS (CMDs)

Subject-area course lists indicate courses currently active for offering at the University of Louisville. Not all courses are scheduled in any given academic term. For class offerings in a specific semester, refer to the Schedule of Classes (http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm).

500-level courses generally are included in both the undergraduate- and graduate-level course listings; however, specific course/section offerings may vary between semesters. Students are responsible for ensuring that they enroll in courses that are applicable to their particular academic programs.

Course Fees

Some courses may carry fees beyond the standard tuition costs to cover additional support or materials. Program-, subject- and course-specific fee information can be found on the Office of the Bursar website (http://louisville.edu/bursar/tuitionfee).

CMDS 563. Clinical Phonetics 3 Units
Pre requisite(s): Must be at least a Junior or Senior undergraduate student to register.
Description: The International Phonetic Alphabet and other symbol systems are utilized in transcription of speech sounds. A description of speech sounds in terms of acoustics and physiologic dimensions. Special emphasis on speech disorders and dialects. For class offerings for a specific term, refer to the Schedule of Classes (http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm)

CMDS 564. Normal Speech and Language Development 4 Units
Description: Reviews normal development of language and speech across the lifespan including syntax, semantics, morphology, pragmatics, and phonology. An overview of dialectical, cultural, and bilingual aspects are discussed as well as basic language sampling and analysis procedures. For class offerings for a specific term, refer to the Schedule of Classes (http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm)

CMDS 570. Clinical Observation in Speech Pathology and Audiology 1 Unit
Grading Basis: Pass/Fail
Pre requisite(s): Restricted to graduate students only.
Description: Observations in speech pathology and audiology. Additional observations may be assigned to introduce students to the variety of practicum opportunities available in the program. For class offerings for a specific term, refer to the Schedule of Classes (http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm)

CMDS 571. Functional Neuroanatomy 3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Fall Only
Description: An overview of general neuroanatomy and neuroanatomical principles applied to communication and communicative disorders including hearing, speech, language, cognition, swallowing, and emotion. For class offerings for a specific term, refer to the Schedule of Classes (http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm)

CMDS 572. Anatomy and Physiology for Communication Sciences 4 Units
Pre requisite(s): Restricted to graduate students only.
Description: Structure and function of speech, auditory/vestibular mechanisms. Includes neuroanatomy and neurophysiology of communication. Emphasis on clinical applications. Dissection of human cadaver material. For class offerings for a specific term, refer to the Schedule of Classes (http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm)

CMDS 600. Research Methods in Speech-Language Pathology 2 Units
Description: This course will introduce speech-language pathology graduate students to the various aspects of research including: where to find journal articles, how to read journal articles, basic statistical approaches, and research design. The course will include guest speakers from clinical and basic sciences and expose students to the plethora of research careers. For class offerings for a specific term, refer to the Schedule of Classes (http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm)

CMDS 602. Speech Sound Disorders 3 Units
Pre requisite(s): CMDS 563.
Description: This course covers the study of vowel and consonant characteristics; sequence of development of phonology and articulation; and procedures for diagnosing and treating phonological and articulation disorders. For class offerings for a specific term, refer to the Schedule of Classes (http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm)

CMDS 606. CMDS Independent Study 1-5 Units
Pre requisite(s): Permission of instructor.
Description: Individualized course with topics to be determined by the instructor. May be repeated. For class offerings for a specific term, refer to the Schedule of Classes (http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm)

CMDS 610. Topics in Audiology and Aural Rehabilitation 1 Unit
Description: This course covers clinical aspects of conventional audimetry, patient management, and aural rehabilitation therapy. For class offerings for a specific term, refer to the Schedule of Classes (http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm)

CMDS 611. Practicum in Speech Pathology 1-5 Units
Pre requisite(s): CMDS 563.
Corequisite(s): CMDS 564.
Description: Diagnostic and therapeutic contact with individuals who exhibit communication disorders. Practicum obligations include treatment planning, report writing and patient/parent counseling. Advanced students will be assigned to outside practicum sites with the consent of the instructor. For class offerings for a specific term, refer to the Schedule of Classes (http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm)
CMDS 612. Early Childhood Language Assessment & Intervention 3 Units  
Prerequisite(s): CMDS 564.  
Description: This course covers early childhood language assessment and intervention - including phonology - for infants, toddlers, and preschool-aged children. Emphasis is placed on typical development as well as disordered populations. For class offerings for a specific term, refer to the Schedule of Classes (http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm)

CMDS 618. Counseling and Interviewing 3 Units  
Description: An online course that reviews the speech-language pathologists' roles and responsibilities related to the techniques associated with counseling patients and their families. The course will review contemporary theories of counseling and will provide strategies for interviewing and reporting results. For class offerings for a specific term, refer to the Schedule of Classes (http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm)

CMDS 620. Motor Speech Disorders 3 Units  
Corequisite(s): CMDS 572.  
Description: Motor speech disorders are speech disorders resulting from neurological damage that affects the motor control of speech muscles or motor programming/planning of speech movements. The most common motor speech disorders are dysarthria and acquired apraxia of speech. This course will cover diagnosis and treatment. For class offerings for a specific term, refer to the Schedule of Classes (http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm)

CMDS 630. Aural Rehabilitation for the Speech-Language Pathologist 3 Units  
Prerequisite(s): AUDI 605 and CMDS 572.  
Description: This course provides an overview of the various hearing impaired habilitative/rehabilitative programs/techniques for pediatric through geriatric populations. Topics may include: speech/language development for children with impaired hearing; physiology and psychosocial impact of hearing loss in adulthood; cochlear implants; educational management for children with impaired hearing; an overview of hearing aids; and assistive listening devices. For class offerings for a specific term, refer to the Schedule of Classes (http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm)

CMDS 651. Audiology II 4 Units  
Prerequisite(s): CMDS 572 and CMDS 604.  
Description: Study of diagnostic techniques in the differential diagnosis of etiologies and pathologies related to hearing loss in both children and adults. For class offerings for a specific term, refer to the Schedule of Classes (http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm)

CMDS 652. School-Age Language Assessment and Intervention 3 Units  
Prerequisite(s): CMDS 564.  
Description: This course covers school-age language assessment and intervention - including phonology - for school-age children and adolescents. Emphasis is placed on typical development as well as disordered populations and emphasizes phonological and pragmatic aspects of language along with semantics, morphology and syntax. For class offerings for a specific term, refer to the Schedule of Classes (http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm)

CMDS 653. Hearing Conservation 2 Units  
Prerequisite(s): CMDS 604.  
Description: Methods of detection, prevention and monitoring of hearing in special populations, particularly those exposed in the industrial work place. Topics include federal regulations and the effect of noise on humans. For class offerings for a specific term, refer to the Schedule of Classes (http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm)

CMDS 654. Evoked Potentials in Audiology 2 Units  
Prerequisite(s): CMDS 651.  
Description: Principles of electrophysiology as applied to assessment of the auditory system. Includes brainstem auditory evoked potentials, electrocochleography, middle latency potentials, long latency potentials, hearing assessment, retro-cochlear evaluation and intro-operative monitoring. For class offerings for a specific term, refer to the Schedule of Classes (http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm)

CMDS 655. Audiology III 3 Units  
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CMDS 658. Interprofessional Education and Practice 1 Unit  
Term Typically Offered: Fall Only  
Description: Reviews the speech-language pathologist' roles/responsibilities when collaborating with other professionals in medical and/or educational settings. The course emphasizes learning about, from, and with other professionals in order to deliver the highest quality of care across settings. For class offerings for a specific term, refer to the Schedule of Classes (http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm)

CMDS 663. Voice Disorders 3 Units  
Prerequisite(s): CMDS 572.  
Description: Study of abnormalities of voice production including dysphonia, psychogenic disturbance, and resonance imbalance. Incorporates laboratory demonstrations and exercises to develop skills using the following technologies: video stroboscopy, videoflouroscopy for VPI, manometry, the Visi-pitch, etc. For class offerings for a specific term, refer to the Schedule of Classes (http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm)

CMDS 665. Fluency Disorders 3 Units  
Description: Examines fluency disorders of children and adults. Reviews the literature on etiology and theories of dysfluency. Assessment procedures and therapeutic management are discussed. Includes a review of current technological applications. For class offerings for a specific term, refer to the Schedule of Classes (http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm)
CMDS 667. Aphasia  
Prerequisite(s): CMDS 620.  
Description: Historical review of the neurological basis of language processing. Emphasis on the speech and language disorders, diagnosis and remediation of patients experiencing right and left cerebral vascular accidents. 
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CMDS 668. Professional Issues in Audiology and Speech Pathology  
3 Units  
Description: Survey of social, political, business and professional issues in health care delivery related to communicative disorders. Other topics include: curriculum vitae preparation, professional interviews, professional liabilities, contracts, and funding sources, quality assurance mechanism, etc. Pass-fail grading only. 
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CMDS 669. Cognitive-Communication Disorders  
3 Units  
Prerequisite(s): CMDS 620 and CMDS 572.  
Description: This course focuses on the cognitive-communication disorders that may result from dementia, neurological disorders, metabolic and drug-induced delirium and traumatic brain injury. For class offerings for a specific term, refer to the Schedule of Classes (http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm)

CMDS 670. Advanced Concepts in Amplification  
3 Units  
Prerequisite(s): CMDS 630.  
Description: Trends and developments in amplification technology and applications. Implantable devices (including cochlear implants), automatic signal processing, digital amplification, programmable and multi-channel instruments, vibro-tactile aids, etc. 
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CMDS 672. Assessment of the Vestibular System and Its Disorders  
2 Units  
Prerequisite(s): CMDS 651.  
Description: Review of the interactive balance mechanisms: vestibular, oculomotor and proprioceptive systems. Technologies and procedures for assessing and quantifying disorders of equilibrium. 
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CMDS 690. Dysphagia  
3 Units  
Prerequisite(s): CMDS 572.  
Description: Evaluation and treatment of pediatric and adult patients with swallowing disorders. Specific emphasis on bedside dysphagia evaluations, modified barium swallow procedures, FEES, assistive devices, treatment techniques, and diet modifications. 
For class offerings for a specific term, refer to the Schedule of Classes (http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm)

CMDS 694. Pediatric Feeding and Swallowing  
3 Units  
Prerequisite(s): CMDS 690.  
Description: This course will focus on pediatric feeding and swallowing disorders from a whole body perspective. The course will cover typical feeding development, characteristics and ramifications of atypical feeding development, underlying diagnoses that may contribute to feeding problems, assessment, and treatment techniques from infancy through adolescence. 
For class offerings for a specific term, refer to the Schedule of Classes (http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm)

CMDS 695. Special Topics: Functional Neuroanatomy  
3 Units  
Term Typically Offered: Fall Only  
Description: An in-depth study of special areas or novel topics in speech-language pathology practice. 
Note: May be repeated up to two times with different subtitles/topics. 
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CMDS 696. Augmentative/Alternative Communication  
3 Units  
Prerequisite(s): CMDS 652.  
Description: Provides exposure to the area of augmentative/alternative communication (AAC). Topics include functional dimensions of AAC systems; symbol systems; transmission techniques; and intervention strategies. 
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CMDS 699. Research Project  
1-3 Units  
Description: This course is the equivalent of a master’s level thesis. The student will complete a research project that is suitable for future publication. The project is composed of developing a research question, completing a through review of the literature, developing the methodology to implement and conduct research, analyzing the data, and formulating conclusions, and need for future research. The completed project will be submitted to an appropriate journal for publication. 
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