

**DEGREE/PROGRAM CHANGE
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Course Information

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Name of New or Existing Program

* M.S. in Speech-Language Pathology

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M.S.

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Reason(s) for Request * (enter text below or upload a doc/pdf file)

The department changed a former graduate course, SHS 550, to an undergraduate requirement (SHS 450). In place of SHS 550, we will require two rather than one elective course for the graduate program.

Statements to address budgetary and Faculty Load Implications and Long-range planning * (enter text below or upload a doc/pdf file)

No changes in budget, faculty load, or long-range planning are expected as a result of this change.

M.S. in Speech-Language Pathology

The Department of Speech and Hearing Sciences awards Master of Science degree in speech-language pathology under both Plan I (thesis) and Plan II (non-thesis) according to regulations set forth in earlier pages of this catalog. The Council of Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) accredits the program. All students must fulfill the academic and practicum requirements for the Certification of Clinical Competence set forth by ASHA and specified departmental courses. Persons with a bachelor's degree in a field other than Speech and Hearing Sciences are encouraged to apply. Advisement materials specifying admission and related material are available upon request from the department and on the department website at <http://www.unm.edu/~sphrsci/>. All applicants should obtain and review these materials prior to initiating the admission process.

Students entering the graduate program must have earned at least a C in the courses used to meet the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association requirements of at 3 semester hours in Mathematics, 3 semester hours in Biological Sciences, 3 semester hours in Physical Sciences, and 3 semester hours in Social/Behavioral Sciences. Students must also have taken a Statistics course in which analysis of variance is taught. These courses may be the same courses used to meet other college or university requirements. They may not include remedial course work. Students who have not completed these requirements will be required to do so within the first 3 semesters after acceptance into the graduate program in order to continue their enrollment

All students entering the graduate program are responsible for completion of the following undergraduate courses or their equivalent within the first 3 semesters of graduate enrollment, with a grade of at least B: SHS 303, 510 (310), 541 (321), 330, 425, 528 (428), 530 (430), 431 (536), 550 (450), 458, and 559 (459). Courses or their equivalents that were taken more than six years before entering the graduate program, or courses for which a grade lower than B was received, cannot be used to fulfill this requirement. The graduate advisor, in consultation with the Curriculum and Advisement Committee, will determine whether a course may be considered equivalent and will decide how the requirement must be fulfilled: by taking or re-taking the course, by testing out or by auditing.

The speech-language pathology program includes the basic sciences requirements (see paragraph 2 above) and SHS 300 and 400 level courses listed above as well as the following academic courses: SHS 500 (at least 4 enrollments to include no more than 2 summer sessions), 506, 507, 517, 525, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, ~~550~~, 558 and ~~one~~ two 500 level electives that may be selected from department course offerings or from course offerings from a variety of department subject to approval by the SHS department. SHS 506 must be taken in the first year of enrollment in 500 level classes. A minimum grade of B is required for all 500 level course work.