



## Communicative Disorders Bachelor's Completion Pathways for College of DuPage

### B.S. in Communicative Disorders

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### Admissions Requirements & Transfer Recommendations for Speech Language Pathology Assistant A.A.S.

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Prospective transfer students should do the following:

- Contact Chris Beldon, academic advisor to review previous community college course work/transcripts and to construct your plan to complete the B.S. in Communicative Disorders.
- Complete, or be working towards completion of, the Speech Language Pathology Assistant program at a community college.
- Complete an application for admission online, submit official copies of academic transcripts, to the NIU Office of Admissions ([www.niu.edu/admissions/apply](http://www.niu.edu/admissions/apply)). The NIU Transfer Center can be contacted at (800) 892-3050 or [transfercenter@niu.edu](mailto:transfercenter@niu.edu).
- Work with your community college advisor to select the best General Education and Communicative Disorders prerequisite courses, some of which can be included in your AAS program.

### Academic Requirements

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Most AAS degree programs include 15+ hours of general education credit. Use the following chart to select courses that contribute to both your AAS degree and NIU's general education requirements. For additional information on general education see the NIU Catalog at <http://catalog.niu.edu/>.

NIU General Education Requirements		COD Courses	Equivalent courses at NIU
<b>General Education: Core Competencies (12 Credit Hours)</b>	English (6 Hrs)	ENGL 1101 (3) ENGL 1102 (3)	ENGL 103 (3) ENGL 203 (3)
	Communications (3 Hrs)	SPEEC 1100 (3)	COMS 100 (3)
	Mathematics (3 Hrs)	MATH 1533 (3) with a grade C or better	MATH 210 (3)
	<b>General Education: **Knowledge Domain Courses (Minimum 21 Credit Hours need to meet PLUS knowledge domain course requirements)</b>	Creative and Critical analysis (6 Hrs)	PHILO 1110 Ethics (3)
An additional course from Creativity and Critical analysis electives (3)			A course from Creativity and Critical analysis (3)
Nature and Technology(6 Hrs)		PHYSI 1100 Physics (3)	PHYS 150 Intro to Physics (3)
Society and Culture(6)		PSYCH 1100 (3)	PSYC 102 (3)
		PSYCH 2237 (3)	PSYC 225 (3)
An additional course from Knowledge Domain (3)	*An additional course equivalent to a course in knowledge Domain (3)	A course from Creative & Critical analysis, Society & Culture, or Nature & Technology (3)	

\*Please refer to NIU Articulation Handbook <http://www.niu.edu/admissions/transfer/plan/credits/index.shtml>

## B.S. in Communicative Disorders Academic Requirements

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### AAS Degree in the Speech Language Pathology Assistant Program

- Up to 30 semesters hours of credit from an approved Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree may be applied toward the BS in Communicative Disorders degree-completion program, with the consent of the department advisor. The following **College of DuPage** AAS degree has been approved for admission into the BS-Communicative Disorders program, and for prior learning credit.

It is recommended that Communicative Disorders majors complete the following courses as part of the COD AAS degree:

	<b>COD Courses</b>	<b>Equivalent courses at NIU</b>
COD AAS Degree Requirements and additional Speech Language Pathology Assistant to be taken at COD	SLPA 1101 Intro to Speech Language Pathology (4)	COMD 220 Intro to Communicative Disorders
	SLPA 1105 Phonetics (3)	*
	SLPA 1106 Speech Disorders & Intervention I (4)	*
	SLPA 1107 Speech Disorders & Intervention II (2)	*
	SLPA 1109 Language Development (3)	*
	SLPA 1110 Language Disorders and Intervention (4)	*
	SLPA 1112 Introduction to Audiology (2)	*
	SLPA 2101 Clinical Methods and Documentation (4)	*
	SLPA 2102 Professional Issues and the SLPA (4)	*
	SLPA 2104 Augmentative & Alternative Communication (3)	*
	SLPA 2112 Clinical Practicum (6)	*

\*Students may receive up to 30 additional hours of proficiency credit for the learning experiences and education in the discipline in which he or she holds certification.

	<p><b><u>Additional Courses</u></b>  MATH 1428/1431 College Algebra or Pre-calculus 1 (3)</p> <p>PSYCH 2220 Educational Psychology (3)</p> <p>SOCIO 2205 Statistics Social &amp; Behavioral Science (3)</p> <p>HLTHS 1110 Biomedical Terminology (3)</p>	<p>MATH 110 College Algebra (3)</p> <p>EPS 300 Educational Psychology (3)</p> <p>STAT 208 Basic Statistics (3)</p> <p>HSCI 318 Medical Terminology (3)</p>
	<p><b><u>Program Electives:</u></b>  ANAT 1500 Survey of Human Anatomy &amp; Physiology (4)</p> <p>Choose <b>one</b> of the following to fulfill Creative and Critical analysis (3):  THEAT 1100 Theatre Appreciation  ART 1100 Intro to the Visual Arts  ENGLISH 1159 Greek Mythology  SPEEC 2130 Advanced Public Speaking</p>	<p>BIOS 357 Anatomy &amp; Physiology (4)</p> <p>THEA 203 Intro to Theatre  ARTH 282 Intro to World Art  FLCL 271 Classic Mythology  COMS 220 Rhetoric and Public Issues</p>
	<p><b><u>Additional Credits</u></b>  ENGLI 2126 Modern English Grammar (3)  OR  Take Grammar Equivalency Exam while at COD. Must pass to waive ENG 207 at NIU</p>	<p>ENGL 207 Fundamentals of English Grammar (3)</p>

Bachelor's Degree-Completion Courses must be taken in Communicative Disorders at NIU

<b>Program Requirements</b>	<b>NIU Communicative Disorders</b>	
Communicative Disorders courses to be completed at NIU (40 Hrs)	REHB 200 Disability in Society (3)	
	REHB 493 Counseling in Rehabilitation Services (3)	
	COMD 221 Phonetics (3)	
	COMD 300 Introduction to Audiology (3)	
	COMD 305 Language Development (3)	
	COMD 323 Anatomy and Physiology of the COMD (3)	
	COMD 325 Hearing and Speech Science (4)	
	COMD 330 Neuroscience of Communication and Associated Behaviors (3)	
	COMD 429 Assessment in Communication Disorders (3)	
	COMD 435 Clinical Methods (3)	
	GERO 365 Gerontology (3)	
	Two Electives (6 hours)	See catalog

It is possible that students can complete their AAS degree and the above courses and have less than 120 total hours of credit. In this case, students will need to take additional electives to satisfy NIU bachelor's degree-completion requirements.