

Washington State University SHS Upper Division Course Plan

It takes 8 semesters of full time study to obtain a Bachelors of Arts Degree in Speech and Hearing Sciences (SHS). The lower division (freshman & sophomore) years are completed at WSU Pullman or elsewhere. The upper division (junior & senior) years are completed in Spokane at the Washington State University Health Sciences Spokane campus. The following program of study outlines the upper division coursework for the SHS major. All UCORE requirements and the writing portfolio should be completed prior to taking upper division coursework. Please see the back of this page for additional details.

Junior Fall Semester	Junior Spring Semester	Senior Fall Semester	Senior Spring Semester
<input type="checkbox"/> SHS 205* 3 <input type="checkbox"/> SHS 371 3 Language Development <input type="checkbox"/> SHS 372 3 Hearing & Hearing Disorders <input type="checkbox"/> SHS 375 3 Phonetics <input type="checkbox"/> SHS 377 3 Anatomy & Physiology of Speech Production <i>*SHS 205: Intro to SLP & Audiology should be taken in Pullman. Available in Spokane if you are a transfer student</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> SHS 376 3 Speech Sound Disorders <input type="checkbox"/> SHS 378 3 Speech & Hearing Sciences <input type="checkbox"/> SHS 472 3 Audiometry <input type="checkbox"/> SHS 478 3 Language Impairments <input type="checkbox"/> Elective* 3-6 <i>*Rotating Elective (460) or Intro to Research (490). Work with your advisor in selecting this elective.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> SHS 201 4 American Sign Language I <input type="checkbox"/> SHS 477 3 Aural Rehabilitation <input type="checkbox"/> SHS 479 3 Neuroanatomy <input type="checkbox"/> SHS 482 3 Assessment of Speech & Language [M]	<input type="checkbox"/> SHS 202 4 American Sign Language II <input type="checkbox"/> SHS 451 3 Neurogenics <input type="checkbox"/> SHS 461 2 Clinical Methods <input type="checkbox"/> SHS 473 3 Language & Literacy [M] <input type="checkbox"/> SHS 480 3 Senior Seminar [CAPS] <input type="checkbox"/> Elective* 2-3 <i>*Rotating Elective (460) or Intro to Research (490). Work with your advisor in selecting this elective.</i>
Total Credits 12-15	Total Credits 15-18	Total Credits 13	Total Credits 15-18

Courses must be taken in the sequence outlined above. Students are admitted to the Speech and Hearing Sciences program in the fall semester only.

****Writing in the Major [M] and Integrative Capstone [CAPS] are UCORE requirements that are satisfied only by the courses noted above.**

Total credits required for graduation: 120 credits

Total SHS Elective Credits Required: 17 credits

Transfer courses: If you plan to take courses at a college other than WSU, it is your responsibility to make sure they will transfer to WSU as equivalent courses. The WSU Transfer Course Equivalency Website is a useful tool for this and is found online at: webapps.wsu.edu/ais/myinfoservices/darwintce/; in rare occasions coursework taken at another university can fulfill SHS requirements at the discretion of the department and course instructor.

Writing Portfolio: This needs to be completed before you leave the Pullman campus. If you are a transfer student, this requirement must be completed prior to the end of the junior year and may be completed at the Spokane campus.

Use your WSU catalog: Students are responsible to know the University Common Core Requirements (UCORE) listed in the catalog. The catalog is a resource for courses, academic regulations, tuition, graduation requirements, etc. You may need this information if you ever go to another university for an additional or advanced degree. It provides course descriptions that may be needed to transfer courses from WSU to another institution. The catalog is online at: catalog.wsu.edu.

Preparing for Application to Graduate School: Students typically begin the process for applying to graduate school during the fall semester of the senior year. Faculty provide guidance on this process through informational sessions. Students should prepare to take the GRE (Graduate Record Examination) during the summer prior to their senior year. Study guides for the GRE and testing center locations are available online.

Work Closely with the SHS Academic Coordinator:

- Advising is available by appointment or on a walk-in basis. Make an appointment to reduce waiting time.
- Come to your advising appointments informed and prepared with questions.
- An informational meeting will be held each year to assist with the process of transitioning to WSU Spokane.
- You will apply for graduation through your academic advisor: deadlines for graduation applications are available online.

SHS Prerequisite Courses

Statistics or Math 212 (Intro to Statistical Methods)

Psychology 105 (Intro to Psychology)

SHS 205 (Intro to Speech and Hearing sciences – can be taken in Spokane if you are transferring)

Biology 106 or Biology 102 (Intro to Biology with Lab)

Chemistry 101 or Physics 101 (Intro to Chem or Physics, lab highly recommended)

*Admission to the undergraduate program is granted with a **minimum GPA of 2.75**. There is not an application process; however, you must meet with the coordinator from the department of Speech and Hearing Sciences to certify in the major. This certification process typically takes place at the end of the sophomore year. A coordinator from the Speech and Hearing Sciences department will meet with you to complete the certification process.*

Contact the SHS Academic Coordinator with questions:

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