



## College Of Education

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I have been informed that the undergraduate program in Communication Disorders is only a preparation program for a graduate-level program in speech-language pathology or audiology. A master's degree is required to become a speech-language pathologist and a doctoral degree is required to become an audiologist. I understand that upon completion of a bachelor's degree in Communication Disorders I will have completed less than half of the coursework and clinical practicum required for certification by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association and for professional licensure by the state of New Mexico.

I understand that the Communication Disorders courses must be taken in sequence and each "Block" of courses must be successfully completed (i.e., I must achieve a grade of **C or higher in each course** and demonstrate an **overall GPA of 3.0 or higher**.) before I may advance to the subsequent Blocks of course work. The only exception to the published Block order is CD360 Language Acquisition, which may be taken during either Block 1 or Block 2 but must be successfully completed before starting Block 3.

I understand that not being able to successfully complete a Block will delay my completion of the undergraduate curriculum in Communication Disorders by a minimum of one year.

I understand that admission to a graduate program in speech-language pathology or audiology occurs through a highly-competitive admissions process which should be initiated at the beginning of my last year (i.e., during Block 5) in the undergraduate program in Communication Disorders.

I certify that I am aware of the academic requirement that a student must maintain a minimum overall **Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.0** in order to complete all courses in the Communication Disorders sequence.

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