

## Master of Science in Speech-Language Pathology

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### 2023 ENTERING CLASS

# 35

Class size

# 3.02

Average GPA

# 28

Average age

### MISSION

To prepare professionals who are committed to excellence in the delivery of services to individuals with speech, language, and swallowing disorders and to the advancement of the scientific foundations of the profession using evidence-based clinical practices. The pedagogy of multicultural education is a cornerstone of this program with a significant emphasis toward educating speech-language pathologists and delivery of bilingual services. The curriculum will focus on addressing issues of diversity through culturally responsive practices and using competency-based methods with interpreters to provide ethical services to individuals from linguistically diverse backgrounds.

### VISION

To provide an exemplary educational experience that prepares the next generation of clinicians, researchers, scholars, and leaders to make a global impact.

### PURPOSE

To improve the lives of individuals with communication and swallowing disorders.

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## CURRICULUM

» 66-credit-hour, full-time, two-year program.

### YEAR ONE

- » Residential didactic training in Mesa, Arizona, with clinical training in Mesa and surrounding communities.
- » Academic classes in the late afternoon and evenings.
- » Clinical practicums throughout the day.

### YEAR TWO

- » Clinical rotations and didactic work.
- » Final year coursework is online, allowing students to pursue nationwide clinical opportunities and full-time clinical training.

## PREREQUISITES

### GENERAL KNOWLEDGE COURSEWORK

- » Biological Science (*Human Biology*)
- » Physical Science (*Physics or Chemistry*)
- » Social/Behavioral Science (*Psychology, Sociology, or Anthropology*)
- » Statistics (*Math, Biology, or Psychology*)

*Students must have three semester credit hours in each of the above areas for the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association's (ASHA) Certificate of Clinical Competence (CCC) requirements.*

### DISCIPLINE-SPECIFIC COURSEWORK (highly recommended)

- » Introduction to Communication Disorders
- » Normal Speech and Language Development
- » Anatomy and Physiology of the Speech and Hearing Mechanism
- » Speech and Hearing Science
- » Phonetics
- » Introduction to Audiology
- » Articulation and Phonological Disorders
- » Language Disorders
- » Neuroscience of Communication Disorders

*At least three semester credit hours in each of the suggested courses.*

### GPA OPTIONS

The applicant must have achieved one of the following:

- » A minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA overall.
- » A minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA for the last 60 credits.
- » If under a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA for the last 60 credits, there may be special considerations for a holistic approach.

The GRE is not required.

## APPLICATION INFORMATION

For requirements and application information, please visit:

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### ACCREDITATION

NOTE: The Master of Science (MS) education program in speech-language pathology (residential) at A.T. Still University-Arizona School of Health Sciences is a Candidate for Accreditation by the Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology (CAA) of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, 2200 Research Boulevard, #310, Rockville, MD 20850, 800.498.2071 or 301.296.5700. Candidacy is a "preaccreditation" status with the CAA, awarded to developing or emerging programs for a maximum period of five years.



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## ATSU MISSION

A.T. Still University of Health Sciences serves as a learning-centered university dedicated to preparing highly competent professionals through innovative academic programs with a commitment to continue its osteopathic heritage and focus on whole person healthcare, scholarship, community health, interprofessional education, diversity, and underserved populations.

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