

Admission to the Program

Beginning this year, applications to the departmental clinical degree programs will be administered through the Council of Academic Programs in Communication Sciences and Disorders Centralized Application Service for Clinical Education in Audiology and Speech Language Pathology.

In order to apply for the Au.D. degree program, prospective applicants should go to <http://portal.csdcas.org>. This link will allow you to apply to the program and will monitor your application. As part of this process, you will need to supply:

- A copy of your Graduate Record Examination (GRE) score report and if you are an international applicant, a TOEFL score
- Transcripts
- A personal statement
- Three letters of recommendation

What Else Should I Know?

Students who have previous practicum experience will also need to submit a signed record of all ASHA approved hours when entering the program.



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AU.D. THE CLINICAL DOCTORATE in AUDIOLOGY

*Preparing
individuals for
professional
careers in
clinical
audiology*

About the Au.D. – Clinical Doctorate in Audiology

THE Au.D. PROGRAM IS clinically oriented with primary emphasis on academic and practical experience with normal and disordered hearing. The program fosters development of individuals seeking professional careers in clinical practice in audiology and provides a well-rounded academic and clinical training experience. Students can also elect to receive a concentration in aural habilitation by completing 150 client-contact hours and 6 semester credit hours in pediatric academic coursework within the requirements for the Au.D.

The program consists of four calendar years of Au.D. study with the first three years devoted to formal coursework and practicum and the last year to a full-time clinical externship. Academic requirements include 70 semester credit hours of coursework (approximately 22 classes) and 24 semester credit hours of clinical practicum. The fourth year consists of a full-time, off-site clinical training experience and requires 18 semester credit hours of clinical externship spread across three semesters. University of Tennessee students participate in externships at various locations throughout the country.

Au.D. Student Funding

We are pleased to provide exceptional graduate students with Graduate Assistantships. Entering students are selected for departmental financial assistance on the basis of academic merit.

On-Campus Clinical Settings

UT has a large on-campus audiology clinic where comprehensive clinical training is provided in the areas of pediatric and adult diagnostics and amplification, electrophysiology and ENG, auditory processing evaluations, cochlear implant mapping, and aural rehabilitation. The departmental clinic fits 450-600 hearing aids and provides services to over 2000 patients per year. In addition, approximately 75 profoundly hearing-impaired children, half of whom have cochlear implants, are served weekly in UT Children's Hearing Services, our on-campus aural habilitation clinic.

Off-Campus Clinical Settings

Students also receive clinical training at various off-campus practicum sites. These include:

- UT Medical Center and other area hospitals
- Tennessee School for the Deaf
- Local Ear Nose and Throat Practices
- Local Private Audiology Practices
- VA Outpatient Clinic

Academic and Clinical Audiology Faculty

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