



# AUDIOLOGY AND HEARING SCIENCE (AUD)

The Barkley Center, home to the Department of Special Education and Communication Disorders, provides a stimulating environment for educational, clinical, and research activities. Learning to assist individuals with special education needs or those with communication disorders of speech, language, balance, or hearing is central to programs in the department.

## Description

The interdepartmental Ph.D. programs in educational studies or human sciences allow for specializations in special education or communication disorders, consistent with the student's interests and employment goals. The professional doctoral degree, the Au.D., typically does not require a research project or dissertation of the magnitude necessary for the Ph.D.

Students can take many classes in special education online, however, speech-language pathology and audiology are only available as on-campus options.

## Program-Related Information

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## Program Website

<https://cehs.unl.edu/secd/home/>

## Applying for Admission

### Standard requirements for all graduate programs

- Application for Admission with \$50 non-refundable application fee (<https://graduate.unl.edu/admissions/requirements/#appfee>).
- Transcripts (<https://graduate.unl.edu/admissions/requirements/#transcripts>) (unofficial): Uploaded as part of application form.

If International: Uploads must include all college- or university-level transcripts or mark sheets (records of courses and marks earned), with certificates, diplomas, and degrees plus certified English translations.

After admission: Official documents are required from all students who are admitted and enroll. Photocopies of certified records are not acceptable. International students enrolled in other U.S. institutions may have certified copies of all foreign records sent directly to the Office of Graduate Studies by their current school's registrar office.

- If applicant's native language is not English, verification of English proficiency (<https://graduate.unl.edu/admissions/english-proficiency/>) is required.

When sending TOEFL scores, our institution code is 6877 and a department code is not needed.

- If applicant is not a US citizen and expects an F or J visa: financial information (<https://graduate.unl.edu/prospective/international/financial/>).
- Applicants must also fulfill any additional requirements the department specifies at the time of application.

### Additional requirements specific to this program

- Minimum English proficiency: Paper TOEFL (<http://www.toefl.org/>) 550, Internet TOEFL (<http://www.toefl.org/>) 80, IELTS (<https://www.ielts.org/>) 6.5
- Resume/CV
- Personal Statement: There is no prompt or length requirement for the personal statement.
- Writing Sample (optional): Provide a writing sample you believe would assist the admissions committee in assessing your qualifications for graduate study in this program, for example, a term paper, thesis, or published article.
- Funding/Assistantships: To be considered for a Teaching or Research Assistantship: 1) Check the appropriate boxes in the Funding section of the admission application's Additional Information page. 2) Complete the SECD Graduate Assistantship Application (<https://cehs.unl.edu/secd/graduate-assistantship-application-form-special-education/>).
- Three recommendation letters

### Admission Application Deadlines

January 15 for Fall.

## Requirements

Hours required: 87