

**APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION
Au.D. PROGRAM
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION DISORDERS**

ADMISSION CLASSIFICATIONS

Full Graduate Standing: All admission criteria have been met and there are no deficiencies in your education preparation.

Full Graduate Standing with Deficiencies: Criteria for admission have been met, but you need additional courses to eliminate deficiencies in your educational preparation.

Provisional: Provisional admission means that you will be eligible for Full Graduate Standing once you have fulfilled a specific provision or provisions to your admissions.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: January 15TH

ADMISSION PROCEDURES

Application materials can be accessed at <http://www.unl.edu/barkley/graduates/packets.shtml> or obtained from the Program Secretary.

1. Departmental Application: Complete and return this form to the Program Secretary along with the application fee of \$45.00 **before January 15th**.

****DO NOT apply to the Office of Graduate Studies!****

2. Three Letters of Recommendation: Submit three letters of recommendation from individuals able to comment on your potential to succeed in the program. Have these letters sent directly to the Admissions Coordinator.
3. Official Transcripts: Transcripts from each college or university you have attended should be sent to the Admissions Coordinator.
4. Professional Goals and Vita or Resume: Provide a written statement of your professional goals, and a copy of your vita and resume.
5. Supplementary Materials: You are encouraged to supplement your application with copies of research papers, paper presentations at professional meetings, and/or masters thesis. These materials will assist the selection committee in judging your potential to conduct research and scholarly activities.
6. English Proficiency: If your native language is not English or if you have not graduated with a degree from a United States accredited institution, you will need to submit official results from the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). Please see the current edition of the UNL Graduate Bulletin for further information http://www.unl.edu/unlpub/bulletin_grad/. The Departmental minimum acceptable TOEFL score is 550.

FINAL CHECK LIST

Professional Program Secretary
318 Barkley Memorial Center
University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Lincoln, Nebraska 68583-0738
(402) 472-2141

_____ Departmental Application
_____ \$45.00 Application fee
_____ Letters of Recommendation (3)
_____ Official transcripts

_____ Statement of Professional Goals
_____ Supplementary Materials
_____ Copy of Vita or Resume

Professional Program Application (Au.D.)

Audiology

Personal Data

applicant's name _____

UNL ID number _____

current address (include street, city, state, zip code) _____

permanent address (include street, city, state, zip code) _____

home phone number _____

daytime phone number _____

email address _____

Academic Information

Will you be applying for an assistantship in the department? _____

Citizenship (Non U.S. Citizens only)

Country of citizenship: _____

Birthplace (city and country): _____

Visa type expected: F-1(I-20, student) F-2(dependent) J-1 (IAP-66 exchange visitor; attach a copy of current IAP)

J-2 (dependent) Permanent Resident (attach copy Form 134) Other (specify) _____

English Proficiency: (Non U.S. Citizens only) TOEFL score of _____ Exam Date: _____

Biographical Data

Date of birth: _____ Gender: Male Female

Are you a Nebraska resident? Yes No If yes, starting when? _____

Indicate race: White/Non-Hispanic Black/Non-Hispanic Hispanic American Indian/Alaskan Native Asian Pacific Islander

List any major disability*: _____

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Previous Schools & Previous Employment

High School Attended: _____
school city state graduation date

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List all postsecondary institutions that you have attended or are currently attending (begin with the most current one). Give School name and location, dates attended, anticipated or confirmed graduation date:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Most recent employer and location: _____

Nature of position: _____ Dates held: _____

Over Please ➡

RECOMMENDATION FOR GRADUATE ADMISSION
COMMUNICATION DISORDERS
UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA - LINCOLN

To Be Completed By The Applicant

Name of Applicant: _____			
Proposed Area of Specialization: ____ Speech-Lang Path ____ Audiology		Degree Objective: ____ M.S. ____ Au.D. ____ Ph.D.	
Under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, university students have the right to inspect their files upon request. Please sign one of the following statements so that the person writing this letter of recommendation will know whether it will be held in confidence or whether it will be open to your inspection upon request.			
I retain my right of access to this recommendation.		I waive my right of access to this recommendation.	
_____ Signature	_____ Date	_____ Signature	_____ Date

To Be Completed By The Person Writing The Recommendation

Please rate the applicant on the qualities listed below by marking the appropriate column. Use other graduate students in your program as your standard of comparison.

	Excellent	Good	Average	Poor	No Basis for Judgement
1. Academic performance					
2. Ability to apply theory to clinical practice					
3. Potential for doing research					
4. Potential for success as a graduate student					
5. Potential for success as a speech-language pathologist or audiologist					
6. Oral communication skills					
7. Writing skills					
8. Ability to cooperate and relate effectively with others					
9. Initiative, self-reliance					
10. Dependability, punctuality, responsibility					
11. Judgement and maturity					
12. Ability to accept and benefit from constructive criticism					
13. Independent thought					
14. Self-evaluation skills					

In what capacity and for how long have you known the applicant? In the space provided, on the back, or on an additional sheet of paper, please provide one or two statements that best describes this applicant.

Would you recommend the applicant for graduate study in your program?

- _____ strongly recommend
- _____ recommend
- _____ recommend with reservations
- _____ do not recommend

Name: _____

Position: _____

Dept: _____

Institution: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Mail to: Admissions Coordinator, 318 Barkley Center, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE 68583-0738 (fax 402-472-7697)

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QUALIFICATIONS TO APPLY:

Any graduate student may apply for a graduate assistantship if he/she is:

1. **Accepted** (unprovisionally) into the graduate program (M.S., Au.D., Ph.D.) in Communication Disorders;
2. **Registered as a full-time student** the semesters for which he/she requests a graduate assistantship;
3. **Not student-teaching** or on another extended field experience during the semester for which he/she requests a GA; &
4. **Capable of fulfilling the qualifications and duties** described in any of the job descriptions listed below.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

Priority will be given to applicants with:

1. Competency in oral and written communication;
2. Clerical keyboarding and computer/software skills;
3. Leadership/organizational skills;
4. Experience in school, laboratory or clinical settings; or
5. Experience that has developed specific skills required for GA tasks.

APPLICATION:

Submit application to: Admissions Coordinator
318 Barkley Memorial Center
University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Lincoln, Nebraska 68583-0738

by January 15 for the following academic year. Graduate Assistants wishing to continue their assignments must reapply each year. Applications will be reviewed shortly after the closing dates but will be accepted until all positions are appropriately filled. Final notification will be mailed to students by June 15.

BENEFITS:

Graduate Assistants are generally awarded a tuition waiver for each semester they are employed. In addition, a monthly stipend is awarded for the duration of their employment as a GA. The actual amount of each stipend is determined each year on the basis of available budgets. Twelve credits of resident tuition are waived each semester if (a) the graduate assistantship is for a minimum of four continuous months, (b) the graduate assistantship is no less than 13 hours/week, and (c) stipend is at least \$2,400 per semester. The subsequent summer tuition (6 credits maximum) is waived if the GA for the Fall and Spring semesters equals the minimum amount specified in the current UNL Graduate Studies Bulletin.

EXPECTATIONS:

Graduate Assistantships are part-time jobs awarded to qualified students to assist them with the financial responsibilities associated with full-time enrollment in graduate school. Each GA will be assigned to one or more faculty members in the Communication Disorders Unit and expected to work at least 13 hours a week. GAs are expected to register as full-time students but not exceed 14 credits/semester. Students who receive graduate assistantships are not permitted to hold other employment unless such employment, in combination with their assistantship, does not exceed a total of 20 hours/week.

Work will begin the Monday prior to the start of classes each semester and continue weekly (including Fall and Spring Break Weeks) through the full week after final exams. A schedule of specific work hours will be arranged each semester with the assigned faculty advisor and with consideration given to the student's schedule of classes.

Students may not receive graduate assistantships during semesters in which they student teach or complete required field experiences. These practicum assignments necessitate the student to be away from campus many hours and do not provide adequate opportunity to complete GA work assignments. No student will be eligible to receive an assistantship for more than two years (four academic semesters).

JOB DESCRIPTIONS

The actual number of GAs hired each semester is determined by the availability of funds, needs of the department faculty, and qualifications of applicants. The Communication Disorders Unit generally has need for GAs who can fulfill one or more of the qualifications and duties described below.

Research/Teaching Assistance. Duties include assisting with data collection, possibly at an off-campus site; coding data; using a computer for data entry or coding; completing library searches; photocopying or collating needed research materials and references; proof-reading drafts of surveys, manuscripts, and letters; and making phone calls to subjects or project collaborators. Assistants should have good verbal presentation skills and be able to dialogue effectively with adults. GAs may be requested to proctor exams, assist with grading exams and class projects, maintain class records, tutor students, and engage in problem-solving and brainstorming with faculty members or students. GAs need to be familiar with copying and fax machines and have adequate typing skills for word processing tasks.

Undergraduate Courses. GAs assigned to assist with undergraduate courses must possess good skills in time management, organization of projects, and interpersonal communication. Responsibilities will include preparation of handouts and class materials, phonetic transcription and grading, facilitating small group activities, record keeping, grading assignments, and supervising class activities.



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COMMUNICATION DISORDERS
University of Nebraska-Lincoln

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DEADLINE: January 15.

ASSISTANTSHIPS ARE NOT AVAILABLE DURING THE SEMESTER A STUDENT ENROLLS FOR STUDENT TEACHING OR AN EXTERNSHIP.

New Applicant GA reapplication (Please attach a letter of recommendation from previous faculty/supervisor)

Requesting assistantship for: Fall only Spring only Both, Year 20__ - 20__ Nebraska Resident: Yes No

Name: _____ UNL I.D. #: _____
(Last) (First) (MI)

Current Address: _____ Phone: _____
(Number & Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Permanent Address: _____ Phone: _____
(Number & Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Email: _____ What is your degree objective? M.S. Au.D. Ph.D.

I have read the attached job descriptions. I believe I am qualified for a Graduate Assistantship for the following jobs:
(mark all that apply): Research/Teaching Assistant Undergraduate SLP&A Courses

Describe your specific skills for supporting research activities and give reasons why you should be considered for the position you have checked above. (i.e., data collection, coding, library searches, editing, etc.)

Describe your specific skills for supporting teaching activities and give reasons why you should be considered for the positions you have checked above. (i.e., oral & written communication, tutoring/teaching, maintaining records, etc.)

Provide a rationale for financial need and list other financial assistance applied for or awarded for the upcoming academic year.

THIS APPLICATION IS VALID FOR ONLY ONE ACADEMIC YEAR

(Applicant's Signature)

(Date of Application)