

Case Western Reserve University

COSI Master of Arts Program- Speech Language Pathology



Cherry Blossoms in full bloom at the Cleveland Museum of Art. Photo taken on Saturday, April 13, 2019 by Gabe Leidy.

Overview

- Prepares entry level professionals for careers in medical and clinical speech language pathology.
- Accredited by the Council on Academic Accreditation (CAA) of the American Speech Language and Hearing Association (ASHA)
- Celebrating 80 years!
- Located in Cleveland's University Circle
- Small program size (8-12 students/cohort)
- 47 credit hours (51 credit hours for thesis)
- Full time, 5 semester residential program
- All students receive tuition support from the CWRU College of Arts & Sciences



Curriculum Highlights

- Lab work during the first year of study
- Meta-analysis or thesis project to meet CWRU graduate school requirement
- Course in Evidence Based Practice
- 2 courses in Dysphagia: Adult and Pediatric
- IPE coursework on the Health Education Campus (CWRU/CCF)



Research Highlights

- Active research faculty –over 50 articles published in peer reviewed journals in past 5 years
- NIH and CDC grant funding work:
 - CDC funded project to identify best ways to support students (K-12) returning to school after brain injury
 - NIH funded work that will ultimately improve the quality of life for individuals with auditory difficulties through the development of improved clinical assessments and intervention



Clinical Education Highlights

- Initial clinical training at Cleveland Hearing and Speech Center (CHSC)
- Speakeasy Group
- 3 extern placements subsequent to CHSC
- 25+ community partners
- Recent graduates employed in hospitals, clinics and early intervention settings & nationally recognized medical centers



Brain in Swallowing and Communication Lab



Dr. Mulheren

The research of the BiSC lab focuses on how the brain controls communication and swallowing.

Research Goals:

- Optimize evaluation and treatment methods for swallowing disorders
- Improve quality of life for individuals with communication and/or swallowing disorders.



Speech and Auditory Research Lab



Dr. Calandruccio

The focus of the research conducted in the SPAR lab spans several listener populations and includes both theoretically and clinically motivated research questions.

Research Goals:

- Better understand how a healthy auditory system is successful at completing difficult auditory tasks.



Family Speech and Reading Lab



Dr. Lewis

The focus of this research is to analyze the genetic basis of speech sound disorders as well as academic and social outcomes in special pediatric populations.

Research Goals:

- Investigate the etiological basis of child language disorders with a focus on genetic, medical and neurological conditions that impact speech and language development
- Specific interest in syndromes associated with disorders such as Prader Willi Syndrome.

Child Outcomes in Rehabilitation and Education Lab

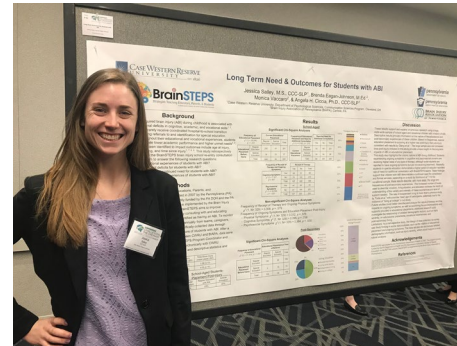


Dr. Ciccio

The focus of the research conducted in the CORE Lab is to analyze pediatric brain injury including this population's functional/social outcomes and aspects of assessment and rehabilitation.

Research Goals:

- Explore the relationships between health conditions and typical developmental processes
- Investigate the environment that surrounds children with acquired or developmental neurogenic communication disorders on long-term outcomes



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Our program occupies the entire third floor.



Application Process

- Apply through CSDCAS- applications are due **January 15, 2024**
 - Applications are reviewed by mid-February 2024
- GRE is not required
- Approximately 40 applicants will be invited to an interview day on campus
- The interview day will be in late February or early March
- Specific dates for interviews will be posted at a later date @ <https://psychsciences.case.edu/graduate/graduate-comm-sciences-programs/>

Questions?

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