

COSI MA Program Strategic Plan (2023-2028)

Mission:

To educate students to become highly competent clinician researchers in the field of speech language pathology who contribute to their community. Our model future clinician demonstrates intellectual curiosity, cultural humility, integrity, high ethical standards, consistent professionalism, and the ability to evolve as an innovator in the future.

Vision:

To be a world leader in the clinical, science-based education of speech language pathologists who will advance treatment methods for all people through translational clinical research.

Objectives:

1. To continue the COSI MA Program's long-tradition of excellence by inspiring innovation, and building and strengthening community.
2. To foster excellence in targeted areas that align with department, university and community strengths and needs, particularly in the areas of interprofessional education/practice, community engagement, and the use of cutting-edge technology.
3. To provide all students with a strong, science-based education so they will always employ the best clinical practice, with a focus on patient-centered care.

Outcomes:

1. To maintain 100% student readiness to take the Praxis and be eligible to begin the required speech language pathology clinical fellowship required for ASHA certification.
2. To maintain 100% compliance of students' meeting educational and clinical requirements for conditional licensing by the Ohio Board of Speech Language Pathology and Audiology.
3. To maintain/expand faculty size so that students can successfully complete coursework and clinical experiences in the expected time frame for their plans of study.
4. To provide students with expanded coursework, interprofessional education, and community-based research and clinical opportunities.
5. To continue to provide students with opportunities to utilize campus/community technology.
6. To directly engage students to apply and demonstrate principles of high-quality research and its application to evidence-based practice.

Indicators of Success:

1. 100% of eligible students will take the Praxis and begin their clinical fellowships.
2. 100% of students applying for conditional licensure will attain it.

3. Maintain current faculty size of 4 tenure track positions, with the ultimate goal of expanding to 6 tenure track faculty.
4. Increased graduate course offerings, including interprofessional education.
5. Increased research and clinical opportunities for students.
6. Increased number of courses/clinic settings where technology is utilized.
7. 100% of students complete lab requirements, thesis/meta-analysis projects and poster presentations.
8. Increased number of students/graduates presenting and/or publishing their work.