



## Speech Pathologist

*Class Code: 7976*

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### **OVERVIEW:**

Under general direction, the Speech Pathologist serves as the chief clinician for a campus' clinic; provides diagnostic evaluations and therapeutic intervention of clients; supervises student clinicians; coordinates clinic schedules, materials and practices with the curricular content of the training program; and demonstrates the delivery of professional clinical services for the benefit of students.

### **TYPICAL ACTIVITIES:**

Incumbents in this classification are responsible for providing clinical services which include: evaluations utilizing administration of formal and informal tests; interpretation of results; parent interviews; and client case history all of which culminates in a clinical diagnosis of the client's speech, language, and hearing status; therapeutic intervention which involves the planning, implementation and evaluation of remediation procedures with communication impairments such as articulatory disorders, delayed and/or deviant language development, stuttering, voice, aphasia, cerebral palsy, disorders of cleft palate, and disorders of speech and language resulting from a hearing impairment. Incumbents also assist in the recruitment of clients to ensure a variety of individuals exhibiting various language, speech and hearing problems; occasionally serves as Speech and Language Clinical Consultant for educational, medical, other professional groups and parents; and prepares professional reports and records of evaluations, planned therapeutic procedures and results.

The incumbent coordinates the clinic schedule; evaluates, procures, and inventories clinic equipment and materials; provide the clinical interface with the curriculum of the program through a continual liaison with teaching faculty.

The incumbent will demonstrate clinical services to students, parents, medical groups and related professionals by live and/or videotape presentations; and interface demonstrations with the curricular program.

### **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

#### ***Knowledge and Abilities:***

Comprehensive knowledge of the principles and practices of clinical speech pathology work and the use of related equipment such as audiometers, audio cassette tape recorders, videotape recorders, sonograph, language masters, delayed auditory feedback and biofeedback equipment. Thorough knowledge of speech anatomy and the basic pathology involved in diseases or injuries resulting in physical and mental handicaps. Working knowledge of the current literature in the speech pathology field.

Ability to perform patient speech pathology evaluation and to demonstrate evaluation techniques to students; initiate and develop quality standards and protocols to ensure accuracy in tests; schedule work activities to complement classroom instruction of students; establish and maintain cooperative relationships with faculty and parents; supervise students; plan, organize and coordinate clinical operational activities; and write professional-level reports and correspondence.

***Experience:***

Two years of experience performing clinical speech pathology work.

***Special Qualifications:***

Possession of a Certificate of Clinical Competence in Speech Pathology awarded by the American Speech and Hearing Association; possession of a speech pathologist license issued by the California State Department of Public Health.