

MINOR IN AUDIOLOGY



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New Program Proposal

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Academic Group: (College)

Health & Human Services

Academic Organization: (Department)

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Catalog Year Effective:

2026-2027 Catalog

NOTE: This degree major program will be subject to program review evaluation within six years after implementation.

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Academic Master Plan Projection

Has this degree been approved for inclusion in the Academic Master Plan?

No

New degree major proposals must receive prior approval for inclusion in the Academic Master Plan before a New Program proposal can be submitted to Workflow. Submissions to the AMP can be made through the Miscellaneous Request form.

Type of Program:

Minor

Is this a pilot program?

No

Delivery Format:

Fully Face to Face

Title of the Program:

Minor in Audiology

Designation: (degree terminology)

Minor

Briefly describe the program proposal (new or change) and provide a justification:

Students gravitate toward a degree in health science as it affords them a pathway to nursing. However, due to the nature of the nursing program, not all students who wish to enter nursing are able to secure a pathway to that program. The doctor of audiology is a healthcare profession that is appealing to undergraduates in health science as they can take a few courses in the department of communication sciences and disorders and be able to apply directly to the doctor of audiology program with a bachelor's degree in health science. This minor is being proposed to provide students with a clear pathway from health sciences to the doctor of audiology program. This minor will also allow for a clear pathway to the audiometrist certificate. There is only one audiology minor nationwide, and so this would be a fairly unique option highlighting CSUS as a place for excellence in pre-clinical training with a pathway to an in-house doctoral degree.

University Learning Goals

Undergraduate Learning Goals:

Competence in the disciplines
Knowledge of human cultures and the physical and natural world
Intellectual and practical skills
Personal and social responsibility
Integrative learning

Program Learning Outcomes

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Learning Outcome

To provide undergraduate students with coursework in the theoretical foundations of audiology and aural rehabilitation.

To prepare students for applying to doctor of audiology programs, certification as an audiology assistant, or related career.

To provide students with coursework leading to a minor in audiology.

Learning Outcomes Display

Course Code	PLO 1	PLO 2	PLO 3
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Will this program be required as part of a teaching credential program, a single subject, or multiple subject waiver program (e.g., Liberal Studies, Biology) or other school personnel preparation program (e.g., School of Nursing)?

No

Please attach a Comprehensive Program Assessment Plan

Comprehensive Assessment Plan.pdf

Please attach a Curriculum Map Matrix

Curriculum Map Matrix.pdf

Please attach a five-year budget projection

5-year-budget-minor in audiology.xlsx

Catalog Description:

The Minor in Audiology introduces undergraduate students to the science of hearing and balance and the clinical practice of audiology. Students explore auditory anatomy and physiology, phonetics, disorders, and foundations of evidence-based and technological approaches to prevention, diagnosis, and rehabilitation of hearing, balance, and related disorders. The minor complements majors in health science, behavioral sciences, engineering, and education, and supports students preparing for graduate study (e.g., Doctor of Audiology program) at Sacramento State and related careers.

Admission Requirements: Course prerequisites and other criteria for admission of students to the degree major program, and for their continuation in it.

Students must be enrolled in the Health Science Major or related bachelor's degree program. Students must earn a grade of C- or better for courses to serve as prerequisites.

Program Requirements: (If new courses are being created as part of a new program, it will be useful to propose courses first.)

PHYS 5A OR PHYS 10 or equivalent

STAT 1 or equivalent

CHAD 30 or equivalent

CSAD 110

CSAD 130

CSAD 133

For graduate programs, the number of declared undergraduate major and the degree production over the preceding years of the corresponding baccalaureate program:

N/A

Professional uses of the proposed degree major program:

To allow students enrolled in Health Sciences to meet the requirements to be able to apply to the doctor of audiology program. Students completing this minor with a GPA of 3.0 will earn the requirements to be able to apply to the Au.D program at California State University, Sacramento. They will also have coursework leading to the application for certification as an audiology assistant.

Other careers that can be supported by this minor include the following:

California School Audiometrist Certificate / Registration: Allows one to perform hearing screening and threshold testing in schools under the state's Hearing Conservation Program.

Audiology Aide Registration (California): Support person who assists an audiologist (under supervision) in audiology tasks (but cannot practice independently).

Hearing Aid Dispenser License / Trainee / Temporary License: Allows dispensing (selling, fitting) hearing aids—separate from audiology practice. There is a trainee / supervised path.

Certified Occupational Hearing Conservationist (COHC): A national certificate (not CA-state specific) for hearing conservation in industrial / occupational settings. (Completing CAOHC's 20-hour course + exam)

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