DOCTOR OF AUDIOLOGY

The Doctor of Audiology (Au.D.) degree is intended to produce audiologists for clinical practice and is designed to be completed in four years (including summers).

This program has been planned to meet the academic and clinical requirements of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA). The ASHA Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology accredits this program.

A combined Au.D./Ph.D. track also is available. This track facilitates the completion of both degrees in a 6-year post-baccalaureate period. Students who wish to earn both Au.D. and Ph.D. degrees should contact an advisor.

A bachelor's degree with a cumulative 3.0 GPA on all courses taken is required. It is expected students will have obtained a broad general education to serve as a background prior to graduate study. Undergraduate course work in mathematics and in basic and applied sciences is strongly encouraged. Official scores from the Graduate Record Examination must be submitted prior to admission.

If the bachelor's degree is not in the area of audiology or communication sciences and disorders, applicants should have 12 hours of basic sciences and mathematics in addition to courses in the following content areas (or their equivalents):

- Survey/Overview of Communication Disorders
- Language Science/Development
- Introductory Acoustics
- Research Methods
- Speech and Hearing Science
- Phonetics/Phonological Development
- Audiology (introductory level)
- Speech-Language Pathology (introductory level)

Background Check
The Joint Commission requires all incoming students to obtain a background check (http://www.kumc.edu/school-of-health-professions/background-checks-and-drug-screening-for-students.html). This one-time fee must be paid directly to the company performing the background investigation and the report provided to KU after acceptance into the program. For more information, please see the School of Health Professions background check instructions. (http://www.kumc.edu/school-of-health-professions/background-checks-and-drug-screening-for-students.html) A drug screening may be required prior to work in clinical settings.

Technical Standards and Accommodations
Please read the program technical standards (http://www.kumc.edu/school-of-health-professions/ipcd/audiology-%28aud%29/technical-standards.html) carefully. Signed verification will be required of students after they have been accepted. Reasonable accommodations will be made for any accepted student who has a documented disability and can meet program expectations. Applicants with documented disabilities can request reasonable accommodations if needed during the admissions process.

International Students:

An applicant is considered an international student if he or she requires a visa, or currently resides in the U.S. with non-immigrant status, or currently resides in the U.S. while applying for permanent residency. Additional requirements and documentation, such as proof of English language proficiency, are required for international students to become eligible for KU programs. Please review the information for international students (http://www.kumc.edu/school-of-health-professions/information-for-international-applicants.html) before applying.

All students, both domestic and foreign, must meet minimum English proficiency (http://catalog.ku.edu/graduate-studies/kumc/#admissiontext) requirements.

For more information or to contact the program, please visit the IPCD website (http://hearing.kumc.edu).

The Au.D. program prepares students to meet the academic and clinical requirements for the ASHA Certificate of Clinical Competence. The degree is designed to be completed in 4 years (including summers, with a common entry point in fall semester). A minimum of 102 credit hours including academic course work, independent research, and clinical practicum is required.

To obtain the Certificate of Clinical Competence in Audiology, a minimum of 1820 clock hours of supervised clinical experience must be completed while enrolled in an accredited educational program. KU’s Au.D. program is designed to provide the required clinical experience. Specific guidelines for certification are contained in the ASHA Certification and Membership Handbook, available on the ASHA website http://www.asha.org/.

**Audiology Didactic Courses**

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**Doctor of Audiology**
SPLH 889 Multicultural Considerations in Speech-Language-Hearing II (taken spring of year 1)

**Audiology Clinical Courses**

A minimum of 30 credit hours is required:

- During Years 1 and 2: AUD 843 Clinic Practice in Audiology (minimum of 10 credit hours; 1 credit hour equals 1-half day a week in clinic during fall and spring, 1 day a week in summer)
- During Year 3: AUD 944 Clinical Rotation (minimum of 5 credit hours; 1 credit hour equals 1 day a week in clinic during fall and spring, 2 days a week in summer).
- During Year 4: AUD 945 Clinical Externship (40 hours per week in clinic: 6 credit hours in fall and spring, 3 credit hours in summer).

**Elective Courses**

The Au.D. curriculum requires a total of 10 credits in elective courses; a minimum of 4 credits must be in statistics.

Choice of statistics and elective courses will be determined in consultation with the academic advisor.

**Research Skills**

All students must complete a minimum of 4 credit hours toward program requirements in research skills training. Two of the required 4 credit hours are obtained through enrollment in AUD 940 Seminar in Audiology during the fall and spring semesters of Year 3 (1 credit per semester). The remaining hours are obtained through enrollment in AUD 846 Independent Study and the completion of one of two research project options.

**Oral Comprehensive Exam**

Students must successfully complete an oral, comprehensive examination during Year 3.