

# SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY PARAPROFESSIONAL

## 61 credit Associate in Applied Science

## THE PROGRAM

The Associate in Applied Science (AAS) in Speech Language Pathology Paraprofessional (SLPP) was launched in 2004 to address a critical shortage of SLP paraprofessionals in school settings. The curriculum was designed with assistance from the North Dakota Department of Public Instruction, faculty of the Communication Disorder Department of Minot State University and Directors.

Under the direction of a supervising speech language pathologist, certified Speech Language Pathology Paraprofessionals can carry out the following services:

- Speech language screenings
- Therapeutic tasts
- Documentation and reports on student progress
- Support services including scheduling, materials preparation, equipment acquisition and space matinence

## APPLICATION PROCESS

Every spring a limited number of students are accepted into the Speech Language Pathology Paraprofessional program at Lake Region State College after meeting LRSC admission requirements and program application guidelines. As part of the application, you will need:

1. Letter of application (typed, double spaced, one to two pages) including reason(s) for applying to the program, work experience, and a brief biographical sketch.
2. Two letters of reference. Employers and teachers are preferred. Letters should be sent directly from the reference to program coordinator.
3. Completed Admission File. This includes: copies of your high school and/or college transcripts and assessment scores. Transcripts must be on file in the Admissions Office at Lake Region State College by the application deadline. See your "To Do List" in the Student Center of Campus Connection for details.
4. Completion of the grade sheet indicating the grade earned. Current grades (midterm or later are acceptable if currently enrolled in courses. An email from the instructor to the program coordinator is acceptable.
5. An overall Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.5 in the required support courses:
  - ENGL 110 – College Composition I
  - BIOL 115 – Human Structure and Function
  - CD 110 – Survey of Communication Disorders
  - CSCI 101 – Introduction to Computers

APPLICATION DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 1<sup>st</sup>

## ADVISORS/TRiO & PowerSkills

Knowledgeable advisors will help you create a class schedule and choose electives to build strong foundations for upper division coursework and to meet transfer requirements.

TRiO & PowerSkills is an **advising, tutoring, and proctoring resource for everyone**, as well as disability services.

## TIPS FOR STUDENT SUCCESS

1. **SCHEDULE TIME WITH YOUR ADVISOR** immediately after term schedules is published to choose courses for upcoming semesters. Your advisor will help you select courses that meet core requirements.
2. **REGISTER AS EARLY AS YOU CAN** to get into the courses you want and need.
3. **SAVE MONEY BY CARRYING A HEAVIER COURSE LOAD.** Discuss with your advisor if a heavy course load works for you and your schedule. (Tuition & fees cap at 12 and 16, respectively. Other fees may apply and online courses are not included.)
4. **GET STARTED EARLY** Complete all requirements for admission to the Speech Language Pathology Paraprofessional Program as outlined in the SLPP application packet. Contact the Admissions Office to request an application packet.

## CAREER OPTIONS

Employment opportunities for SLPPs are growing. Administrative rules in North Dakota require individuals who assist speech pathologists to be certified as Speech Language Pathology Paraprofessionals. Graduates of the SLPP program meet this standard.



**\$38K**  
MEDIAN WAGE

## STUDENT FOCUSED

LRSC is among the best community colleges by BestColleges and CourseAdvisor 2023. Our students receive individualized support and have access to a variety of support services to help achieve their academic goals.



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STUDENT: FACULTY  
RATIO

## SCHOLARSHIPS

LRSC offers a range of scholarships to our students. Scholarships are funded by the LRSC Community College Foundation through contributions including our alumni, faculty and staff, community organizations, and many businesses and corporations.



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AVAILABLE IN  
SCHOLARSHIPS

ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED SCIENCE - FIRST SEMESTER (FALL)	CREDITS
BIOL 115: Human Structure and Function	4
CD 110: Survey of Communication Disorders	3
CSCI 101: Introduction to Computers	3
ENGL 110: College Composition I	3
SPRING	
CD 210: Introduction to Speech Language Pathology Paraprofessionals	3
CD 221: Language Development for the SLPP	3
ENGL 120: College Composition II	3
SPED 110: Introduction to Exceptional Children**	3
Gen Ed: Physical Education	2
SUMMER	
CD 220: Applied Phonetics for the SLPP	3
CD 222: Articulatory Phonological Disorders for the SLPP	3
SECOND-YEAR (FALL)	
CD 224: Techniques for the SLPP	3
CD 225: Language Disorders and Intervention Treatments for SLPP	3
PSYC 111: Introduction to Psychology	3
SPED 120: Introduction to Positive Behavior Management**	3
MATH 100 or Higher	3
SPRING	
CD 241: Practicum (minimum 100 hours)	4
COMM 110: Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3
PSYC 250: Developmental Psychology	3
SOC 110: Introduction to Sociology	3
<b>Total AAS Credits</b>	<b>minimum 61</b>

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For more information on the Speech Language Pathology Paraprofessional program, please contact Andy Wakeford, [Andy.Wakeford@lrsc.edu](mailto:Andy.Wakeford@lrsc.edu) or visit [www.lrsc.edu](http://www.lrsc.edu).