

Speech Language Pathologist High School Internship Program



The Mentoring Experience

Students are paired with an SLP working in an educational setting who guides them through real-world experiences in the field. Together, they create a personalized plan that will guide the student towards a realistic understanding of the demands and expectations of the Speech Learning Pathology Profession.

Program Brief Description

Connects motivated 11th and 12th graders with experienced professionals in speech language pathology.

- Students gain hands-on experience
- Learn about the career field
- Encourage future careers in special education

Experience

Learn

Encourage



Strategy

Students participate in 30 hours of direct mentorship from experienced SLPs including:

- Shadowing a SLP Mentor - 20 hours
 - Participating in Lunch & Learn events
 - Regular coaching sessions with SLP Mentors
- Developing Materials - 10 hours

Strategy

Students participate in 20 hours of Mentorship/Internship events:

- Kick-off Event (4 hours), required
- Learning Workshops (4 x 2 hours)
- Project Prep (4 hours), required
- Project Culminating Event (4 hours), required

Strategy

Students participate in 10 hours of Education and Training Modules where content aligns to the Ohio Speech and Hearing Professional Board SLD Aide Licensure and program advising experiences that guide students to make connections to employment opportunities in related fields.

Full Continuum from Mentorship to Grad Program

Advancing the Development Programs

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Graduate Development Program

The program provides tuition reimbursement, networking, SLP mentoring and employment for graduate students in an accredited SLP program.

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Undergraduate Experiences Program

The program provides SLP aide license supervision, offers ESC network participation & supports preparation for the graduate SLP student permit.

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High School Mentoring Program

The program pairs students with an SLP mentor and 60 hours of credit-bearing experiences, resulting in an opportunity for Aide Licensure & Ohio Means Jobs Graduation Seal.



For students who are:

- Responsible in academic performance and behavior
- Maintain good school attendance
- Have an interest in the SLP careers field
- Complete an application which is reviewed by the program committee who selects the participants.

Where Do SLPs Work

Infant and toddler programs

- Preschools
- Elementary & Secondary Schools
- Health care settings

Private Practice

- College and University Clinics

Teaching

- Conducting Research
- Supervising Students

Why a Grow Your Own Program?

Key Challenges

- Shortage of SLPs in school districts
- Lack of knowledge of the career field
- Turnover and recruitment costs

Opportunities

- Build from within the community
- Increase retention by investing in local talent.