COMMUNICATION SCIENCES AND DISORDERS (COMSDIS)

COMSDIS 210 Survey of Communication Disorders
3 cr. Undergraduate.
A broad overview of speech, language, and hearing disorders. Normal development, adult functions and cultural differences are explored, as well as general approaches to rehabilitation.
Prerequisites: none.
General Education Requirements: SS
Last Taught: Spring 2018, Fall 2017, Spring 2017, Fall 2016.
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COMSDIS 220 Anatomy and Physiology of Speech, Hearing, and Language Mechanisms
4 cr. Undergraduate.
Structures and functions involved in normal speech, hearing, and language.
Prerequisites: Bio Sci 202 (P) or cons instr.
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COMSDIS 230 Introduction to Phonetics
4 cr. Undergraduate.
Descriptive study of the production and perception of English speech sounds; broad phonetic transcription; introduction to physiological, acoustic, and clinical phonetics. 3 hr Lec, 1 hr Lab/Dis.
Prerequisites: none.
Last Taught: Summer 2018, Fall 2017, Summer 2017, Fall 2016.
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COMSDIS 240 Normal Speech and Language Development
3 cr. Undergraduate.
Intensive study of children's speech and language acquisition and research techniques for investigating children's speech and language behavior. Interrelationship with other development areas also discussed.
Prerequisites: none.
General Education Requirements: SS
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COMSDIS 245 Client Diversity in Health Sciences: An Interdisciplinary Perspective
3 cr. Undergraduate.
Interdisciplinary instruction on effective service delivery in the health sciences to culturally diverse individuals and families. Emphasis on the complexity of an individual's cultural identity.
Prerequisites: soph st or cons instr.
Course Rules: BMS(C L Sci)/ComSDis/HCA/Kin(HMS)/OccThpy/TherRec 245 are jointly offered; they count as repeats of one another.
General Education Requirements: SS, CD
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COMSDIS 250 Interprofessional Communication in the Health Sciences
3 cr. Undergraduate.
Introduction to best-practices in interprofessional communication within the Health Sciences; emphasis on patient-provider interactions, regulations, health literacy, and interprofessional communication.
Prerequisites: none.
General Education Requirements: SS
Last Taught: Fall 2017, Fall 2016.
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COMSDIS 350 Clinical Process I: Articulation and Phonology Disorders
3 cr. Undergraduate.
Introduction to the clinical process and its application to the assessment and intervention of articulation and phonology disorders in children.
Prerequisites: jr st; admis to major; ComSDis 220(NP), 230(NP), 240(NP).
Last Taught: Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Fall 2015, Fall 2014.
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COMSDIS 351 Clinical Process II: Child Language Disorders
3 cr. Undergraduate.
The clinical process and its application to the assessment and intervention of language disorders in children.
Prerequisites: jr st; admis to major; ComSDis 350(NP).
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COMSDIS 380 Bases of Hearing Science
3 cr. Undergraduate.
Consideration of fundamental physical and psychophysical concepts in hearing science and advanced topics in auditory physiology promoting a basic understanding of hearing and hearing measurement.
Prerequisites: ComSDis 220(NP) or cons instr.
Last Taught: Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Spring 2016, Spring 2015.
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COMSDIS 450 Bases of Fluency and Voice Disorders
3 cr. Undergraduate.
Overview of the basic requirements for fluent speech and voice production. Also includes an introduction to the disorders of fluency and voice.
Prerequisites: jr st; admis to major; ComSDis 220(NP), 230(NP), 240(NP) or cons instr.
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COMSDIS 460 Survey of Adult Neurogenic Language and Speech Disorders
3 cr. Undergraduate.
Principles and concepts underlying acquired adult neurogenic language and speech disorders. Topics include aphasia, apraxia, dysarthria, dementia, closed head injury, and right hemisphere disorders.
Prerequisites: jr st; admis to major; ComSDis 220(NP), 230(NP), 240(NP) or cons instr.
Last Taught: Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Fall 2015, Fall 2014.
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COMSDIS 470 Introduction to Audiology
3 cr. Undergraduate. 
Overview of clinical hearing assessment including principles of 
assessment, instrumentation and calibration, basic audiometry, 
interpretation of audiometric results, and hearing disorders. Participation 
in laboratories required. 
Prerequisites: jr st; ComSDis 220(NP), 380(NP) or cons instr. 
Last Taught: Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Fall 2015, Fall 2014. 
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COMSDIS 480 Speech Science
3 cr. Undergraduate. 
Study of anatomic, physiologic, acoustic and perceptual parameters 
involved in speech production and perception; exposure to 
instrumentation for clinical application/research. 
Prerequisites: jr st; admis to major or cons instr. 
Last Taught: Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Fall 2015, Fall 2014. 
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COMSDIS 490 Audiologic (Re)Habilitation
3 cr. Undergraduate. 
Study of the fundamentals of (re)habilitative audiology. Includes study 
of current comprehensive audiologic (re)habilitative approaches with 
pediatric through geriatric populations. 
Prerequisites: jr st; ComSDis 470(P). 
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COMSDIS 500 Clinical Practice in Speech-Language Pathology: 
3 cr. Undergraduate. 
Initial supervised practicum experience with articulation, phonology, and/ 
or child language disorders. 
Prerequisites: jr st; admis to major; ComSDis 351(P); cons instr. 
Course Rules: May not be retaken for cr. 
Last Taught: Spring 2015, Fall 2014, Spring 2014, Fall 2013. 
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COMSDIS 520 Counseling in Communication Disorders 
3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate. 
Current theories in counseling and guidance, procedures designed 
specifically for use with the communicatively impaired. Opportunity for 
application of knowledge will be provided. 
Prerequisites: jr st; admis to major or cons instr. 
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COMSDIS 579 Special Topics in Communication Sciences and Disorders: 
1-3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate. 
Specific topic and any additional prerequisites will be announced in the 
Schedule of Classes each time the course is offered. 
Prerequisites: jr st. 
Course Rules: May be retaken w/chg in topic to max of 6 cr. 
Last Taught: Fall 2015, Spring 2011, Fall 2010, Spring 2010. 
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COMSDIS 580 Communication Problems of the Older Adult 
3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate. 
Study of the impairments to the communicative process caused by 
physiological, environmental, and social psychological changes which 
come with aging. 
Prerequisites: sr st; ComSDis 460 or cons instr. 
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COMSDIS 620 Craniofacial Disorders 
2 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate. 
Genetic, embryological, anatomical and physiological aspects of 
craniofacial disorders, including cleft lip and palate, associated 
communicative disorders; diagnostic and therapeutic approaches for 
related speech-language problems. 
Prerequisites: ComSDis 350(P), 351(P), 480(P); cons instr. 
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COMSDIS 630 Communication Disorders in Multicultural Populations 
2 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate. 
Application of theoretical models and research perspectives to the 
assessment and treatment of communication disorders in children from 
multicultural populations. 
Prerequisites: sr st; cons instr. 
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COMSDIS 634 Collaborative Consultation/Teaming-Serving Young 
Children with Disabilities 
3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate. 
Focus on development of collaboration and consultation skills for 
professionals employed in interdisciplinary and interagency settings. 
Prerequisites: jr st. 
Course Rules: ExcEduc 634, Occthpy 634, & ComSDis 634 are jointly 
offered; they count as repeats of one another. 
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COMSDIS 640 Clinical and Research Instrumentation in Communication 
Sciences & Disorders 
2 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate. 
Hands-on laboratory experience with several clinically practical and non-
vasive instrumentation systems for analyzing, monitoring, documenting 
normal as well as abnormal articulation, voice and prosody. 
Prerequisites: sr st; ComSDis 480(P); cons instr. 
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COMSDIS 650 Communication Assessment and Intervention for Persons 
with Disabilities 
3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate. 
Application of various theories and models of communication 
assessment and intervention for persons with severe/profound 
disabilities. 
Prerequisites: sr st; cons instr. 
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COMSDIS 660 School-Age Language 
2 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate. 
Language disorders in older children and adolescents; application of 
developmental theory to assessment and intervention. 
Prerequisites: sr st; cons instr. 
Last Taught: Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Fall 2015, Fall 2014. 
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COMSDIS 661 The Role of the Speech-language Pathologist in Literacy 
2 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate. 
Language theory related to reading and writing disorders. Speech-
language pathologist's role in assessment and intervention. 
Prerequisites: sr st; cons instr. 
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COMSDIS 670 Advanced Procedures in Audiology
3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.
Masking, speech audiometry, acoustic immittance testing, differential diagnosis, audiological screening design, development and implementation, special pediatric and geriatric concerns; audiologic counseling and hearing aid orientation.
Prerequisites: sr st; ComSDis 470(P); cons instr.
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COMSDIS 688 Evaluation and Diagnosis in Speech-Language Pathology
2 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.
The diagnostic process in speech-language assessment: case histories and interviewing, formal and informal assessment, interpretation of results, and report writing.
Prerequisites: sr st; ComSDis 351(P); or cons instr.
Last Taught: Fall 2017, Summer 2017, Fall 2016, Summer 2016.
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COMSDIS 690 Cognitive Communication Disorders in Adults
2 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.
Prerequisites: sr st, ComSDis 460, and cons instr; or grad st.
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COMSDIS 699 Advanced Independent Study
1-3 cr. Undergraduate.
Individual program of supervised study.
Prerequisites: sr st; cons instr & faculty advisor; completion of advanced independent study form.
Course Rules: May be retaken to 6 cr max.
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COMSDIS 701 Research Design and Methods in Communication Sciences and Disorders
3 cr. Graduate.
Introduction to strategy, design, and methodology in quantitative research; includes considerations in evaluating and understanding components of research articles, and integrating research into clinical practice.
Prerequisites: grad st; cons instr.
Last Taught: Summer 2018, Fall 2017, Summer 2017, Fall 2016.
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COMSDIS 702 Clinical Phonology and Articulation
2 cr. Graduate.
Prerequisites: grad st; cons instr.
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COMSDIS 703 Voice Disorders
2 cr. Graduate.
Diagnosis and treatment of hyperfunctional disorders; psychogenic voice disorders; organic diseases, trauma, and congenital disorders of the larynx; resonance disorders; and alaryngeal speech.
Prerequisites: grad st; cons instr.
Last Taught: Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Fall 2015, Fall 2014.
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COMSDIS 704 Speech Fluency and Stuttering
3 cr. Graduate.
Theory and research related to the nature and treatment of stuttering. Discussion of factors important to the clinical management of fluency in children and adults.
Prerequisites: grad st; cons instr.
Last Taught: Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Fall 2015, Fall 2014.
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COMSDIS 705 Aphasia in Adults
2 cr. Graduate.
Nature of aphasia and related communication disorders. Study of pertinent diagnostic and prognostic techniques and therapeutic procedures.
Prerequisites: grad st; cons instr.
Last Taught: Fall 2011, Fall 2010, Fall 2009, Fall 2008.
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COMSDIS 706 Language Assessment and Intervention: Birth to 5 years
2 cr. Graduate.
Application of various theoretical models and research perspectives to the assessment and treatment of children with language impairments.
Prerequisites: grad st; cons instr.
Last Taught: Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Fall 2015, Fall 2014.
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COMSDIS 709 Evaluation and Management of Swallowing Disorders
3 cr. Graduate.
Study of normal and abnormal swallowing across the lifespan, with emphasis on etiologies, clinical and instrumental evaluation techniques, and management.
Prerequisites: grad st; ComSDis 712(P); cons instr.
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COMSDIS 710 Motor Speech Disorders
3 cr. Graduate.
Basic neurological substrates of the dysarthrias and apraxia, differential diagnosis and treatment of acquired and developmental communication disorders associated with apraxia and dysarthria.
Prerequisites: grad st; ComSDis 703(P) & 712(P).
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COMSDIS 711 Applied Speech Science
3 cr. Graduate.
Advanced study of physiological, acoustical, and perceptual perspectives of normal and abnormal speech production mechanisms; laboratory experience with speech science instrumentation for research/clinical application.
Prerequisites: grad st; cons instr.
Course Rules: Counts as repeat of ComSDis 801.
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COMSDIS 712 Acquired Neurogenic Communication Disorders in Adults
3 cr. Graduate.
Nature of acquired neurogenic communication disorders, including aphasia, TBI, RHD and dementia. Study of pertinent diagnostic and prognostic techniques and therapeutic procedures.
Prerequisites: grad st
Last Taught: Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Fall 2015, Fall 2014.
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COMSDIS 713 Degenerative Cognitive Communication Disorders in Older Adults
2 cr. Graduate.
Nature of healthy cognitive aging and cognitive and communicative disorders of dementia. Study of pertinent diagnostic and prognostic techniques and therapeutic procedures.
Prerequisites: grad st; cons instr.
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COMSDIS 715 Assessment and Intervention in Augmentative and Alternative Communication
3 cr. Graduate.
Application of current research in augmentative and alternative communication (AAC) for assessment, prescription of AAC systems, and intervention planning for individuals with severe communication disorders.
Prerequisites: grad st; cons instr.
Last Taught: Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Fall 2015, Fall 2014.
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COMSDIS 717 Special Populations in Communication Disorders
2 cr. Graduate.
Seminar reviewing the current literature on selected populations of individuals with communication disorders and the implications of this literature on clinical practice.
Prerequisites: grad st.
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COMSDIS 720 Advanced Clinical Practice in Speech-Language Pathology:
1-3 cr. Graduate.
Supervised clinical practice with different speech and language problems in children and adults.
Prerequisites: grad st; cons instr
Course Rules: Counts as a repeat of ComSDis 902. Retakable as necessary to fulfill competency requirements.
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COMSDIS 721 The Clinical Process
1 cr. Graduate.
Analysis of the clinical process with application to clients with different speech-language disorders.
Prerequisites: grad st
Last Taught: Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Fall 2015, Fall 2014.
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COMSDIS 725 Speech/Language Services in Educational and Medical Environments
2 cr. Graduate.
Methods and professional issues related to the speech-language pathologist employed in the educational and medical environments.
Prerequisites: grad st, ComSDis 709(C) or cons instr.
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COMSDIS 726 Speech-Language Pathology Externship in Medical Environments
4 cr. Graduate.
Supervised clinical experience in medical and rehabilitation settings.
Prerequisites: grad st; ComSDis 660(P) or 706(P); ComSDis 725(P); cons instr & grad advisor.
Course Rules: Counts as a repeat of ComSDis 903. May be repeated to 8 cr max.
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COMSDIS 727 Speech-Language Pathology Externship in Educational Environments
4 cr. Graduate.
Supervised clinical experience in educational environments.
Prerequisites: grad st; ComSDis 606(P) or 706(P); Cons instr & grad advisor.
Course Rules: Counts as a repeat of ComSDis 903. May be repeated to 8 cr max.
Last Taught: Spring 2018, Fall 2017, Spring 2017, Fall 2016.
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COMSDIS 728 Instrumentation Laboratory
1 cr. Graduate.
Hands-on experience with speech science instrumentation for analysis of voice, prosody, and resonance.
Prerequisites: grad st; ComSDis 703(C) or cons instr.
Course Rules: Counts as a repeat of ComSDis 903.
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COMSDIS 770 Clinical Practice in Audiologic Assessment
3 cr. Graduate.
Supervised clinical experience at Community Audiology Services, West Allis, WI. Activities include audiologic assessment and (re)habilitation with children and adults (adult emphasis).
Prerequisites: grad st; ComSDis 670(521); cons instr
Course Rules: Counts as a repeat of ComSDis 906.
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COMSDIS 771 Clinical Practice in Audiologic (Re)Habilitation:
2-3 cr. Graduate.
Supervised experience in audiologic (re)habilitation with pediatric or adult clients at on-campus or community sites.
Prerequisites: grad st; ComSDis 670(521) & 706 (for pediatric placements); cons instr.
Course Rules: Counts as a repeat of ComSDis 907. May be repeated to 4 cr max.
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COMSDIS 784 Professional Portfolio Development I  
1 cr. Graduate.  
Students are guided through the second (working) review of their professional development portfolios.  
Prerequisites: grad st  
Last Taught: Summer 2018, Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Fall 2015.  
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COMSDIS 785 Professional Portfolio Development II  
1 cr. Graduate.  
Students are guided through the final process of designing a professional development portfolio.  
Prerequisites: grad st; ComSDis 784(P).  
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COMSDIS 790 Research and Thesis  
1-6 cr. Graduate.  
Independent research and writing under the supervision of a graduate faculty member.  
Prerequisites: grad st; cons instr.  
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COMSDIS 791 Research Experience in Communication Sciences and Disorders  
1 cr. Graduate.  
Supervised research in communication sciences and disorders under the direction of an approved mentor.  
Prerequisites: grad st; cons instr.  
Last Taught: Spring 2018, Fall 2017, Spring 2017, Fall 2016.  
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COMSDIS 799 Independent Studies  
1-3 cr. Graduate.  
Independent pursuit of a creative project designed by the student and supervised by a faculty or instructional academic staff member.  
Prerequisites: grad st; cons grad advisor.  
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COMSDIS 802 Seminar in Applied Phonology:  
1 cr. Graduate.  
Specific topic and any additional prerequisites announced in the Timetable each time the course is offered. May be repeated w/chg in topic to 7 cr max.  
Prerequisites: grad st; cons instr.  
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COMSDIS 804 Seminar in Stuttering and Fluency:  
1 cr. Graduate.  
Specific topic and any additional prerequisites announced in the Timetable each time the course is offered.  
Prerequisites: grad st; cons instr.  
Course Rules: May be repeated w/chg in topic to 7 cr max.  
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COMSDIS 888 Candidate for Degree  
0 cr. Graduate.  
Available for graduate students who must meet minimum credit load requirement.  
Prerequisites: grad st.  
Course Rules: Fee for 1 cr assessed.  
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