PLEASE NOTE: You must be accepted into the SLPA Program through the UH Dept. of Communication Sciences and Disorders (ComD) before you apply to the University. If you are not accepted into the Department (see the admissions procedures cited below), you will be un-enrolled from SLPA courses.

## University of Houston Communication Sciences & Disorders Speech-Language Pathology Assistant Certificate Program Application Packet

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Dear Prospective Speech-Language Pathology Assistant (SLPA) Certificate Program Student,

Thank you for your interest in the SLPA certificate program in Communication Sciences and Disorders (ComD) at the University of Houston-Sugarland. Please review the enclosed information carefully. Applications will be accepted from **May 15 through July 15.** A minimum undergraduate GPA of 2.8 is required to be considered for admission.

To apply for admission, you need to complete materials **FIRST** for the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders, and then, **if accepted**, to the University of Houston using the online Texas Common Application following instructions from the Department. If you do not follow these steps, you will be un-enrolled from any classes for which you attempt to register.

**UH ComD Application:** All of the following information must be submitted.

**APPLICATION PAGE:** Contact and Background Information needs to be submitted on the form provided.

**TRANSCRIPTS:** One official transcript from <u>each institution</u> attended (INCLUDING UH, if you took undergraduate courses at UH). These must be received in a sealed envelope with a stamped seal across the envelope flap.

**PERSONAL STATEMENT:** A personal statement that describes your interests, relevant activities and any other pertinent information. Please keep to 1-2 pages long.

#### ATTENDANCE at SLPA CERTIFICATE PROGRAM INFORMATION SESSION:

Information Sessions are either Wednesday, July 6, 5:30-6:30 pm or Tuesday, July 12, 9:00-10 am. Please contact Mr. Whitley at 713-743-2897 or twhitley@uh.edu to reserve a seat at the information session. Information session is located on the University of Houston – Main Campus, Clinical Research Services Building (CRS) in Room 139 (classroom).

**FEE:** A \$25.00 non-refundable processing fee made out to UH COMD.

**Mail to: SLPA Certificate Program Admissions** 

**100 Clinical Research Services** 

University of Houston Houston, TX 77204-6018

Please Note: If you are accepted by the department, you will be required to deposit a \$250.00 seat reservation fee to reserve your place in the SLPA certificate program. If you do not attend, the fee will not be returned. If you do attend, the fee will be applied to your account.

## Pre-requisite Coursework for the SLPA Certificate Program in Communication Sciences and Disorders

The Speech Language Pathology Assistant (SLPA) Certificate Program prepares students to provide speech and language therapy services under the supervision of a certified speech-language pathologist in a variety of work settings. Graduates of the SLPA certificate program will be eligible for licensure in the State of Texas as a Speech Language Pathology Assistant. The program is designed for individuals who have already achieved a bachelor's degree in another discipline; however, it is possible that ComD undergraduates may petition to add the SLPA certificate program to their undergraduate plan.

SLPA certificate courses that provide a basic understanding of speech, language, hearing, and swallowing, as well as (basic) courses in natural sciences, physical sciences, social sciences, and math must be completed. We strongly recommend that the following background courses be completed prior to entering the SLPA certificate program:

Biological Science (e.g., biology, human anatomy) Physical Science (e.g., physics, chemistry) Social Science (e.g., psychology, sociology, anthropology) Math (e.g., college-level algebra or higher)

# UNIVERSITY of HOUSTON COMMUNICATION SCIENCES AND DISORDERS Speech-Language Pathology Assistant Certificate Program APPLICATION

### **Contact and Background Information**

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