

## **SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST**

- (A) A conferred master's degree in speech pathology or other related communication science disorder area from an accredited institution that includes the following;

Satisfactory completion of at least seventy-five (75) semester hours in speech and language pathology, audiology and other allied fields. At least thirty-six (36) of these semester hours shall be at the graduate level.

**Coursework shall include content designed to develop competencies in the following:**

- (1) Speech and language development;
- (2) Anatomy; physiology of the speech; hearing mechanism;
- (3) Linguistic and cultural issues affecting multicultural populations;
- (4) Speech and language disorders (articulation, language, fluency and voice) to include the following;
  - (a) A minimum of six (6) semester hours in speech disorders; and
  - (b) A minimum of six (6) semester hours in language disorders;
- (5) Clinical procedures in identifying, evaluating and diagnosing speech, language and hearing disorder to include prognosis and recommendations for treatment when indicated;
- (6) Habilitation and rehabilitation of speech and language disorders;
- (7) Auditory pathology; and
- (8) Aural habilitation/rehabilitation; or

(9) Any person holding the Certificate of Clinical Competence in Speech Pathology or whose application has been approved by the American Speech, Language and Hearing Association will be eligible for licensure without evaluation of individual courses.

**Twenty-seventy (27) semester hours designed to develop competencies in the following:**

- (1) The anatomic and physiological bases for normal development and use of speech, language, and hearing;
- (2) The physical bases and processes of the production and perception of speech, language and hearing (i.e., acoustics or physics of sound, phonology and phonetics);
- (3) Linguistic and psycholinguistic variables related to normal development and use of speech, language and hearing;
- (4) Biological/Physical Sciences;
- (5) Mathematics; and
- (6) Behavioral and Social Sciences.

**Twelve (12) semester hours in speech pathology, audiology or other allied field.**

- (B) Satisfactory completion of a minimum of three hundred and fifty (350) clock hours of supervised clinical practicum is required. Two hundred and fifty (250) of which shall be obtained at the graduate level.