About The Major

A major in Communication Disorders explores ways to recognize, treat, and prevent speech, hearing, and language problems across all ages. Students in this program will learn how to diagnose specific disorders in patients who have suffered speech and hearing trauma and receive meaningful, realistic learning experiences through clinical opportunities and practice.

Sample Course Work

Understanding Communication Disorders
Speech Science
Phonetics in Communicative Disorders
Hearing Science
Introduction to Audiology
Language of School-aged Children

Possible Careers

*Some titles may require further education

Speech-Language Pathologist
Audiologist
Clinical Supervisor
Special Education Instructor
Gerontologist
Speech Therapist
Children’s Hearing Specialist
Rehabilitation Counselor
Child Life Specialist
Speech-Language Educator
Public Health Professional
Intervention Specialist

UNI Graduates: Where Are They Now?

- Heartland AEA
- Grant Wood Area Education Agency
- Reliant Rehabilitation
- Area Education Agency 267
- Nix Health Care System
- ProCare Therapy
- Genesis Rehab Services
- Harmony House Health Care Center
- Central Rivers Area Education Agency
- Kindred at Home
- Interactive Therapy Inc.
- ChildServe
- Mayo Clinic Health System
- Mercy Medical Center
- Mary Greeley Medical Center
- Balance Autism
- Talk To Me Technologies

Skills Needed

- Patience
- Compassion
- Acceptance
- Excellent listening skills
- Integrity
- Motivation
- Vocal and Language Skills
- Writing skills
- Empathy/Sensitivity
- Interpretation Ability
- Creativity