

# Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders:

## B.S. In Communication Sciences and Disorders



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### Know the satisfaction of connecting people to the world.

The ability to communicate with others is essential to a productive life. Your degree in communication sciences and disorders is the first step towards a rewarding career helping people connect to the world around them as a speech-language pathologist, audiologist, or researcher.

The Bachelor of Science Communication Sciences and Disorder at Thiel College provides an interdisciplinary curriculum that prepares students in the profession for admission to graduate school and/or for a career. Clinical practicum in Thiel's on-campus Center for Speech-Language Services enables students to apply theory to practice at the undergraduate level. The broad background provided by this major is an important first step in preparing students to provide quality care for the children and adults with whom they will work.

*“The marvelous richness of human experience would lose something of rewarding joy if there were no limitations to overcome. The hilltop hour would not be half so wonderful if there were no dark valleys to traverse.”*

Helen Keller | American author and activist

With a B.S. in Communications Sciences and Disorders get ready to pursue a graduate degree and licensure as a:

- **Speech-Language Pathologist:** SLPs work to prevent, assess, diagnose, and treat speech, language, social communication, cognitive-communication, and swallowing disorders in children and adults. Excellent job opportunities for credentialed SLPs are expected to grow by 27% through 2028, faster than the average for all occupations. \*
- **Audiologist:** Audiologists are healthcare professionals who provide patient-centered care in the prevention, identification, diagnosis, and evidence-based treatment of hearing, balance, and other auditory disorders for people of all ages. Job prospects are strong for audiologists and are expected to grow by 16% from 2020 to 2028.

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**99%**  
**of Thiel students**  
**receive tuition assistance.**

## Help people overcome limitations with a career in the communication sciences

Hearing and balance disorders are complex with medical, psychological, physical, social, educational, and employment implications. This is a satisfying career path that will have. You working alongside other medical specialists, speech-language pathologists, educators, engineers, scientists, and allied health professionals to improve lives.

### Benefits of Joining Thiel college's Program:

- **Graduate Admission:** Students may be accepted into the 5-year BS-CSD/MS-SLP program at Thiel College as incoming first years students based on high school records, test scores, and an interview with program faculty. Thiel undergraduate students get a generous graduate assistantship package for the MS-SLP program.
- **Faculty:** The faculty are highly-qualified in clinical practice, teaching, and research with areas of expertise across the SLP and audiology scopes of practice and are actively involved in professional service at state and national levels.
- **Undergraduate Clinical Practicum:** All CSD students will have the opportunity to have a semester-long clinical practicum experience in Thiel College's brand new on-campus Center for Speech-Language Services.
- **Opportunities:** Students can join the Thiel Chapter of the National Student Speech-Language-Hearing Association and conduct, present and publish research findings at campus, state and national venues.

**You can afford to attend Thiel College. Contact an admissions counselor to learn about scholarship opportunities.**



\*U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics as of July 2020

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