

# Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders:

## Speech-Language Pathology - M.S.



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### Improve the quality of life for people with communication disorders

Speech-language pathologists give people the gift of communication. When you work in this exciting and growing field, you will find yourself an integral part of a team that can significantly change an individual's life, whether it's a child with a speech or language disorder or an adult recovering from an accident or stroke.

The Thiel College Master of Science in Speech-Language Pathology strives to prepare graduates to provide quality entry-level speech-language services. As a graduate student, you'll be able to take advantage of challenging academic experiences and a variety of clinical practicum experiences that will prepare to become a practicing Speech-Language Pathologist in just 15 months.

*"A voice is a human gift; it should be cherished, and used to utter fully human speech as possible."*

Margaret Atwood | Canadian Poet

## Discover the Joy of Helping Someone Recover Their Voice

As a speech-language pathologist, you will assess, diagnose, treat and even help to prevent communication and swallowing disorders in both children and adults. You'll find meaningful work in many places including schools, hospitals, rehabilitation centers and other health care facilities.

With a master's degree in speech-language pathology from Thiel College, you'll be entering a field that offers outstanding opportunities for long term career growth. The need for speech-language pathologists is expected to grow by 27% through 2028, and the current median annual salary is \$79,120.\*

## As a Thiel College SLP graduate student you can jump-start your career with our program:

- Understand and follow the ASHA Code of Ethics in all clinical experiences
- Learn and apply the basic principles and concepts of research design and become critical consumers of research
- Apply evidence-based knowledge when assessing and intervening in clinical settings
- Develop critical thinking skills for use of best practices
- Learn to select the most appropriate diagnostic tools and analyze results to arrive at an accurate diagnosis and develop an appropriate treatment plan
- Cultivate listening and compassion skills and communicate test results, diagnose, and propose treatments in a way that individuals and their families can understand

## Benefits of a Thiel College Speech-Language Pathology master's program

- No application fee
- High-quality program with no out-of-pocket fees
- Graduate assistantships offered to all students
- Accelerated program completion in 15 months
- Experienced, full-time faculty
- Clinical practicum opportunities every semester
- Membership in state and professional organizations

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

For more information on graduate programs at Thiel College, contact the Office of Admissions at [admissions@thiel.edu](mailto:admissions@thiel.edu) or visit [www.thiel.edu/SLP](http://www.thiel.edu/SLP).



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