



# BA/BS Communication Disorders

## COMMUNICATION DISORDERS (BACHELOR OF ARTS / BACHELOR OF SCIENCE)

**GRADUATE PROGRAMS OFFERED:** Master of Arts in Communication Disorders

Students in this program gain the foundational knowledge of typical communication development, including hearing, speech, and language. This foundation allows for further exploration of developmental and acquired disorders of speech, language, cognition, and swallowing across the lifespan. Students learn the critical skills required to assess and treat disordered communication with hands-on experience while analyzing, observing, and exploring the anatomy and physiology of human communication.



### PROFESSIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Conduct your own **research** and present at various conferences and conventions, including the **American Speech-Language-Hearing Association** convention.

Join other professionals as a member of the **National Student Speech-Language-Hearing Association**, along with various other student organizations at Truman.

**Study abroad** with fellow students to gain real-world experience and help provide screenings and education.

### NOTABLE GRADUATE SCHOOLS

- Truman State University
- Saint Louis University
- University of Missouri-Columbia
- University of Kansas
- Washington University School of Medicine\*

\*Truman has agreements that provide qualified applicants automatic admission into Washington University School of Medicine to pursue a Master of Science in Deaf Education or a Doctor of Audiology.

### SPEECH AND HEARING CLINIC

Work with real clients in Truman's **Speech and Hearing Clinic**, which serves over 1,000 children and adults yearly.

Learn to assess and treat a variety of communication impairments, such as speech and language problems, cognitive-communication disorders, voice disorders, stuttering, and hearing loss.



Within the clinic, you can also work with children in the **Truman-RiteCare Early Literacy Lab** which serves children at risk for literacy difficulties.

### AFTER GRADUATION

Students who graduate from this program can find employment in diverse careers such as speech-language pathology assistant (SLP-A) or audiology assistant. Obtaining a BA or BS in Communication Disorders also prepares students to pursue graduate studies in order to become a speech-language pathologist (SLP – "speech therapist"), audiologist, teacher, or community support specialist.

### MORE INFO:

