

Early Decision Pathway for High School Seniors and First Year SAU Students

The Early Decision Pathway for the St. Ambrose University Master Speech-Language Pathology (MSLP) program is for high school seniors and first year students wanting to continue at SAU for their master's degree in speech-language pathology. By starting at St. Ambrose as an undergraduate student, you'll have the advantage of a seamless transition from undergraduate to graduate education. You'll also have two academic advisors: one for your undergraduate major and one in the MSLP program.

High School Seniors Early Decision MSLP Pathway Requirements

- Attain a minimum of 3.0/4.0 unweighted high school GPA
- Be accepted as a first-year student at St. Ambrose University.
- Email the following to mstp@sau.edu
 - A personal statement describing your interest in speech-language pathology
 - A letter of reference from a high school teacher or employer
 - Documentation of at least 6 hours of observation with a nationally certified speech-language pathologist(s). This can be a letter from the person your observed.
- Undergraduate majors that provide a strong foundation for the MSLP Program are Psychology, Behavioral Neuropsychology, Elementary or Secondary Education, Early Childhood Education with a Special Education Endorsement, Spanish, English, Communication, Biology, Social Work, Sociology

- 1) General Education Content Areas – completion of at least one course in each of the content areas below with a grade of 'C' or better.
 - Biology
 - Physics or Chemistry
 - Statistics
 - Social Science

- 2) Coursework for a minor in Communication Sciences and Disorders – completion of required coursework with cumulative GPA of 3.3
 - EDCOMM-325 Intro Speech Pathology
 - MSLP 400 - Phonetics (pre-requisite for MSLP 420)
 - MSLP 420 - Articulation and Phonological Disorders
 - MSLP 410 - Neurology, Anatomy, and Physiology of the Speech and Hearing Mechanisms
 - MSLP 430 - Speech and Hearing Science
 - MSLP 450 - Language Development and Disorders
 - MSLP 440 - Audiology and Aural Rehabilitation