

# TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY

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## ADMISSIONS AND RETENTION CRITERIA

The Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders has established admission and retention criteria for admission into (1) the Communications Sciences Bachelor's Degree Program, (2) the Certification Program in Deaf Education, and (3) the Graduate Program in Speech Language Pathology and Deaf Education. Guidelines for admission are provided below.

### Admission to Bachelor's (BS) Degree Program

Students must officially apply for acceptance into the Communication Sciences Program. To apply, you must:

- (1) Fill out the enclosed departmental application and return it to the office.
- (2) Submit copies of transcript(s) of all your previous academic work.
- (3) Your GPA must be 2.75 or better for your last 30 hours of academic work. (Note: A student **can not** apply until they have completed 30 semester hours of undergraduate work.)

We will notify you by mail regarding the acceptance of your application for admission into your department.

### Retention in the BS Degree Program

Students admitted to the program must:

- (1) Maintain a GPA of 3.0 for all COMS classes.
- (2) Make a grade of "C" in no more that two COMS classes. (Note: A COMS class can be retaken only one time to improve a grade.)

### Admission to the Deaf Education Certification Program

Admission to the Certification Program in Deaf Education is competitive. Students should make application to the certification program through the Department of Education near the end of the first semester of their senior year.

### Admission to the Graduate Programs in Speech-Language Pathology and Deaf Education

Admission to the Graduate Programs is competitive. Students should make application to graduate school after they have taken the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) during their senior year. (The GRE is required only for the SLP program, not Deaf Education program.)

(Note: While we recognize that post-baccalaureate work is a few years off for most students, we feel it is important to consider such matters early because a Bachelor's degree in Communication Sciences does not ensure licensure or certification for practice in your field.)

I have read the statements above, and will follow the admissions and retention criteria of the Department of Communication Sciences.

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Student Signature

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Date