

Minnesota State University, Mankato Communication Sciences and Disorders Post-baccalaureate Certificate

The following coursework must be completed or scheduled prior to consideration for graduate admission. The requirements include a set of general education courses and required post-baccalaureate core courses. Courses are listed according to semester offered & *format.

Schedule Planner: A summer start is recommended. Use the √ column to mark the semester when you plan to take each course or check the "Previous" column if using an equivalent course from a previous degree.

Course:	Cr.	Topic:	Semester & *Course Delivery Formats						
			√	Summer	√	Fall	√	Spring	√
General Education Requirements (may be counted if earned during previous undergraduate degree).									
Statistics		Basic stats, educational stats, or behavioral sciences stats							
Biology		Biology, human anat. & phys, neuroanatomy/phys, human genetics, or animal biology							
Physical Sci.		Physics or chemistry							
Soc./ Behhav		Psychology, sociology, anthropology, or public health							
Post-baccalaureate Certificate Required Core									
CDIS 201	3	Observation of Human Comm.		Online		In-Person or Online		In-person or Online	
CDIS 220	3	Basic Audiology						Online	
CDIS 290	3	Intro. Communication Disorders		Online		Online		Online	
CDIS 312	3	Speech & Language Develop.		Online		In-Person or Online			
CDIS 322	3	Speech & Hearing Science		Online		Online			
CDIS 392	3	Phonetics		Online		In-Person or Online			
CDIS 394	3	Applied Anatomy & Phys.		Online				In-Person or Online	
CDIS 421	3	Aural Rehabilitation						Online	
<p style="background-color: yellow;">The following courses will be required only if you are admitted to the graduate program. You may defer taking them until your admission status is known (notices are sent in March), however, deferring requires a commitment to completing the courses during the summer term just prior to beginning graduate school. The courses can be taken earlier along with the core courses listed above, but this would occur before your admission status is known.</p>									
CDIS 444	3	Appraisal & Diagnosis		Online		Hybrid			
CDIS 410	2	Neurological Bases of Speech		Online		In-Person or Online			
CDIS 431	1	Observation of Clinical Methods SLP		Online				In-Person or Online	
CDIS 434	2	Clinical Methods in SLP		Online				In-Person or Online	
*Course Format:		Description:							
In-person		Traditional meeting in the classroom							
Online		Class is completely online; may be synchronous or asynchronous (check registration system for details about the course delivery format).							
Hybrid		Class is offered partly online and partly face-to-face (contact Instructor for specifics).							

Offerings vary - see online course schedule: <https://secure2.mnsu.edu/courses/>

Applying to MSU:

To complete the Post-baccalaureate certificate in Communication Sciences and Disorders, apply to MSU using the [online application for undergraduate students](#). Below are some tips while completing the online application:

After completing sections about your personal information, citizenship, and contact information, you will complete a section on your education history. Although it is not a required field, be sure to select your **Degree Earned** (or will be earned) under 'Education-College/University Attended.'

The screenshot shows the 'Education - College / University Attended' section of the application. It features a progress bar at the top with steps 1 through 8. The main heading is 'Education - College / University Attended'. Below the heading, there is a prompt: 'Please Select the State, Institution, Start Date, End Date and Degree Earned then click "Add this Institution."'. The form includes a 'State' dropdown menu, 'Start Date (mm/yyyy)' and 'End Date (mm/yyyy)' input fields, and a 'Degree Earned' dropdown menu. A blue '- Back' button is on the left, and a green '+ Add this Institution' button is on the right.

In a later section requesting information regarding your intended major, you will be asked to indicate your educational intent. Select **"Earn occupational certificate/diploma."**

The screenshot shows the 'Major - Educational Intent' section. It asks the user to 'Select the option that best describes your educational goal while attending Minnesota State University, Mankato:'. There are six radio button options: 'Earn Bachelor's (four-year) degree.', 'Earn Associate (two year) degree and transfer.', 'Earn Associate (two year) degree.', 'Earn occupational certificate/diploma.', 'Complete courses and transfer without a degree.', and 'Complete courses, but not a degree.' Each option has a brief description of what it entails.

Next, click the green **Add Major/Program** button.

The screenshot shows the 'Major - Academic Program' section. It states: 'Selecting a major/academic program of interest is optional. However, to be eligible for financial aid choosing a major/program is required.' Below this, there is a table with columns for 'Course', 'Delivery of Major', and 'Major'. At the bottom, there is a blue '- Back' button, a green '+ Add Major/Program' button, and a blue 'Next -->' button. An 'Important Notice' is displayed in a yellow box at the bottom.

Under "preferred delivery method," choose **"on Campus"** - even if you plan to take some or all of your courses online. Next, select **Communication Disorders** under desired major/academic program. Finally, select **Bachelor of Science** under desired degree/award. **NOTE:** the software does not provide a choice for certificate here, but your application will be properly processed based on your earlier choice of "Earn occupational certificate/diploma").

The screenshot shows the 'Major - Academic Program of Interest' section. It asks the user to 'Please indicate your major/academic program of interest below.' There are three dropdown menus: 'Preferred delivery method:' with 'On Campus' selected, 'Desired major/academic program:' with 'COMMUNICATION DISORDERS' selected, and 'Desired degree/award:' with 'Bachelor of Science' selected.

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Academic Advising:

If you are admitted to MSU and decide to enroll in the CSD Post-baccalaureate program, please follow these two steps:

1. Following this link to the webpage showing the “Major Button.”

After logging in, select “I want to modify my major(s)” and remove Communication Sciences & Disorders - B.S. Then go to “I want to modify my certificate(s)” and add the certificate, Communication Sciences & Disorders (Post-Bacc) which is found in the drop-down menu. Remember to scroll all the way to the bottom to sign and submit the changes by clicking on the blue box “Click Here to Sign Form.”

Having the correct information in your student record is helpful for us if we need to run reports or contact students with pertinent information related to your program. If you have any problems changing your major, please contact Administrative Assistant Carol Reedstrom at 507-389-1414 or carol.reedstrom@mnsu.edu

2. Request an academic advisor for the post-baccalaureate program. Call 507-389-1414 or carol.reedstrom@mnsu.edu

Financial Aid:

For information about financial aid, please contact the Campus Hub to discuss financial aid eligibility for the [Communication Sciences and Disorders Post-Baccalaureate Certificate](#).

Campus Hub: Address: 117 Centennial Student Union

Phone: 507-389-1866

Email: campushub@mnsu.edu

[Out-of State or Non-reciprocity Students](#): Out-of-state tuition rates may apply. Please refer to [Tuition and Fees](#) on the MSU website.

[International Students](#): Please contact the [Kearney Center for International Student Services](#) for information regarding regulations such as full time status, access to online courses, and initial semester of enrollment.