



**Communication Sciences and Disorders  
Post-Baccalaureate Certificate**

**Schedule Planner:** The following coursework must be completed or scheduled prior to consideration for graduate admission. Courses are listed according to semester offered & \*format. A summer start is recommended, but you can start any semester. See instructions in blue highlighted sections.

Course:	Cr.	Topic:	Semester & *Course Delivery Formats			
			Summer	Fall	Spring	Previous

**General Education Requirements:** Enter courses under the semester when you plan to take them. If you have already taken an equivalent course during your previous undergraduate degree, check the “previous” column.

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				

**Required Core:** Circle an offering in the semester column to mark when you plan to take each course

CDIS 201	3	Observation of Human Comm.	Online Asynchronous	Online Asynchronous	Online Asynchronous	
CDIS 220	3	Basic Audiology			In-Person or Online Synchronous	
CDIS 290	3	Intro. Communication Disorders	Online Asynchronous	Online Asynchronous	Online Asynchronous	
CDIS 312	3	Speech & Language Develop.	Online Asynchronous	In-Person or Online Synchronous	In-Person or Online Synchronous	
CDIS 322	3	Speech & Hearing Science	Online Asynchronous	In-Person or Online Synchronous		
CDIS 392	3	Phonetics	Online Asynchronous	Online Synchronous		
CDIS 394	3	Applied Anatomy & Phys.	Online Asynchronous		In-Person or Online Synchronous	
CDIS 421	3	Aural Rehabilitation			In-Person or Online Synchronous	

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.

CDIS 444	3	Appraisal & Diagnosis		In-Person or Online Synchronous		
CDIS 410	2	Neurological Bases of Speech	Online Asynchronous	In-Person or Online Synchronous		
CDIS 431	1	Observation of Clinical Methods SLP			In-Person or Online Synchronous	
CDIS 434	2	Clinical Methods in SLP			In-Person or Online Synchronous	

*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 for the Post-Baccalaureate Certificate:

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 contains several fields: 'State' with a dropdown menu, 'Start Date (mm/yyyy)' and 'End Date (mm/yyyy)' with text input fields, and 'Degree Earned' with a dropdown menu. At the bottom, there are two buttons: a blue '- Back' button and a green '+ Add this Institution' button.

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 has a progress bar at the top with steps 1 through 8. The heading is 'Major - Educational Intent'. The prompt is: '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.'. The 'Earn occupational certificate/diploma.' option is selected and highlighted in yellow.

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

The screenshot shows the 'Major - Academic Program' section. It has a progress bar at the top with steps 1 through 8. The heading is 'Major - Academic Program'. Below the heading, there is a prompt: 'Selecting a major/academic program of interest is optional. However, to be eligible for financial aid choosing a major/program'. There is a table with three columns: 'Course', 'Delivery of Major', and 'Major'. Below the table, there are three buttons: a blue '- Back' button, a green '+ Add Major/Program' button, and a blue 'Next ->' button. At the bottom, there is an 'Important Notice' section with a warning icon and text.

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 has a progress bar at the top with steps 1 through 8. The heading is 'Major - Academic Program of Interest'. Below the heading, there is a prompt: '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. Follow 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](mailto:carol.reedstrom@mnsu.edu)

2. Request an academic advisor for the post-baccalaureate program. Call 507-389-1414 or [carol.reedstrom@mnsu.edu](mailto:carol.reedstrom@mnsu.edu)

### **Financial Aid:**

Students who enroll in the post-baccalaureate certificate program may be eligible for financial aid up to 36 credits if all courses are taken through MSU, Mankato. Courses taken outside of MSU may not be eligible for financial aid. Because each student's situation and eligibility for financial aid is unique, please contact the Campus Hub to inquire about your 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](mailto: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.