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AUDIOLOGY TECHNICAL STANDARDS
Department of Communication Disorders
LSU Health Sciences Center, New Orleans

In addition to demonstrated academic ability and other relevant admissions criteria, the LSU Health Sciences Center, School of Allied Health Professions program in audiology expects all applicants to and students of the program to possess and be able to demonstrate the skills, attributes and qualities set forth below, without unreasonable dependence on technology or intermediaries. If you are uncertain about your abilities to meet these technical standards, please consult with the Admissions Chair to discuss your individual situation.

Physical Health: The student must possess the physical health and stamina needed to carry out the program of audiology.

Intellectual Skills: The student must have sufficient powers of intellect to acquire, assimilate, integrate and apply information. The student must have the intellectual ability to solve problems and the ability to comprehend three-dimensional and spatial relationships.

Motor Skills: The student must have sufficient use of motor skills to carry out all necessary audiological procedures, both those involved in learning the fundamental sciences and those required in the clinical environment. This includes the ability: (1) to participate in relevant educational exercises and to extract information from written sources; (2) use a computer keyboard to operate laboratory equipment, and (3) access transportation to all clinical and academic placements.

Communication: The audiology student must have sufficient use of the sense of speech, hearing and vision to communicate effectively with patients, faculty, staff, peers and other health care professionals in both oral and written form, e.g. SOAP notes, diagnostic reports.

Sensory Abilities: The student must have sufficient use of the sense of vision, hearing, touch and smell to observe effectively in the classroom, laboratory and clinical setting. Students must possess the ability to observe both close at hand and at a distance.

Behavioral Qualities: The student must possess emotional health sufficient to carry out the tasks above, must have good judgment and must behave in a professional, reliable, mature and responsible manner. The student must be adaptable, possessing sufficient flexibility to function in the new and stressful environments. The student must be able to critically evaluate her/his own performance, be forthright about errors, accept constructive criticism, and look for ways to improve. The student must show respect for individuals of different age, ethnic background, religion, and/or sexual orientation. The student must exhibit professional behavior by conforming to appropriate standards of dress, appearance, language and public behavior. The student must uphold the Code of Ethics of the American-Speech-Language-Hearing Association and the code of Academic Conduct of the LSU Health Science Center's School of Allied Health Professions.

Each student must continue to meet all of the TECHNICAL STANDARDS set forth above. A student may be denied permission to continue in the audiology program at the LSU Health Sciences Center should the student fail at any time to demonstrate ALL of the required TECHNICAL STANDARDS.

Please Print Name

Signature

Date