

ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE (A.S.) DEGREE

• Speech-Language Pathology Assistant

- Must be admitted to A.S. degree program through the application process

CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

• Speech-Language Pathology Aide

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

- 1) **Speech-Language Pathology Aide:** A speech-language pathology aide works as a support professional in the field of communication disorders. This is an entry-level position in which the aide assists a Speech-Language Pathologist (SLP) in completing clerical work or therapy-related tasks. A speech-language pathology aide may only work under the direct supervision of a licensed SLP. They are required to report their employment to the California Speech-Language Pathology, Audiology, and Hearing Aid Dispensers (CA SLPAAHD) Board. Speech-language pathology aides may be employed in schools, clinics, and medical centers.
- 2) **Speech-Language Pathology Assistant:** Upon successful completion of the program, speech-language pathology assistants (SLPAs) can apply to the CA SLPAAHD Board for licensure. Once licensure is received, they can work as a SLPA under the supervision of a state-licensed speech-language pathologist. SLPAs may work in a variety of settings, including schools, clinics, and home health. Job duties include providing therapy for individuals with communication disorders, conducting screenings, preparing and maintaining therapy materials/devices, and performing clerical duties.



SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AIDE CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT (20 units)

• ASL 110	American Sign Language I (4 units).....	Completed	☐
• CDEV C1000	Child Development (3 units).....	Completed	☐
• CD 139	Observation, Assessment, and Positive Guidance of Childhood Behavior (3 units)	Completed	☐
• CDSE 150	Introduction to Children with Special Needs (3 units).....	Completed	☐
OR CDSE 152	Curriculum and Strategies for Children with Special Needs (3 units)	Completed	☐
OR EDEL 210	Special Education, Disability, Equity, and American Education (3 units).....	Completed	☐
• SLP 100	Introduction to Speech-Language Pathology (1 unit).....	Completed	☐
• SLP 101	Introduction to Communication Disorders (3 units).....	Completed	☐
• SLP 105	Speech and Language Development in Children (3 units)	Completed	☐

In addition to the SLP Aide Certificate of Achievement courses, the following requirements must be completed to apply for admission to the Associate in Science degree for Speech-Language Pathology Assistant (based on the Cerritos General Education Curriculum):

• 3 units (minimum) from Area 1 (English Communication) Section A (English Composition)	Completed	☐
• 3 units (minimum) from Area 1 (English Communication) Section B (Oral Communication & Critical Thinking)	Completed	☐
• 3 units (minimum) from Area 2 (Mathematical Concepts and Quantitative Reasoning)	Completed	☐
• Courses for the Speech-Language Pathology Aide Certificate of Achievement (20 units).....	Completed	☐
• A&P 120 Introduction to Anatomy and Physiology (4 units)	Completed	☐
OR Anatomy 150 Introduction to Human Anatomy (4 units).....	Completed	☐
• SLP 208 Introduction to Phonetics (3 units)	Completed	☐

TOTAL REQUIREMENTS TO APPLY TO A.S. DEGREE IN SLPA: 35 units

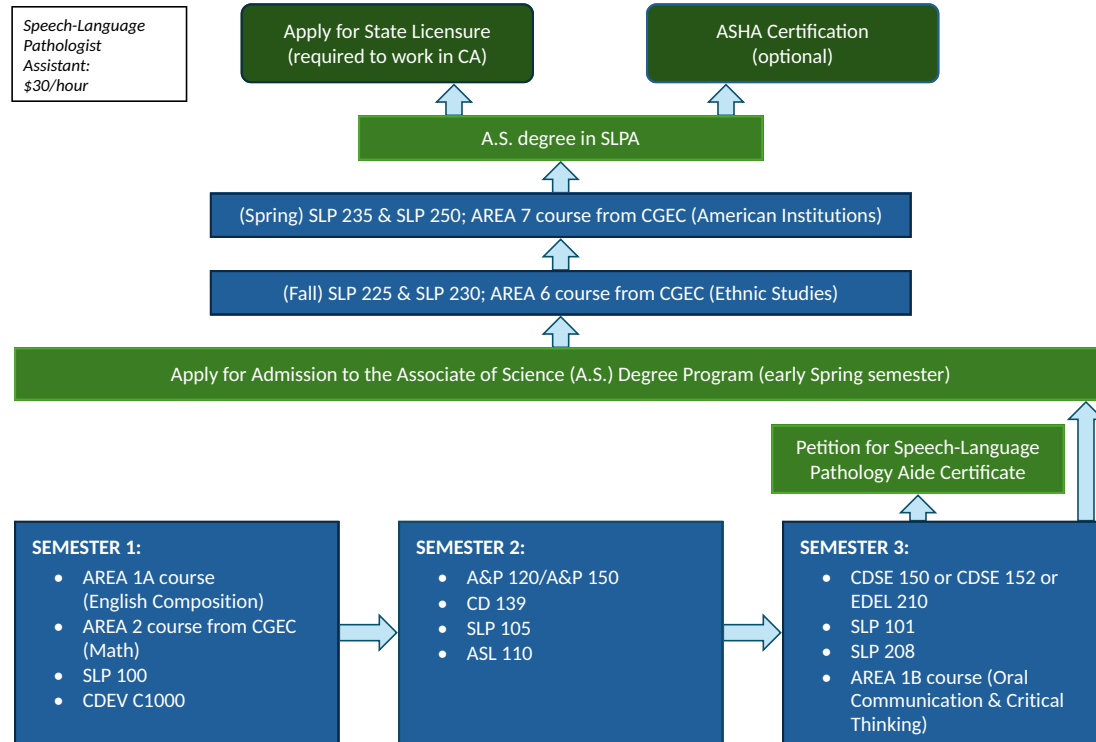
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• SLP 225	Child Disorders and Treatment (5 units)	Completed	☐
• SLP 230	Introduction to Augmentative and Alternative Communication (3 units)	Completed	☐
• SLP 235	Adult Disorders and Treatment (5 units)	Completed	☐
• SLP 250	Fieldwork Experience (4 units)	Completed	☐
• 3 units from Area 6 (Ethnic Studies)*		Completed	☐
• 3 units from Area 7 (American Institutions)*		Completed	☐

TOTAL ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE DEGREE: 61 units

**While these courses may be taken while completing their final year of the Associate of Science degree requirements for SLPA, it is recommended that students complete all general education units before the last semester of the program. Please see the recommended pathway on the reverse side.*

CERRITOS COLLEGE SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT CAREER PATHWAY



- Prospective students with a bachelor or post-baccalaureate certificate in Speech-Language Pathology/Communication Sciences & Disorders may apply. Consult a Health Sciences & Wellness Pathway counselor or the SLPA Department Chair for a transcript review to determine which courses will transfer.
- All students must take SLP 100 at Cerritos College. No other courses from other institutions will be accepted.
- All students who wish to apply to the SLPA Associate of Science degree program must take SLP 100, including students with Bachelor degrees in Speech-Language Pathology/Communication Disorders/Communication Sciences and Disorders.
- SLP 100, SLP 101, SLP 105, and SLP 208 must be taken within 8 years at the time of application to the A.S. program. Please see the SLPA website and SLPA Student Handbook at <https://www.cerritos.edu/slpa> for more information regarding the application process.

Interested in enrolling in Cerritos College?

Please refer to the step-by-step enrollment process:
www.cerritos.edu/futurestudents

Want to apply to get your certificate?

1. Make sure you meet the requirements for certificate.
 - a. Determine which form to fill out and download the form at:
www.cerritos.edu/admissions-and-records/online-forms/
 - i. Petition for Certificate: Petition to graduate with a Certificate of Achievement
 - ii. Petition for Degree: Petition to graduate with an Associate in Science
2. Fill out the appropriate form and meet with a counselor.
 - a. Make an appointment by calling (562) 860-2451, ext. 2231 or use Online Counseling at:
www.cerritos.edu/counseling/online-orientation.htm



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