

Addendum

Thru June 30, 2021

Area Updated	Date of Update	Type of Update
Application Fee	05/25/21	Regulation area: change in fee
Certificate in Asian Americans in Secondary Schooling	06/28/21	Program requirement updates
Deaf Education, M.A.	05/25/21	Program requirement updates
General Education	06/17/21	New requirement added
Geology, B.S.	05/12/21	Program requirement updates
Human Nutrition, B.S.	05/28/21	New Degree
Special Major for a Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Science Degree)	05/19/21	Regulation area: new policy
Special Major Update	05/28/21	Regulation area: additional language added
Speech-Language Pathology, M.A.	05/12/21	Program requirement updates

May 12, 2021

- **Geology, B.S.**

- **3. Other requirements (9 units)***

- American Government and Institutions (PLSI 2), Multicultural and International (MI), and Upper-division writing. Note: Geology majors take EES 104W to fulfill the Upper-Division Writing requirement.

- **Speech-Language Pathology, M.A.**

- **Grade Requirements**

- To be eligible to receive the master's degree, a student must have maintained a B average with no more than two C grades on the approved Program of Study. Once a student has received three Cs at any point in the graduate program, he or she will automatically be disqualified from the graduate program.

The Master of Arts in Speech-Language Pathology consists of 36 units of academic coursework, plus an additional **clinical core** of 22 graduate units. **Therefore, all students must take a *minimum total of 58 graduate units to complete the program.***

The courses for this graduate program are as follows: CSDS 200, 202, 204, 207, 210, 213, 214, 215, 216, 218, 220, 221; the CLINICAL PRACTICUM includes CSDS 230 (three semesters), , 257, and 267.

All of these courses must be completed for the student to graduate and be eligible for state licensing and credentialing as well as the national certification.

[Master of Arts Degree Requirements Speech-Language Pathology Major](#)
[CSDS 200](#), [202](#), [204](#), [207](#), [213](#), [214](#), [215](#), [216](#), [218](#), [220](#) **(30 units)**

Culminating Experience **(6 units)**

Thesis or project (6 units)

Comprehensive Examination (6 units)

[CSDS 210](#), [221](#)

Total (36 units)

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- **Special Major for a Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Science Degree**

The Special Major Degree provides an opportunity for students to engage in an individualized course of study leading to a degree when one's academic and professional goals are not accommodated by standard degree majors. The Special Major consists of correlated studies in two or more fields and should provide integrated

instruction comparable in quality and depth to regular major programs. It is not intended as a means of bypassing normal graduation requirements.

The candidate must have the special major program approved by the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs or designee prior to the semester of graduation. The minimum requirement for the Special Major is an approved program of 45 units at least 30 units of which must be upper division work. Units applied to satisfy General Education requirements may be included in the Special Major. Also, a maximum of six independent study units may be included in the Special Major Program. Any exception to the above criteria must be approved in writing by the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs or designee.

A student requesting a Special Major must obtain application forms from the University Advising Center. On these forms the student must: 1) Prepare a statement giving reasons for desiring a Special Major in terms of academic and professional goals and why these goals cannot be met through a standard major; 2) Develop a specific list of courses which would lead to the academic and professional goals stated above; 3) Secure the signed approval from the University Advising Center, as well as from the Special Major Advisor and department chair in the areas from which the Special Major courses are drawn. The student must submit the foregoing material to the Office of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs or designee for final approval.

May 25, 2021

- **Deaf Education, M.A.**

Master of Arts Degree Requirements Deaf Education

The Deaf Education Master of Arts degree is considered essential for the professional training needed for effective practice in deaf education or speech-language pathology. The Master of Arts degree generally involves about two years of full-time study.

Admission Requirements

The graduate program is open to students with Communicative Sciences and Deaf Studies or related bachelor's degrees who have demonstrated the ability to excel at an advanced level as well as indicated great potential for success in academic work and clinical work. In order to be considered for admission to the graduate program, the applicant needs to submit the following: (1) transcript with a minimum GPA of 3.0 in the last 60 units of any coursework and a minimum GPA of 3.0 in CSDS coursework; (2) three letters of recommendation; (3) a letter of intent; and (4) Graduate Record Examination (GRE) scores.

Consideration for admission may include but will not be limited to the following: (1)

students with outstanding clinical potential, (2) students with disabilities, and (3) students with multicultural or bilingual experience.

Applicants who have specific deficiencies or need coursework may be accepted with conditionally classified status. Students must apply to the department for fully classified graduate standing as soon as any conditions of acceptance have been met. No more than 10 units of graduate work taken under conditional classification can be used to meet the requirements of the Master of Arts degree.

Admission Procedures

To apply for graduate study in the Department of CSDS, you need to apply to the university and to the department by completing the following two (2) steps. Our deadlines for application may differ from those published by the University; contact the department office at 559.278.2423 for the current application deadlines.

Step 1. Apply to the University

For more information about applying to a graduate program at the university, please visit the [Graduate Admissions page](#). There is a list of helpful links that may answer questions you may have.

- a. Submit your application online via CSU Apply.
- b. Submit one copy of the official transcript to the university. Information about submitting your transcripts to the university can be found on the [Transcripts Requirement page](#).
- c. Submit one copy of GRE scores to Fresno State Graduate Admissions. The school code is 4312. (These scores will go directly to the university and not the Communicative Sciences and Deaf Studies Department.) For more information about the GRE, go to <http://www.ets.org/gre> for their home page. .

Step 2. Apply to the Department

After applying to the university you will be directed to the department application forms. Send a single envelope with a completed packet that includes the following:

- a. Department application
- b. Three letters of recommendation addressed to the department (each in a sealed envelope signed by the person writing the recommendation over the seal)
- c. Letter of intent addressed to the department Please mail your packet to:
Graduate Coordinator
Dept. Communicative Sciences and Deaf Studies
California State University, Fresno
5310 N. Campus Drive, MS PH80
Fresno, California 93740-8019

Advancement to Candidacy

Each student in a Master of Arts degree program must file for advancement to candidacy. See Admissions and Master of Arts Degree Programs, Division of Research and Graduate Studies.

Graduate-Level Writing Competence

California State University, Fresno requires that students have graduate-level writing abilities before being advanced to candidacy for the Master of Arts degree. Students can demonstrate these abilities by passing the writing component of CSDS 203 and obtaining written clearance from the instructor. If GWR clearance is denied, students may appeal to the course instructor. Please see the CSDS Graduate Handbook for more information.

Statistics

Any 3-unit, one semester statistics course (lower division, upper division, or graduate level) is required to complete the Master of Arts in Deaf Education. Students are encouraged to take the course during their senior year. Exceptions may be made with the consent of their faculty advisor.

Grade Requirements

To be eligible to receive the Master of Arts degree, a student must have maintained a B average with no more than two C grades on the approved Program of Study. Once a student has received three Cs at any point in the graduate program, he or she will automatically be disqualified from the graduate program.

Program Requirements

CSDS 201, CSDS 203, CSDS 206, CSDS 255, CSDS 262, CSDS 263, CSDS 264, CSDS 271, CSDS 272, CSDS 273 (30 units)

Culminating Experience -

Thesis or project (6 units)

Comprehensive Examination

Total (36 units)

Student Teaching and Internship

Students are required to take their final student teaching and internship (e.g. CSDS, 258, and 268) during the last two semesters of their approved Program of Study and within the last 12 units of graduate coursework. Earlier final student teaching and internships are not permitted in the Communicative Sciences and Deaf Studies Department.

Culminating Experience

A culminating experience is required of all California State University, Fresno students earning Master of Arts degrees. This requirement is accomplished by completing a thesis, project, or comprehensive written exam.

Certification by Council on Education of the Deaf and Education Specialist: DHH Credential

In addition to the requirements for the Master of Arts degree, students will have clinical experiences. CSDS 260 (3 units). 258 (6 units), 268 (6 units).

For students specializing in deaf education, completion of the master's degree fulfills all the academic and clinical practicum requirements for Provisional Certification by the Council on Education of the Deaf, the national organization responsible for certifying teachers of the deaf. Professional level certification is available following three years of successful teaching under the supervision of a professionally certified educator of deaf and hard-of-hearing children. All students are encouraged to acquire national certification.

- **Application Fee Change**

Bachelor's application fee changed from \$53 to \$55.

May 28, 2021

- **Special Majors**

Added: Military students or dependents utilizing benefits are not eligible for Special Majors. Please consult with the Veterans Resource Center for more information.

- **Human Nutritional Sciences, BS**

1. Major Requirements (50 units) and Additional Requirements (28 units)

Core Courses (28 units)

CULG 50; FSC 1; NUTR 53, 61, 153, 154, 160, 165, 166S, 170

Career Specialty Emphasis (22 units)

In consultation with assigned faculty advisor, each student is required to select one area of electives to match his or her career goals. Career specialties include the following:

- **Registered Dietitian Nutritionist:** COUN 174; FSM131, 133; NUTR 149, 156, 157, 175; additional courses approved by advisor.

Select 3 units of electives from: CULG 152; FSM 60, 134, FSM 193I; NUTR 147, 162T or courses approved by the Dietetics and Food Administration program coordinator.

- **Nutritional Science:** FSC 115; NUTR 162T (3 units), NUTR180 (3 units); PH 109, PH 135; PHYS 10; additional courses approved by advisor.

Select 3 units of electives from: CULG 55, 152; FSM 60, 131, 193I; NUTR 147, or courses approved by the Nutritional Science program coordinator.

Additional requirements (28 units)

CHEM 3A, 8, 150; BIOL 20; BIOL 67A/B; MATH 11; PSYCH 10

2. General Education requirements (49 units)

3. Other requirements (9 units)

American Government and Institutions (PLSI 2), Multicultural and International (MI), and Upper-division writing. Human Nutrition Sciences majors are exempt from the MI requirement.

4. Sufficient elective units to meet required total units (varies)

5. Total units (120)*

* This total indicates that 13 units for CHEM 3A [GE Area B1], MATH 11 [GE Area B4], NUTR 53 [GE Area E1], and PSYCH 10 [GE Area D2] are used to satisfy the General Education requirements. The writing requirement may be met by taking the upper-division writing exam. See advisor for details.

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- **General Education Requirements**

3. Beginning in fall 2021, courses in GE Area D shall be completed in at least two different disciplines among the nine units required in Area D1, D2, and ID.

June 28, 2021

- **Certificate in Asian Americans in Secondary Schooling**

With this certificate, future high school teachers gain understanding in the scholarship, principals, and pedagogical approaches to teaching the history, literature, arts, and culture of Asian American people.

Required courses: [ASAM 110](#), [ASAM 138](#), [ASAM 140](#); [LEE 103](#) or [CLAS 163](#)

Total (12 units)