# **Pre-audiology** at Clemson University

### Audiologists are health care professionals who specialize in diagnosing, treating and managing hearing and balance disorders.

They conduct hearing assessments, provide hearing aids and other assistive devices, offer rehabilitative therapies and educate patients and their families on managing hearing loss to improve overall communication and quality of life.

Students often choose audiology because it offers the opportunity to make a significant impact on individuals' quality of life by addressing hearing and balance disorders. The field combines a passion for science and health care with the rewarding experience of helping people improve their communication and overall well-being, making it an appealing choice for those interested in a career that merges clinical practice with personal fulfillment.

#### Applying to audiology programs

In addition to doing well academically, students should have a solid foundation in science and communication disorders, a genuine passion for helping individuals with hearing and balance issues, and excellent interpersonal skills and a commitment to patient care.

#### Gain experience

- Job shadow an audiologist.
- Seek opportunities for research experience.

#### Find out more

The American Academy of Audiology provides resources for students considering an audiologist career.

Visit audiology.org for more information.

# **Audiology career options**

- Private practice, medical clinics and hospitals
- Otolaryngologist-based practice
- Rehabilitation facilities
- Educators
- Hearing manufacturing industry
- Long-term care facilities
- Public health services
- Health maintenance organization
- Forensic audiology
- Industrial hearing conservation

# **Audiology programs**

- University of South Carolina
- South Carolina State University
- **East Carolina University**
- University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- **Auburn University**
- University of Texas at Austin
- University of Tennessee, Knoxville
- Vanderbilt University

# Plan your path

#### Core prerequisites checklist for many audiology programs:

- **Statistics**
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Social science
- **Anatomy**
- Normal language development



Additional courses may be required by select schools:

- **Physics**
- Speech and language courses

Prerequisites vary by school. Please refer to your preferred school's website for detailed requirement information.





# **HPA Planning Worksheet**

	FALL	SPRING	SUMMER
YEAR 1			
YEAR 2			
YEAR 3			
YEAR 4			
YEAR 5/GAP			



