

Speech Language Pathology Assistant

The Speech Language Pathology Assistant (SLPA) curriculum prepares individuals to assist a licensed Speech Language Pathologist in conducting therapy in articulation, fluency, receptive and expressive language, augmentative/alternative communication, and oral motor skills.

Coursework includes instruction in protocols designed to remediate individual speech and language disorders. Supervised fieldwork experience includes working with toddlers, preschool, and school-age children with communication difficulties.

The Speech Language Pathology Assistant program at Central Piedmont is offered in collaboration with Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute. Required general education courses can be completed as usual at any Central Piedmont campus. SLPA program-specific courses are offered on Central Campus via live participatory classes broadcast to Central Piedmont. During fieldwork experience, students can utilize their knowledge and refine skills while working under the supervision of a licensed Speech Language Pathologist.

Graduates of this program may be eligible for registration with the North Carolina Board of Examiners for Speech Language Pathologists and Audiologists. Employment opportunities, under the supervision of a licensed Speech Language Pathologist, include a wide range of settings in schools, private practice, and home health settings.

For specific information about potential positions and wages in speech language pathology employment, visit the Central Piedmont Career Coach website.

Degree Awarded

The Associate in Applied Science Degree-Speech Language Pathology Assistant is awarded by Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute.

Admissions Steps

Students participating in the SLPA program must enroll in both Central Piedmont and Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute. Both schools have online applications.

- a. Complete an application to Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute.
- b. Complete an application to Central Piedmont.

Program Accreditation

The Speech Language Pathology Assistant program at Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute is accredited by the North Carolina Board of Examiners for Speech Language Pathologists and Audiologists.

Contact Information

The Speech Language Pathology Assistant program is in the Health Sciences Division at Central Piedmont. Additional information is available on the following websites:

- Central Piedmont: Speech-Language Pathology Assistant
- Caldwell Community College: Speech-Language Pathology Assistant

For further assistance, email the Central Piedmont Health Programs Admissions Specialist at healthsciences@cpcc.edu

(healthsciences@cpcc.edu?subject=Question%20about%20SLPA%20Program) or call 704.330.6958. For more information about Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute (CCC&TI) SLPA program, please contact the following person for information.

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No diplomas are offered in Speech Language Pathology.

No certificates are offered in Speech Language Pathology.