



## DISCLOSURE REGARDING PROGRAM PREPARATION FOR PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE OR CERTIFICATION

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**COLLEGE****College of Liberal Arts****PROGRAM****Master of Science in Speech Pathology and Audiology**

The University of Louisiana at Lafayette is committed to providing clear and accurate information to current and prospective students to help inform career planning. The UL Lafayette program identified above prepares students to practice in a field with professional licensure or certification available. However, specific licensure and certification requirements can and often do vary by state. Requirements typically include earning a degree or other educational credential in the field from an institution and program that meet certain eligibility requirements in that state (e.g., curricular requirements, accredited status, approval by the state licensing board); passing a state or national exam; working in the field for a minimum period of time; and/or completing a certain number of clinical hours. If your career plans include pursuing professional licensure or certification in your chosen field, it is important to become educated on the credentialing requirements of the state in which you hope to practice.

### **UL Lafayette Program Preparation in the State of Louisiana**

Speech Language Pathologists must be licensed by the state in which they work. Most states also require certification from their State Department of Education to work in public education. Many employers require the Certificate of Clinical Competence awarded by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association.

Requirements set by the Louisiana Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology for **Speech Pathology** include:

- 400 clinical hours
- Passing Praxis or ASHA Certification
- 9 months full-time post-graduate professional employment experience

We advise you to review the Louisiana Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology requirements at <https://www.lbespa.org/index.cfm/license/apply>.

### **UL Lafayette Program Preparation in Other U.S. States**

We are currently unable to determine whether or not the above-named program meets the educational requirements for graduates to be eligible to apply for licensure or certification in any additional states.

If you have an interest in pursuing licensure or certification outside the state of Louisiana, we advise you to determine whether or not this program meets the educational requirements for graduates to be eligible to apply in that location. You are welcome to reach out to the UL Lafayette program contact identified below with questions in this regard, and we will do our best to assist you in your career planning.

**UL Lafayette Program Preparation Outside the United States**

This disclosure does not address program eligibility in countries outside the United States. We are unable to determine whether or not the above-named degree program meets the educational requirements for graduates to be eligible to apply for licensure or certification outside the United States. Again, it is important to become educated on the credentialing requirements in the location in which you hope to practice.

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*This communication addresses disclosures to prospective and current students as required by regulations set forth in 34 CFR 668.43(a)(5)(v) and 34 CFR 668.72(c)(2).*