



Speech-Language Pathology

ONE OF THE FASTEST GROWING HEALTHCARE JOBS IN MISSISSIPPI

According to the Bureau of Labor, projected job growth for speech-language pathologists in Mississippi will dramatically outpace the national average of 5% growth for all jobs over the next decade.

*** 21.3%**

10 year projected job growth in MS



Stellar reputation in healthcare

The W is home to one of five bachelor's programs and one of four master's programs for speech-language pathology in our state, and our reputation for healthcare education is rock solid.



Unmatched for personal education

Our students get the 1-on-1 mentoring and professional development needed to confidently network and engage with industry peers. Many students secure positions, the majority in Mississippi, before graduation.



Caring for Mississippians now

Our students are learning in the field alongside our expert faculty. They're working in local schools, in hospitals, on community initiatives, and more. Some patients travel from out of state to attend a student clinician-run program.



Industry innovators

Our students regularly present research developed with SLP faculty at state-level conferences, and faculty present at both state- and national-level industry conferences.

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Community initiatives

W student clinicians & graduates facilitate support groups for Parkinson's Disease, run summer camps, and collaborate with community partners.

Early intervention

SLP is a critical component of the early intervention toolkit. We begin training student clinicians in our own childhood development lab school.

Public & private schools

Many of our graduates go on to specialize in pediatric SLP, working in schools to support students, providing access they might not otherwise get outside of the school environment.

Hospitals & private practice

SLP clinicians serve as a vital part of care teams in settings like oncology, neurology, and more.

Rehabilitation facilities

For patients recovering from strokes, cancer, or brain damage, SLP is a critical part of recovery.

Nursing homes

Skilled nursing facilities have an increasing population dealing with complex conditions like dementia and communication disorders, which require speech-language clinicians.

The W combines hands-on learning with rigorous academic and clinical study to produce speech-language pathology professionals prepared to meet our state's growing needs.

For the 2024 academic year, our SLP program has placed student clinicians in at least 13 counties in Mississippi, plus surrounding states.



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