Internship Opportunities in SLHS

There are three different internship opportunities in the SLHS department. For all three, you must complete 45 hours at your internship for each credit you earn. This averages to 3 hours per week if you attend every week of the semester. Since this is unlikely (due to illness, school breaks, lag time in getting the internship set up, etc.), you should plan to be at your internship at least 4 hours per week for each credit you sign up for.

All three internships are optional and are considered upper division electives. In all of the internships an application must be completed and signed by the student, the instructor, the internship supervisor and the SLHS chair/associate chair BEFORE you can begin to count the hours.

I. Volunteer in the Community

Course number: SLHS 4938
Instructor: Allison Sedey
Timing: Can be done any semester after you have sophomore status
Cost: Included with regular tuition
Pay: Can be paid or unpaid (depending on what you arrange)
Credits: 1 to 6

Additional assignments: One midterm and one final essay, each 2 to 4 pages describing your experience. Two journal article/book chapter summaries per credit.

Arrangements: All arrangements for finding and setting up the internship are made by the student and approved by the instructor. A notebook of potential sites can be borrowed from the instructor.

Description: Approved internships involve gaining relevant (to our field) experience in working with individuals that we typically treat as speech pathologists and/or audiologists. This includes children, elderly individuals, and people of any age with disabilities. Relevant experiences include work such as hearing screening, tutoring, literacy instruction, English-as-a-Second-Language instruction, assisting individuals with disabilities in recreational or educational activities, etc.

II. Therapy/Diagnostic Experience in Conjunction with SLHS 4918

Course number: SLHS 4938
Instructor: Same instructor as for SLHS 4918 (Introduction to Clinical Practice)
**Timing:** Done only during the semester you are enrolled in SLHS 4918

**Cost:** Included with regular tuition

**Pay:** Unpaid

**Credits:** 1 to 3

**Additional assignments:** At the discretion of the instructor

**Arrangements:** All arrangements for finding and setting up the internship are made by the instructor.

**Description:** Internships involve working directly with a speech pathologist or audiologist in their typical work setting (e.g., schools, hospitals, private practice etc.). Conducting newborn hearing screening in hospitals also may be an option.

**III. Speech Language Assistant (SLP-A) Certificate Program**

**Course number:** SLHS 5038

**Instructor:** Lynea Pearson

**Timing:** In the Spring semester either during your senior year or after you graduate

**Cost:** This course is offered through continuing education and the cost in 2006-7 is approximately $200 per credit

**Pay:** Unpaid

**Credits:** 4 credits for the internship (12 hours per week at your internship site for a full semester) plus 3 credits for a mandatory course associated with the internship.

**Additional assignments:** None, however, this internship must be done in conjunction with an on-line course (SLHS 5032 – Competencies and Strategies for the SLP-A) that will include a variety of assignments.

**Arrangements:** All arrangements for finding and setting up the internship are made by the instructor.

**Description:** You will be placed in the schools and will work with a speech pathologist. Following completion of this internship, the associated on-line course, and your B.A. in SLHS you will receive a Professional SLP-A Certificate. This qualifies you to work as an SLP-A in Colorado. Most other states also accept this certification.