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**SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION FOR SPEECH-
LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ADMISSION
Graduate School**

Office of Graduate Studies

Attn: SLP Admissions

University of the Pacific

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<http://web.pacific.edu/x9613.xml>

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO THE MASTER OF SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY (SLP) PROGRAM

The attached supplemental forms are for admission to the Masters of Speech-Language Pathology (SLP) program. Pacific is participating in the Communication Sciences and Disorders Centralized Application Service (CSDCAS). CSDCAS is an information clearinghouse which transmits to a school the biographical and academic data required by admissions committees, thereby relieving the applicant of the burden of completing multiple and repetitious individual applications. Students applying to Pacific's SLP program must submit the application to CSDCAS and submit the supplemental application to Pacific.

Your CSDCAS application should include:

1. CSDCAS Web-based Application form (www.CSDCAS.org), comprised of biographical data, post secondary institutions attended, academic course history, work experience, extracurricular activities, and essays.
2. CSDCAS Application Fee.
3. Official transcripts from all U.S. postsecondary institutions attended.
4. Foreign Transcript Evaluation report for all courses taken at foreign institutions, which are not Study Abroad courses (if applicable).
5. TOEFL scores (if applicable).
6. Three recommendations: one must be from an academic instructor from a school you have attended. **Recommendations must be on CSDCAS forms.**

Your supplemental application to Pacific should include:

1. Supplemental application (www.pacific.edu/pharmacy/SLP) comprised of additional biographical data, prerequisite coursework, and work experience. Please neatly print/type your responses to all questions on the application form.
2. Pacific's Supplemental Application Fee (\$50.00). This non-refundable processing fee should be mailed with the supplemental application and is waived for students currently enrolled at the University of the Pacific. Make your check payable to the "University of the Pacific".
3. Official Graduate Record Examination (GRE) scores sent directly from the testing board to the Office of Graduate Studies at the University of the Pacific (Institution Code 4065).
4. Original foreign transcripts for undergraduate and graduate courses which are not study abroad courses. See "Special Instructions for International Students" for details.
5. International applicants: See "Special Instructions for International Students" for additional information which must be supplied.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

CSDCAS and supplemental applications are available online on October 1st. The deadline for both applications and all supplemental materials is **February 1, 2010**.

IMPORTANT!! All supporting documents for CSDCAS and the Pacific Supplemental Application must be received by Feb. 1 to be considered complete. Please note in order to meet the deadline, CSDCAS must receive all documents by 11:59 pm Eastern Standard Time (that's 8:59 pm Pacific time). Pacific must receive all documents by 11:59 pm Pacific Standard Time.

Applicants are reminded that transcripts and recommendations frequently take weeks or even months to obtain. Pacific regrets that we cannot extend the deadline for students whose documents are delayed due to backlog or mishandling by the recommenders or schools. Applications submitted after the deadline will not be reviewed. Please note the non-refundable \$50.00 application fee is a processing fee and does not guarantee the review of your application if your documents are received after the deadline.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Applicants who are applying for financial aid must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Many types of financial aid (particularly need-based aid, including grants, loans and work-study programs) are limited and are awarded on a first-come, first-served basis. Therefore, the sooner your FAFSA is *fully processed* and released to your school's financial aid administrators, the better your chances of receiving consideration for the maximum amount of financial aid for which you may be eligible.

HONOR CODE

Established in 1958, the Honor Code is intended to maintain and preserve the high standards of personal character and ethical behavior vital in academic pursuits. The success of the Honor Code is made possible only with the acceptance and cooperation of every student. We fully expect that every University student will join us in maintaining the principle and the tradition of the Code in all aspects of college life.

Applicants for admission to the University are asked to recognize the responsibilities of the Code and to accept its principles. Submitting an application to the University indicates that you agree to uphold the principles of the Code. For more information, please see Tiger Lore and the Speech-Language Pathology Clinical Handbook.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

International Students: If you are an international applicant, that is, neither a citizen nor a permanent resident of the United States, you must meet the regular speech-language pathology admission requirements of the Graduate School as well as the requirements listed below.

1. Certification of Finances: This should be an official bank letter verifying you have enough funding to cover the total cost of attendance for at least one year. A completed Certification of Finances form and all supporting documents must be submitted. It must be completely filled out. Your file is not complete and an admission decision will not be made without this information.
2. You must request an official transcript of academic work from each college or university you have attended as either an undergraduate or a graduate student and official verification of degree awarded. These must be submitted in an envelope sealed by the institution. Unofficial copies of academic records are not acceptable. True copies of academic records from other countries will be accepted only if, after the copies have been made, they have been personally signed, stamped, and sealed in an official envelope by a governmental or educational official who certifies that they are exact copies of original documents. A translation should accompany documents in languages other than English. Please note that no action will be taken on an application unless all academic records are certified or official. **Also, please note that an evaluation from a qualified evaluation services must be sent to the Graduate School (not to CSDCAS).**
3. Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) is required of all international applicants whose native language is not English. The TOEFL is not required of applicants who have received a bachelor's degree from a United States college or university.
4. Awards, scholastic honors, scholarship and other recognition should be listed in the CSDCAS application. **Do not** send originals or copies.
5. Please use your family name and your given name in all correspondence.

The University of the Pacific accepts applications from international students, including those residing outside of the United States.

STUDENTS WITH PREVIOUS STUDY OUTSIDE THE U.S.

Candidates who have completed postsecondary study outside of the United States (whether or not they are U.S. citizens or permanent residents) must send a foreign transcript evaluation to CSDCAS **and** original foreign transcripts to the University of the Pacific. See Point #2, "Special Instructions for International Students" for details regarding original foreign transcripts. At any time during the review process, University of the Pacific reserves the right to request original documents, course descriptions and any other information pertinent to verifying the accuracy of your educational background. Pacific reserves the right to reject an evaluation completed by ECE and to evaluate international documents in our office. Students will not pay an evaluation fee to Pacific if this situation occurs.

GRE AND TOEFL TESTS

Graduate Record Exam (GRE) and Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) tests are administered by the Educational Testing Services (ETS). For information bulletins, test preparation material, test dates, test places and applications, contact ETS directly. GRE, general: GRE/ETS, P.O. Box 6000, Princeton, NJ 08541-6000; 1-609-771-7670; www.gre.org
TOEFL: TOEFL/TSE Services, P.O. Box 6154, Princeton, NJ 08541-6154; 1-609-771-7100; www.toefl.org

NON-DISCRIMINATION

University of the Pacific does not discriminate in the administration of any of its educational programs, admissions, scholarships, loans, athletics or other University activities or programs on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin, handicap, sexual orientation or preference, sex or age. This notice is given pursuant to the requirements of Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1971, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and amendments and other laws, orders,

and regulations governing discrimination. University of the Pacific has designated the Director of Human Resources to coordinate the University's efforts to comply with laws, orders, and regulations governing discrimination. Any person having a complaint should contact, in writing, the Director of Human Resources, University of the Pacific, 3601 Pacific Avenue, Stockton, CA 95211.

SPECIAL NOTE

Please note that the Ethnic Origin question is entirely optional. Your response or failure to respond is **NOT** a factor in the admission process. The University will use the information obtained through this question only for the compilation of statistics for the U.S. Department of Education and similar agencies or for its own statistical, demographic profile of the student body. If you chose not to answer, please check that option.

Be sure to check the box at the end of the application to certify that all the information you have given is complete and accurate.

All applications become the property of the University of the Pacific and will not be returned or forwarded to another institution. Only the Dean of the Graduate School or the Graduate Recruitment and Admissions Director has the authority to admit or deny admission. Statements about admission, either expressed or implied (verbal or written) from any other sources, are not official and will not be honored.

QUESTIONS

If you have any questions regarding the application process or about other aspects of graduate study at Pacific, please contact the Graduate School at (209) 946-2765 or (209) 946-7639, email gradschool@pacific.edu or refer to www.pacific.edu/graduate.

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SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION FOR MASTER OF SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ADMISSION

CSDCAS ID Number (required) _____ Are you applying as an international student? ___Yes ___No

This application is for fall semester _____ (year)

I. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full Legal Name _____
Last (Family) First Middle

List other name(s) that may appear on academic records _____

Social Security # _____ Male () Female () Date of Birth _____
(month/day/year)

(Please indicate your student ID# if you are a past or present University of the Pacific student or employee)

Pacific Student I.D. # _____ E-Mail Address _____

All correspondence will be sent to your mailing address.

Permanent address _____
Number and Street (ASLP. #)

City State/Country Zip/Postal Code Telephone _____
(include Area Code)

Mailing Address (until ____/____/____) _____
(month/day/year) Number and Street (ASLP. #)

City State/Country Zip/Postal Code Telephone (Home) _____
(Work) _____

Please designate a person to be notified in case of emergency: (Cell) _____

Name _____ Relationship _____ Telephone _____

If you have previously sought admission to the University of the Pacific, indicate the semester, program, and degree or credential for which you applied _____

Please list any other family members who have attended the University of the Pacific (name, relationship, and dates of attendance):

Ethnic Origin () African-American () Caucasian/White
(Optional) () Asian-American (country of family's origin) _____ () Pacific Islander
() Asian (Indian Subcontinent) (country) _____ () Asian (not American)
() American-Indian/AK Native (tribal affil.) _____ () Filipino
() Hispanic, Latino (country) _____ () Mexican-American, Chicano
() Multi-racial (specify) _____ () Choose Not to Answer
() Other (specify) _____

Permanent residents – applicants that have permanent resident status should send a copy of their alien registration card to the Office of Admissions. Certification of Finances form is not required.

Standardized Tests: Indicate if you have taken or plan to take any of the following tests, indicate the month and year:

GRE (General) _____ International Students Only) TOEFL _____

Date you requested scores to be sent to the University of the Pacific _____

Please give the names and phone numbers of three people whom you have asked to write letters of recommendation in support of this application.

Name	Title/Duties	Email Address	Phone Number
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Where/how did you hear about the University of the Pacific? (Check all that apply.)

Current Student Graduate and Professional Day Where? _____

Alumni Professional Meeting Where? _____

Peterson's Guide College/Career Counselor _____

Peterson's Website Other (Please specify) _____

University of the Pacific website

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Course Worksheet for the Masters of Speech-Language Pathology Program

Name _____ Pacific ID (if known) or Date of Birth: _____

Certification Courses

1. Include every time that a course was taken, even if the grade was less than a "C" or the course was retaken and the original grade was replaced.
2. All courses must be completed with a grade of "C" or higher. Courses are to be taken on a graded basis; pass/fail courses are not acceptable.
3. Correspondence, on-line or extension coursework is not acceptable without approval from the program director or department chair.
4. Science courses must be taken within the last ten years, and should be those designed for science majors and pre-health professional students.
5. It is recommended that you make a photocopy of the supplemental application including this worksheet for your own reference.
6. These courses are not required for admission.

Biological Sciences

3 semester /4 quarter credits minimum (general biology, human anatomy and physiology)

Course		No. of Credits		Grade	Date	Date	Institution
Dept & No.	Title	Sem.	Qtr.		Completed	To be Completed	

Physical Sciences

3 semester /4 quarter credits minimum (college-level physical science course; typically introductory chemistry or physics)

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Child Development

3 semester /4 quarter credits minimum (human development will also count)

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Psychology OR Sociology:

3 semester /4 quarter credits minimum (introductory courses or survey courses)

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Mathematics

3 semester /4 quarter credits minimum (college-level mathematics course; typically statistics)

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OBSERVATIONS:

Minimum of 25 verified observation hours in SLP

Location:	Date:	# of verified hours

By submitting this application, I certify that the information given in this application is complete and accurate and that I have not received academic units from any institutions other than those listed. Furthermore, I have included all attempted coursework on the Worksheet, even if the grade received was below a "C" or the course was retaken and the original grade was replaced. I understand that making false and fraudulent statements within this application could result in denial or revocation of admission, disciplinary action, and invalidation of units or degrees earned. Should there be any change in the substance of the information I have given here, I will immediately notify the Graduate School of the University of the Pacific.

() I have read the above paragraph and certify that it is true. (Check the box)

Name of applicant _____

Date _____

Frequently Asked Questions

General Questions about Speech-Language Pathology

1. *My GPA is low but I really want to be a speech-language pathologist. What do you recommend?*
Several things: Try to do well on your GREs. Call different SLP programs and, in addition to getting information about the GPA cut-offs, ask if exceptions are ever made to allow a student with a GPA lower than the cut-off to be admitted to the program.
2. *Do you offer Teaching Assistantships or Graduate Assistantships?*
Not at the present time. If you are completing a thesis there are stipends available.

General Questions about the University of the Pacific's SLP Program

1. *How can I learn more about the program?*
Access <http://web.pacific.edu/x9613.xml> to learn about the program.
2. *What degree is offered after completion of the program?*
A Master of Science degree in SLP.
3. *How long is the program?*
The program is 15 months long for individuals who have an undergraduate degree in Communicative Disorders or Speech-Language Pathology. For those individuals that have degrees outside of SLP the program is 24 months in length.
4. *How much does it cost to attend Pacific's SLP program?*
See the last page of supplemental application for approximate costs.
5. *How many students apply and how many do you accept?*
During the 2008/9 academic year, 122 individuals applied to the SLP program at the University of the Pacific. Of these applications, 79 were for the 15 month program and 21 were accepted. For our 24 month program 43 individuals applied and 9 were accepted. Our graduate level class size is typically 25 - 30 students.
6. *Is it possible for me to come and see the campus and talk with an advisor?*
You may make an appointment to attend an informational meeting and tour the SLP Department by emailing our Administrative Assistant, Kristen Hernandez at: ksasaki@pacific.edu.
7. *Do you offer admission in the Spring semester?*
No, our program is very prescriptive and we only admit students to begin the program in the Fall.
8. *What prerequisite courses are necessary?*

The following courses **are not** prerequisites but need to be completed before you graduate (these are often part of your general education requirements):

- A Child Development course
- A Psychology OR Sociology course
- A Biology course
- An Upper Division Mathematics course (Typically Statistics)
- A Physical Science course (Chemistry or Physics)

University of the Pacific Admission Questions

1. How do I apply to the SLP program?

You must apply through the Communication Sciences and Disorders Centralized Application Service (www.CSDCAS.org). In addition, you must submit a supplemental application directly to the Office of Admissions at the University of the Pacific. You must also request that GRE scores be sent directly to the Office of Admissions at the University of the Pacific. All application materials are due by **February 1** in the year of entry into the program. See our webpage for details.

2. What are the admissions guides?

A minimum GPA of 3.0 (on your last 60 semester units) and official scores from the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) are required and must be received by the **February 1** due date. It takes four to six weeks to receive the official scores so please plan accordingly. The Graduate Admissions Committee looks for a combined score of 1000 on the Verbal and Quantitative portion of the GRE, with a minimum of 450 on the Verbal portion, and a score of 4.5 on the Written portion. Positive letters of recommendation are extremely important as well as a well written statement of interest and intent.

The accepted students last year had an average GPA of 3.73, and average GRE (V & Q) of 1040 and a written score of 4.4.

4. Can online courses satisfy the undergraduate course requirements?

Online courses need to be approved by the Admissions Committee. Email a request for approval to SLPAdmissions@pacific.edu. Generally, courses which are taken for credit at accredited colleges or universities are acceptable as long as the applicant has received a grade of C or better. Once the course is completed, applicants will need to obtain official transcripts verifying that this course has been taken. Courses offered by companies providing continuing education are not acceptable.

5. When should I take the GRE exam?

We recommend that the GRE be taken by Sept. 1st by applicants wishing to meet the Feb. 1st deadline.

6. My GRE exam score is low so I am going to take it again. How do you assess multiple GRE exam scores?

We use the highest GRE subsection scores.

7. I have a graduate degree. When I calculate my overall GPA, should I include my graduate course grades?

Yes. Your overall GPA should include all post baccalaureate coursework.

8. I have taken courses on a semester system and on a quarter system. How do I convert from semester credits to quarter credits so that I might calculate my GPA?

A 3-semester unit course is the equivalent of a 4.5 quarter unit course.

- To convert from quarter to semester units, multiply quarter units by .67
- To convert from semester to quarter units, multiply semester units by 1.5

9. How do I apply?

Two applications must be completed online, and both will be available on October 1, 2009. **Both applications and all supplemental materials (including GRE scores) are due February 1, 2010.** The Communication Sciences and Disorders Centralized Application Service (CSDCAS) application may be completed by accessing www.CSDCAS.org. The University of the Pacific Supplemental Application for SLP Admission may be completed by accessing <http://web.pacific.edu/x31740.xml>. GRE scores must be sent to the Office of Graduate Studies at the University of the Pacific.

Master of Science in Speech-Language Pathology

COST INFORMATION FOR THE 2009-2011 ACADEMIC YEARS

(Costs are based on estimates and are subject to change)

Costs for the 15-Month Program

Cost of tuition and course fees for 2009-2011

<u>Semester</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Fall 2009	\$15,865.00
Spring 2010	\$15,865.00
Summer 2010	\$6,864.00
Fall 2010	\$9,281.00
TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES	\$47,875.00

Costs for the 24-Month Program

Cost of tuition and course fees for 2009-2011

<u>Semester</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Fall 2009	\$15,865.00
Spring 2010	\$15,865.00
Summer 2010	\$6,864.00
Fall 2010	\$16,500.00
Spring 2011	\$16,500.00
Summer 2011	\$4,942.00
TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES	\$76,536.00
