



SPEECH LANGUAGE- PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT

*Fall 2025
Application*

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INTRODUCTION

Thank you for your interest in our Speech-Language Pathology Assistant (SLPA) program! We are excited to support you on your journey toward a rewarding career in helping individuals improve their communication skills. Our program is designed to provide you with the knowledge and practical experience needed to make a meaningful impact in the lives of others.

Disclosure of information to practicum sites

In compliance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), Chemeketa College releases very limited student information. However, students in the Speech-Language Pathology Assistant (SLPA) Program, including those with a Request for Non-Disclosure of Student Information, should be aware that practicum placement sites require access to specific information: CPR certification (if applicable), immunization status, and criminal background checks. This is necessary for student and patient safety.

All SLPA students must pass a criminal background check for program admission and clinical placement. Students who fail the background check will not be admitted. If a student is arrested during the program, they must notify the SLPA Program Chair immediately. The SLPA faculty will review the situation, and continuation in the program may not be permitted.

Every effort is made to protect confidential student information and limit access to those with a need to know. For details on the Non-Disclosure of Student Information, please contact the Registrar's Office. at 503.399.2511.

IMPORTANT: To be considered an applicant for the SLPA Program, you must submit a complete application packet that includes all the items listed on the application checklist. Once your packet is submitted, no additional documents can be added. Please note that it is the applicant's responsibility to ensure all required materials are included before submission. Thank you for your attention to these details!

Application packets are accepted one time per year.

Application due dates: January 1, 2025 through August 1, 2025.

All application materials must be received by 11:59pm on August 1st, 2025.

Notification of your Status in the Fall 2025 Cohort

The SLPA Program will send an email notification that your application has been received. Applications are not reviewed/scored until after the due date. Notification of acceptance status will be sent to students **electronically** via email to their **Chemeketa student email address**.

It is required that you use your Chemeketa email address for correspondence with college faculty and personnel. Using a Chemeketa e-mail address reduces the risk of SPAM or mail being directed incorrectly. The SLPA Program will require the use of a Chemeketa email address for all students admitted into the SLPA Program.

If you have any questions, please contact the department office at yamhillcte@chemeketa.edu

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Please do not email to check on your application status before the deadline. The SLPA Program will send an electronic notification that your application has been received, but we will not discuss the components of your application. Notification of your status in the program is typically sent out near or on the notification deadline of **August 19**.

Submit all application materials via email/fax to:

Fax- 503.584.7546 or scan: yamhillcte@chemeketa.edu

For disability related questions or accommodation, please contact Student Accessibility Services at 503.399.5192 (TTY/voice) or studentaccess@chemeketa.edu.

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SLPA PROGRAM APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS/CHECKLIST

Required Action Items prior to applying to the SLPA program.

- Apply to become a Chemeketa Student/admission application — available at go.chemeketa.edu/apply (If you are already a student at Chemeketa, you do not need to submit an admission application)

- Complete a transfer evaluation- **This process can take up to 10 weeks to complete once all forms are received.** This is of utmost importance to have done when you submit your SLPA application to ensure correct scoring.
 - Send official transcripts of courses completed from other colleges and/or universities.
 - Complete and submit the “Request for Evaluation and Transfer of Previous Credits” to the email address on top of this form: **Request for Evaluation and Transfer of Previous Credits form.**
 - Please contact evaluation@chemeketa.edu to ensure all your documents have been received.

Application checklist (Required documents- submitted as one complete packet)

- Completed SLPA application (page 5)
- Applicant Statements/Signatures (page 6 & 7)
- Completed writing sample (page 8)
- Education/ Volunteer and/or Work History (page 9)
- Practicum Projection (page 10)
- Proof of Writing Competency- transfer evaluation showing completion of WR 121 or higher
- Provide a professional Resume.
- Provide copies of Unofficial transcripts

Optional Application Documents (not required, just opportunity to score more points)

- Two letters of recommendation (from professional settings/sources only such as work or volunteer opportunities for which you have worked/volunteered.). Please submit with your application packet.

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SLPA PROGRAM APPLICATION

Student ID (K#) _____ Date _____

Name _____
Last First Middle

Address _____
Street City State Zip

Phone Number _____

Email _____@my.chemeketa.edu

*Contact the HELP DESK 503.399.7899 for assistance with email or K#

Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree in Speech-Language Pathology Assistant

You are most likely an applicant pursuing an AAS from Chemeketa if you meet the following criteria —

- All students residing in California, Oregon and Washington must pursue the AAS option, other state’s licensing requirements also require an AA degree. Please contact the department for specific questions related to other states.
- Prior credits from previous degrees and attendance at a college/university will be evaluated against the general education requirements for the AAS degree in Speech Language Pathology Assisting.

Signature

Date

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APPLICANT ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

I have read and understand the statements on the application specifically about (a) disclosure of student information to practicum sites (b) criminal background check and (c) completion of all coursework prior to continuation in the SLPA program coursework and practicum placement with a grade of “C” or better.

Signature

Date

Practicum

I understand that the Speech-Language Pathology Assistant Program at Chemeketa Community College does not guarantee practicum placement opportunities. I understand that as a student, I will be responsible for setting up relationships with community SLP’s, School Districts etc., in conjunction with the SLPA program faculty guidance and completion of the volunteer requirements.

Signature

Date

Writing Sample

I certify that the writing sample contained in this application for the SLPA program was written by me, using my own words and thoughts. I did not use a tutor, or any other means of support to complete the writing sample.

Signature

Date

Criminal Background Check

I understand that I will be required to complete a criminal background check at my own expense (cost starts at \$45 and goes up depending on how many states you have lived in/multiple last names etc) as a requirement of entry into the SLPA Program. I will be conditionally accepted upon successful completion of the criminal background check. I understand that failure to complete or pass a criminal background check is grounds for dismissal from the SLPA Program.

Signature

Date

APPLICANT ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS ...CONTINUED

Observational Learning Opportunities

The SLPA Program requires students to engage in observational learning throughout the program coursework. As a result, students in the SLPA Program are required to have access to in-person observational and interactive opportunities with children, adolescents, and adults.

Signature _____ Date _____

Technology Statement

The SLPA Program is a distance-learning program which utilizes various instruction methods including online learning involving enriched audio and video presentations and resources. For this reason, students in this program must have reliable, consistent access to a computer, which can play these types of sites.

Specifically, students need to have or know how to do the following—

- Access to reliable internet connection
- Use the internet including searching for information, reading information online, using a web browser.
- Use email and know how to make an attachment, open and save an attachment.
- Use Word processing software (Microsoft Word). Including various functions of cut/paste, modify text, insert symbols, change font, text size, formatting.
- Create various materials using a combination of software (Microsoft Publisher, PowerPoint, and Word)
- Have access to a video camera and be able to upload a video sample to the internet (YouTube)

The SLPA Program is designed to build on your existing skills and knowledge, including a strong foundation in technology. To make the most of your experience, we encourage students to enter the program with a practiced, working knowledge of technical tasks. While faculty focus on delivering specialized program content, students are expected to come prepared with the necessary technology skills.

Signature _____ Date _____

WRITING SAMPLE

Directions

1. Please answer the following prompt in 300-500 words: Describe a significant life experience you have had, and what you learned from that experience.

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PRIOR EDUCATION AND VOLUNTEER/WORK HISTORY

Please list your prior education degrees earned (if applicable).

Degree Earned	Institution/College	Date Awarded

Please describe any volunteer or work experiences you've had that involve observational learning and interaction with children, adolescents, or adults—such as working in school classrooms, preschools, Head Start programs, or similar settings. If you don't currently have opportunities like this, we strongly encourage you to seek volunteer roles in your community, such as with local school districts, ESDs, or other organizations. You can also explore resources closer to home, like interactions with neighbors, family members, or individuals in your church or workplace. Gaining these experiences is essential to mastering the program's learning objectives and successfully completing the SLPA Program.

Work/Volunteer Site	Length of Service (e.g., 3 months, 1 year)	Summary of responsibilities and experiences

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PRACTICUM PROJECTION

The coursework includes two terms of practicum to meet the 100 hours of clinical interaction required for program completion and licensure. Faculty will work with students to help identify potential practicum sites; however, placements cannot be guaranteed. If students have already identified a potential practicum site, it is helpful to share this information. Please complete the following details so faculty can determine whether a practicum opportunity is already in place or if additional assistance is needed to secure a site.

Yes. I already have made potential arrangements for a practicum.

SLP supervisor name: _____
SLP email: _____
District/Site Name: _____
District/Site Contact (email/phone): _____

No, I do not have a practicum placement identified yet

Name of nearby school districts: _____

Name of other potential practicum sites (clinic, private practice SLP): _____

Have you contacted any SLP or district personnel? Please elaborate: _____

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SCORE SHEET RUBRIC

Residency	Oregon Resident (5 points)	Out of State/International (0 points)	Total (5) *
Residency - Subject to Verification			
Primary General Education Courses	A- to A+ (10 points)	B- to B+ or C- to C+ (5 points)	Total (30) *
WR 121Z (or higher) 4 CR (REQUIRED)			
COMM 100Z (or higher) 4 CR			
PSY 101 (or higher) 4 CR			
Secondary General Education Courses	Course passed with a C or better. (5 points each)		Total (45) *
MTH070 or higher – 4 CR			
Arts & Letters Electives – 4 CR			
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PE or Health Electives – 3 CR			
CA 100 or CIS 101 – 3 CR			
Social Science Electives--4 CR			
Social Science Electives--4 CR			
Science/Applied Science Electives- 4CR			
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Essay Question Answer Complete (syntax, grammar, organization, vocabulary)	Complete (5 points)	Incomplete (0 points)	Total (5)
Volunteer/Work Experience Since Jan 1, 2020	Education or Healthcare or Childcare (5 points)		Total (5)
2 Professional letters of Recommendation from work or volunteer sources (optional)	(2.5 points each)		Total (5)
Letter #1			
Letter #2			
Alternate Status (from 2024 cohort)	(5 points)		Total (5)
Application Score Total			/100