Baylor University
Graduate Program Evaluation

You are within a few weeks of graduating from Baylor University with your Masters of Science in Communication Sciences and Disorders. This evaluation is intended to assess the overall graduate program. The overall graduate program includes your academic experiences, clinical experiences, and clinical externship.

(Total Number of Participants: n=13)

Communication

1. The Baylor CSD Academic and Clinical Faculty explained material clearly

2. The Baylor CSD Academic and Clinical Faculty had effective styles of presentation
**Attitude Toward Students**

3. The Baylor CSD Academic and Clinical Faculty treated Graduate Students with respect.

4. The Baylor CSD Academic and Clinical Faculty had an open-door policy and were accessible and sensitive to different needs, learning styles, and diversity.

5. The Baylor CSD Academic and Clinical Faculty were concerned that Graduate Students learned the academic and clinical material.
6. The Baylor CSD Academic and Clinical Faculty appeared interested in their areas of expertise

7. The Baylor CSD Academic and Clinical Faculty stimulated my interest in their areas of expertise

8. The Baylor CSD Academic and Clinical Faculty stimulated my thinking
**Preparation and Organization**

9. The Baylor CSD Academic and Clinical Faculty made effective use of time

![Bar Chart](image1)

10. The Baylor CSD Academic and Clinical Faculty were well prepared and organized

![Bar Chart](image2)

**Policy and Evaluation**

11. The academic and clinical requirements were clearly explained during the program

![Bar Chart](image3)
12. The exams, projects, and clinical evaluations were a good measure of my knowledge and skills

13. Preparing for Comps (the summative assessment), assisted me in integrating all the knowledge and skills obtained in the program

**Academic and Clinical Material and Equipment**

14. The Graduate Program provided good academic and clinical materials /equipment
15. The Graduate Program provided a hands-on approach, where I had good experiences with new technology in the field.

![Bar chart for 15.](image1)

**Overall Assessment**

16. I learned a great deal from this Graduate Program

![Bar chart for 16.](image2)

17. The overall procedures and methods used by this Graduate Program were conductive to learning

![Bar chart for 17.](image3)
18. At the time of graduation, I feel that I am well prepared for entry level into the field.

19. At the end of my clinical externship, my extern supervisor indicated that I was well prepared for entry level into the field.

20. At the time of graduation, I would rate the overall Baylor CSD Graduate Program as
Self Assessment of Knowledge, Skills, and Learning Outcome Achievement

ASHA indicates that at the time of Graduation, you should be (at the least) prepared for entry level for the field in each of 9 areas. For each area, please indicate whether you feel: 1. Very Well Prepared, 2. Prepared at an Entry Level for the Field, or 3. Not Prepared

At the completion of my academic training, clinical training, and externship, I now feel that I am . . .

![Articulation Chart]

![Fluency Disorders Chart]
Hearing and the Impact on Speech/Language

Cognitive Aspects of Communication

Social Aspects of Communication (Challenging behavior, ineffective social...
Communication Modalities

- Very Well Prepared
- Prepared at an Entry Level for the Field
- Not Prepared

0 5 10
The Graduate Program at Baylor University has identified 8 major Learning Outcomes to be completed by the end of the program.

Circle the phrase that best describes if you feel you have achieved each Learning Outcome.

**Assessment / Evaluation**

**Learning Outcome 1**
Student will demonstrate the ability to select and implement evaluation procedures (case history information, standardized tests, non-standardized tests, screening procedures, and/or behavioral observations) and adapts the procedures to meet the individual client needs.

I feel that I have achieved Learning Outcome 1.

![Learning Outcome 1 chart]

**Assessment / Diagnosis / Interpretation**

**Learning Outcome 2**
Student will demonstrate the ability to interpret and integrate evaluation results (case history information, standardized test results, non-standardized test results, screening results, and/or behavioral observations) to define the clients’ communicative functioning. Student develops diagnostic impressions, integrates data in order to identify etiologic and/or contributing factors, and makes recommendations leading to appropriate case management.

I feel that I have achieved Learning Outcome 2.

![Learning Outcome 2 chart]
Clinical Management / Treatment

Learning Outcome 3
Student will demonstrate the ability to select/develop and implement intervention strategies for the treatment of communication and related disorders and select/develop/use materials and instrumentation that will enhance the treatment process.

I feel that I have achieved Learning Outcome 3.

Learning Outcome 4
Student will develop and implement specific, reasonable, and necessary treatment plans. The treatment plan includes long-term goals and measurable short-term objectives that reflect a learning sequence appropriate for the client.

I feel that I have achieved Learning Outcome 4.
Learning Outcome 5
Student will demonstrate the ability to plan and implement a program of periodic monitoring of the clients’ communicative functioning through the use of appropriate data collection methods. The student interprets and uses data to modify treatment plans, strategies, materials, and/or instrumentation to meet the individual needs of the client.

I feel that I have achieved Learning Outcome 5.

Learning Outcome 6
Student will demonstrate the ability to prioritize activities, maintain client records and comply with program administrative and other regulatory policies in a timely manner.

I feel that I have achieved Learning Outcome 6.

Interaction with Others / Communication Skills

Learning Outcome 7
Student will demonstrate the ability to present information accurately, clearly, logically and concisely in oral communications, written reports, and letters that are appropriate for the needs of the audience. Student uses terminology and phrasing consistent with the semantic competency of the audience and includes accurate and complete information, listens carefully to clients and others, takes initiative in providing appropriate clarifications when needed and demonstrates appropriate nonverbal communication style. The student demonstrates the ability to listen to input from others, make appropriate decisions based on shared information, and contributes information that promotes mutual problem solving. The student provides counseling and
supportive guidance regarding the clients’ communication disorder to client, family, caregivers, and significant others.

I feel that I have achieved Learning Outcome 7.

Learning Outcome 8

The student will demonstrate the ability to plan and implement educational programs for other professionals and/or the general public to facilitate the treatment and acceptance of disabilities associated with communication disorders. The student demonstrates the ability to consider the needs of the audience and provide clear and meaningful educational information.

I feel that I have achieved Learning Outcome 8.

Compared to new graduates from other programs, I would rate the knowledge, skills, and learning outcomes in Speech Pathology that I have obtained as a Graduate Student at Baylor as
Survey Results
Open Ended Questions

Question 1. Now that you are graduating, how do you feel that the Academic Experiences, Clinical Experiences, and Externship (i.e. the overall Graduate Program) prepared you for entry into the field?

1. I feel like the coursework prepared me well for entry into the field
2. Overall, preparation was good
3. I feel that all experiences w/ Baylor have prepared me well for my future in the field.
4. Very well!
5. It was great!
6. I feel very prepared for everything. After seeing other graduates in other programs at the same level, I feel Baylor graduates come out of their programs with more variety and preparation.

Question 2. What do you think are the greatest strengths of the overall Graduate Program?

1. Good professors, small program
2. Caring faculty, good coursework that was challenging and well rounded, good supervision, full-time externship with lots of placement options
3. I think the greatest strength are the professors and their dedication to the students and the field.
4. Preparation in all areas and supportive staff
5. Quick program – great faculty – organized program
6. Clinical experiences, guidance, preparation for “real world”
7. Language and Literacy

Question 3. What do you think can be done to improve the overall Graduate Program, the training, the experiences, or the facilities?

1. More training in the medical side of speech path
2. The shorter length of the program is nice, however, clinical experiences in more locations would be nice to provide more well-rounded experience
3. New building!
4. Offer cleft palate class – offer medical terminology class – class on genetics, syndromes
5. Implement more preparation in the areas of schools and cleft palate training.
6. Add more adult electives, have different diagnostic experiences at Baylor

Question 4. What would you tell an undergraduate student who is interested in Baylor’s program and asked you to tell them about the strengths and/or weakness of Baylor’s Graduate Program? Would you be willing to share this statement with potential Graduate Students?

1. I would tell them that Baylor has great professors and prepares you well for the field.
2. Baylor is a great school w/ people who truly care about your education and well-being. Yes.
3. Everything mentioned above I will share this info w/ any prospective SLP grad student.
4. Great faculty – great classes
5. I would highly recommend the Baylor program to undergraduate students.
6. Students and faculty care, not many electives to choose from. More oriented to children.