University of Wisconsin—Eau Claire Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences Online Graduate Program

# **Credentialing and Licensure Information**

A variety of possibilities and opportunities exist related to professional credentialing and licensure for speech-language pathologists.

# Master's Degree in Speech-Language Pathology (SLP)

The culminating degree following successful completion of all coursework and clinical requirements is the Master of Science degree in speech-language pathology. This degree is a required element for specific licensures and certifications in the profession.

### **ASHA** Certification

The MS degree prepares graduates for the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association's Clinical Fellowship year (ASHA-CFY). Following successful completion of the CFY and the ASHA-designated application, the Certificate of Clinical Competence in speech-language pathology (CCC-SLP) can be obtained.

## Wisconsin Department of Safety and Public Service License (DSPS)

The ASHA CCC-SLP is required to hold a permanent state license. However, the temporary WI state license for speech-language pathology is held while completing the clinical fellowship year, working towards CCC-SLP and the DSPS license. Individuals completing the UWEC online graduate program in SLHS will have met the requirements for and be eligible for the Wisconsin state license.

# Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction State Educator License (DPI)

Two onsite visits from a UWEC liaison supervisor during the student teaching experience are required to be eligible for Wisconsin DPI educator license. This liaison supervision will not be a standard component of the online graduate program in SLP. For more information related to this issue, contact the Director of Clinical Education.

### Speech-Language License in States Other than Wisconsin

If specific coursework is required, or if specific categories for and numbers of clinical clock hours are required, this will be incorporated into the graduate student's program. The program coordinators will work closely with each graduate student to satisfy the specific requirements for states other than Wisconsin. Consult the <u>ASHA website</u> for specific details on any state licensure requirements.