University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Communication Sciences and Disorders Online Graduate Program

Program Residency Requirements

Required for All Students

This online graduate program has been accredited by the Council of Academic Accreditation (CAA) for ASHA standards contingent on fulfilment of three residency periods that include specific delivery of information and demonstration of competencies. Full participation in these residency periods as directed by the program allows for the master's degree to be earned in the manner that CAA and ASHA expect. UW-Eau Claire's CSD grad program must adhere to this expectation. Not doing so may result in loss of accreditation and individual student loss of ASHA certification recommendation.



First-Year Residency

All graduate students must be on campus at UW-Eau Claire for the first full week of June of the first year (the full week of June that is before the start of the 8-week summer session). Students are advised to arrive Sunday evening.

This required residency week commences on Monday morning at 9:00 AM. Four full days of activity including coursework and demonstration of clinical competencies, as well as evening team building, social events, and clinical and academic advising will fill the week. The agenda will close by lunch time on Friday of the stated week (1:00 PM CST).

2 Second-Year Residency

All graduate students must be on campus at UW-Eau Claire for the last full week of scheduled 8-week University summer session (typically the first week of August). Students are advised to arrive Sunday evening.

This required residency week commences on Monday morning at 9:00 AM. Four full days of activity including coursework and demonstration of clinical competencies, completion of the Pre-Praxis objective examination (for fluency, phono, and audiology areas), as well as evening team building, social events, and clinical and academic advising will fill the week. The agenda will close by lunch time on Friday of the stated week (1:00 PM CST).

B Third-Year Residency—Final Capstone

All graduate students must be on campus at UW—Eau Claire for the last full week of scheduled 8-week University summer session (typically the first week of August). Students are advised to arrive Sunday evening.

This required residency week commences on Monday morning at 9:00 AM. Three full days of activity including presentation clinical competencies, portfolio work, job search information, and more is planned for this time. The agenda will close by mid-afternoon on Wednesday of the stated week.

Additional Residency Requirements

Residency for Knowledge Competencies Remediation

Any student in need of remediation for academic requirements that cannot be met via distance education methods may be required to come to campus for brief or extended periods of time for remediation of knowledge presented through specific coursework. Specifically, students receiving less than a "B" grade in any specific course may be required to spend time on campus to be part of a face-to-face course or independent study to remediate that course knowledge.

Residency for Skills Competencies Remediation

Any student in need of remediation for clinical requirements that cannot be met via distance education methods may be required to come to campus for brief or extended periods of time for remediation. Specifically, students receiving less than a "B" grade in any specific clinical experience may be required to participate in on-campus experience(s) to remediate those skills.

Travel, Housing, and More

Students are responsible for securing and financing his/her own travel for required residency periods. Always plan to arrive on Sunday evening and do not plan to depart prior to Friday afternoon of each week of residency.

The program will work with students to secure housing options for the week on campus. Inexpensive on-campus opportunities may be available to students.

The residency week's agendas will be full. For students choosing on-campus housing, a rental car is not needed as all planned activity will happen on campus. Students choosing off-campus housing (e.g., a local hotel), transportation to and from campus will be necessary.