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Communicative Disorders & Sciences
Practicum in Speech Pathology, EDSP 177-, Spring, 2016

Course and Contact Information

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Prerequisites:	EDSP 112, EDSP 120 and EDSP 125 or instructor consent.

MYSJSU Messaging and Electronic Files

You are responsible for regularly checking with the messaging system through [MySJSU](http://my.sjsu.edu) at <http://my.sjsu.edu> for clinic and course correspondence. We will be using the clinic's secure file sharing system, [Egnyte](https://mmccollum.egnyte.com), which can be accessed at <https://mmccollum.egnyte.com>. You will be provided a log in and password by the clinic director. Egnyte will be used to share Protected Health Information (PHI). We will also share non-PHI files through Google Drive.

Course Description

This course provides supervised clinical experience with children and adults who have speech and language disorders whom are clients of the Kay Armstead Center for Communicative Disorders (KACCD). It is intended to develop beginning clinical and professional skills including: developing goals and objectives, preparing lesson plans, developing and implementing therapy activities, collecting and analyzing data, completing documentation, conducting client conferences, writing reports with recommendations, maintaining professionalism and ethics, and participating in group discussions and peer feedback to further knowledge and skills.

Learning Outcomes

Course Learning Outcomes (CLO)

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Maintain professionalism in spoken and written communications, collaboration, counseling, conduct, appearance, and demeanor (KACCD Clinic Handbook, 2014 ASHA Standard for Certification V-B) and adhere to the ASHA Code of Ethics as observed by supervisor (Standard IV-E).

2. Utilize appropriate prevention and intervention strategies to manage behaviors and sustain clients' motivation, compliance, and participation as observed by supervisor.
3. Develop intervention plans with appropriate measurable and achievable goals which meet the client's needs based on theoretical knowledge, information gathered, data collected, and behavioral observations in collaboration clients/caregivers as demonstrated through documentation. (ASHA Standards IV-C, IV-D V-B)
4. Select or develop and utilize activities, intervention materials, and instruments which are appropriate for age and ability and motivating as observed by supervisor. (ASHA Standard V-B)
5. Identify and implement appropriate evidence-based strategies and methodologies to target goals and objectives as observed by supervisor and documented (ASHA Standards IV-F, V-B)
6. Collect data, measure and evaluate clients' performance and progress as demonstrated in documentation. (ASHA Standard V-B)
7. Based on client performance, modify plans, strategies, materials, and/or instrumentation as necessary to meet the needs of the client(s).(ASHA Standard V-B)
8. Acknowledge, adapt, and understand the needs of diverse populations in relation to culture, background, ethnicity, sexual orientation, religion, social class, ability, political belief, and disabilities as observed by supervisor. (ASHA Standard V-F)
9. Provide professional documentation of treatment plans, services provided, session outcomes, and progress as demonstrated in documentation (ASHA Standard V-B)

NOTE:“ASHA Standards” refer to the 2014 Standards for the Certificate of Clinical Competence in Speech-Language Pathology. The [ASHA Certification Standards](http://www.asha.org/Certification/2014-Speech-Language-Pathology-Certification-Standards/) can be found at:
<http://www.asha.org/Certification/2014-Speech-Language-Pathology-Certification-Standards/>

Required Texts/Readings

Textbook

There are no required texts. Suggested texts include those from coursework which pertain to your client(s) and the following:

1. Roth, F. and Worthington, C. (2015), Treatment Resource Manual for Speech Language Pathology—5th edition, Clifton Park, NY: Cengage Learning(ISBN-10: 1-285-85115-3)
2. Shipley, K. and McAfee, J. (2015), Assessment in Speech-Language Pathology: A Resource Manual—5th edition, Clifton Park, NY: Delmar Cengage Learning (ISBN-10: 1-285-19805-0)

Other Readings

Articles and other documents which pertain to assigned clients will be used throughout the semester. They will be made available via a Google Drive folder.

Other Equipment / Material

Various materials will need to be obtained and/or created to meet the needs of your client. It is highly encouraged that you borrow from the clinic or peers before purchasing your own to ensure that it will be useful. It is not necessary to purchase expensive therapy materials. Many toys for typically developing children and items used for activities of daily living are as effective as marketed “therapy materials.” If you plan to borrow materials from the clinic, be sure to arrive with plenty of time to make adjustments in case the intended materials are not available. Your materials must be ready and available at the start of class.

Course Requirements and Assignments

SJSU classes are designed such that in order to be successful, it is expected that students will spend a minimum of forty-five hours for each unit of credit (normally three hours per unit per week), including preparing for class, participating in course activities, completing assignments, and so on. More details about student workload can be found in [University Policy S12-3](http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/S12-3.pdf) at <http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/S12-3.pdf>.

1. **Attend and participate in Seminars.** Seminars are designed to guide you through your clinical experience, to help you problem solve, and to expand your knowledge with practical applications. Depending on the need of the class, some Seminars will have pre-set topics and others will be open to topics brought by students. Questions and further discussion is highly encouraged.
2. Read and be prepared to discuss **additional readings** during Seminar as assigned throughout semester. No greater than 8 additional readings will be assigned over the semester. Readings will be provided a minimum of 5 days prior to Seminar discussion. Reading will be related to development of clinical skills, specific clients, and/or professional development.
3. Design a **semester treatment plan with goals** for your client(s) with guidance from your supervisor to be completed one week prior to your first scheduled session.
4. **Collect and file all clinic forms** completed by your client(s)/caregiver(s). **Record each contact** (session, phone, email) with your client throughout the semester in the client file.
5. Provide **weekly Lesson Plans** for each session no later than 72 hours before your scheduled session. Refer to the Clinic Handbook for guidelines. Submit document on Egnyte in your client's "Submitted Documents" folder.
6. **Arrive to class with all therapy materials ready** including cut, laminated, sorted and glued.
7. Provide **weekly, 50-minute speech and language services** to your assigned client(s) under the guidance of your supervisor.
8. Therapy Notes or **SOAP notes** are to be submitted with 72 hours of completing your session. Submit the document on Egnyte in your client's "submitted documents" folder until approved to move to the permanent folder.
9. **Correct/revise documentation** per request of the supervisor within 36 hours of request.
10. **Peer observation** (one peer from your course section) is expected each week with the supervisor present to allow for live discussion of theories, techniques and strategies. Provide your observed peer with respectful feedback and observations on the Google Doc each week. You may also point out activities and strategies you observed to be very successful and would like to put in your repertoire. Utilize peer feedback for self-growth.
11. Write and present to client/caregiver a **Therapy Progress Report** at the conclusion of the semester following guidelines provided in the Clinic Handbook and the template provided by supervisor. In addition to reporting case history, present levels and progress, the report will include recommendations for future therapy objectives and home and community carryover. See course calendar for peer editing due dates. Final draft to be submitted via Egnyte "submitted documents" folder no later than one week prior to last day of scheduled session/conference. Once approved by supervisor, an electronic copy should be included in client's Egnyte file as well as a signed hard copy in the client's file.
12. **Conduct initial interview and final conference** with client/caregiver with supervisor present. Refer to Clinic Handbook for guidelines.
13. **Provide 3 written self-reflections** to objectively evaluate personal skills as a clinician. You may choose to follow the format provided in the Clinic Handbook. Due dates are as provided on course calendar.
14. **Participate in mid-term evaluation conference and final conference with supervisor.** Scheduled times to be provided. The department Clinical Practicum grading rubric will be presented by the supervisor and discussed with the student.

See course calendar for Seminar and Therapy Session schedule and due dates. Calendar subject to change with fair notice.

Additional Clinic Requirements

In addition to the course requirements, as a student clinician at the Kay Armstead Center for Communicative Disorders, you are required to follow the Clinic Handbook, protected health information privacy rules, and the ASHA code of ethics which includes but it not limited to the following:

1. **Attend All Clinic Meetings** as noted in the clinic calendar.
2. **Arrive on time and prepared** for each seminar and session. If coming into the observation room, do so quietly and respectfully. Materials should be ready to utilize before the course's scheduled start time even if your session starts at a later time.
3. **Adhere to the dress code** or you will be asked to return home to change. A missed session due to inappropriate attire will be required to be rescheduled. The dress code applies on all clinic days, even if your client cancelled with prior notice. On non-clinic days, be mindful of what you are wearing—you never know who you may bump into.
4. **Client Confidentiality:** Students will be considered members of the clinic workforce under regulations established by the [Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act](#) (HIPAA). Students will receive instruction in following HIPAA policies and will be required to adhere to these policies. As a teaching clinic, KACCD has further guidelines. Refer to the Clinic Handbook for further information. Further information about [HIPAA](#) can be found at <http://www.asha.org/practice/reimbursement/hipaa/default/>.
 - a. All clients have the right to confidentiality.
 - b. Students are not to discuss cases outside of the Communicative Disorders & Sciences Clinic or in public access areas within CDS (e.g., restrooms, hallways, observation booths, etc.).
 - c. Known violations of confidentiality will result in a stern reprimand. *Serious and/or repeated violations will warrant referral to the Clinic Coordinator and/or Chair of the Communicative Disorders & Sciences Department for disciplinary action.*
 - d. It is okay to discuss in the clinic office with closed door if possible.
 - e. Do not use client names or identifying information when discussing a client.
 - f. Use client initials when communicating with your supervisor in text or verbally.
 - g. If you meet in public, greet as an acquaintance or friend but never refer to yourself as their clinician.
 - h. Client files must remain at CD & S department. Unless with your supervisor, they should remain in the file room.
 - i. Don't leave identifying information in therapy rooms.
 - j. Shred all documents with identifying information.
 - k. Nothing from the client file may be photo copied or scanned.
5. **Other professionals:** You will be responsible for communicating with other professionals regarding the management of the client, as appropriate. *Before initiating a contact, the clinician must receive approval from the supervisor.* Please document all communication with other professionals in the client's file.
6. **Clinician and Client absences:** If you will not be able to attend your scheduled treatment/evaluation session for any reason, you are responsible for following the procedures outlined below:
 - a. Notify your client or caregiver of the cancellation. Make sure you have *access* to your client's home phone number and/or cellular number so you can contact him/her if you must cancel a session on short notice.

- b. Please notify me ASAP. Contact me by phone, voicemail, email or message to make me aware that you have cancelled the session. You can call the clinic assistant as well, but you must reach me as your supervisor.
 - c. Be sure that I am aware of each client absence as well as the total absences as they occur each week.
 - d. Please log all absences in the client file.
 - e. Planned time off by the student clinician is not permitted aside from religious holidays. Do not plan to be absent on clinic days or it will result in termination from the course per the Clinic Handbook based on unethical behavior.
7. **Electronic files:** (*Subject to change with further instruction from Clinical Coordinator*). Egnyte will be utilized to turn in Semester Treatment Plans, Lesson Plans, SOAPs, and Therapy Progress Reports. [Egnyte](https://mmccollum.egnyte.com) can be accessed at <https://mmccollum.egnyte.com>. You will be provided a log in and password by the clinic director. Within your clients' electronic files, there will be a "Turned In" folder. Place all documents in that folder until revised and approved by your supervisor. Once approved, move them into the appropriate folder within your clients' files. Do not share your password provided by the Clinic Coordinator.
 8. **Track your clinical hours** for observation and direct contact per ASHA. You are responsible for maintaining a record in order to complete your Summary of ASHA Hours form at the end of the semester.
 9. **Demonstrate appropriate use of Universal Precautions and procedures** to prevent the transmission of blood borne pathogens and the spread of communicable diseases and illnesses. Ensure before each session that you have what you need within your therapy room. Refer to the Clinic Handbook for further information.

Clinical Teaching Strategies

Clinical teaching strategies will be aimed at helping you to develop critical thinking skills and the ability to seek out appropriate resources. You may need more direct guidance initially, but I expect that as you develop more competence that you will require less. Throughout the semester, clinical teaching strategies will include but not be limited to: spoken feedback during sessions, discussion and feedback during meetings, discussion and feedback via e-mail, posing questions for you to consider and answer immediately or later, handouts, demonstration, performance rubrics, self-evaluation, peer feedback, and electronic editing of written reports and plans. Whether provided verbally or in writing, you can expect feedback for each session you complete.

This experience is for you. Everyone has their own learning styles and perceived levels of competence. Please let me know if you need or would like more feedback, support, or guidance and in what form. Do realize that I may not provide you an answer, but will at the least help guide you towards what you are seeking.

From me, you can expect honesty, willingness to try new things, flexibility, insight, guidance and respect. I expect that you too will be honest, willing to try new things, and flexible. I encourage you to demonstrate what you know, to find answers to what you don't know, and to question what you are uncertain of. No one has all the answers, so I expect we will be seeking some answers together.

[University policy F69-24](http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/F69-24.pdf) at <http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/F69-24.pdf> states, "Students should attend all meetings of their classes, not only because they are responsible for material discussed therein, but because active participation is frequently essential to insure maximum benefit for all members of the class. Attendance per se shall not be used as a criterion for grading."

Grading Policy

Grading information:

- **Clinical Practicum Grading Rubric:** The Clinical Practicum Grading Rubric was developed for the department of Communication Disorders and Sciences will be utilized to evaluate course learning objectives. Although the rubric provides a letter grade based on a point system, this course is taken for pass/fail credit. To pass this clinical course, you must have an average of “2” or higher in each of the 4 areas of the rubric (professionalism, intervention, writing conventions, and basic clinical competence). A grade of “B” or higher on the rubric is considered “passing.” Line items in which there were insufficient opportunities to exhibit skills will not be included in the calculation and therefore not count against you. Receiving a “1” in any line item at the end of the semester may be grounds for failure. The Clinical Practicum Rubric is provided as an addendum to this syllabus.
- **Midterm evaluation:** An individual conference will be held between the supervisor and student clinician mid-term to discuss present strengths and areas to be addressed. The Clinical Practicum Grading Rubric will be utilized.
- **Final evaluation:** A final individual conference will be held at the conclusion of the semester. The Clinical Practicum Grading Rubric will be utilized and turned in to the department to be placed in your student file. Both the supervisor and student clinician must sign the final rubric.
- **Late or missing assignments** will be accounted for in the Rubric in the Basic Clinician Competencies section. As a clinician, it is expected that ALL clinical documentation is completed and filed electronically and/or in the client file as applies. Incomplete client files may result in course failure.
- **Participation** in class discussions is required to collaborate and to demonstrate professionalism as included in the rubric. Furthermore, via class and individual discussions, you will be demonstrating the theoretical knowledge and to provide rationales for clinical decisions. Participation is reflected upon in the rubric in various line items.
- **Remediation activities:** If student performance for one or more specific knowledge/skill area is below expectations, the supervisor/instructor may require **remediation** and implement strategies that may include, but are not limited to, the following: 1) Providing oral explanations of content material, 2) Redoing all or part of academic/clinical projects, 3) Completing directed readings, 4) Viewing supplemental videos, 5) Other targeted activities. *These additional remediation activities will not alter the grade earned on a particular examination or assignment;* however, they will ensure that each student has demonstrated acquisition of each of the knowledge and/or skill areas targeted in the course.
- **Extra credit is not offered.** With the assumption that most students have an end goal of ASHA certification, completing remediation activities which address skills required for ASHA certification are expected when requested as stated above.
- **Attendance is required to meet clinical practicum expectations.** See Clinic Handbook for further information.

Note that “All students have the right, within a reasonable time, to know their academic scores, to review their grade-dependent work, and to be provided with explanations for the determination of their course grades.” See [University Policy F13-1](http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/F13-1.pdf) at <http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/F13-1.pdf> for more details.

Classroom and Clinic Protocol

In addition to the Course and Clinic Requirements listed above:

1. Be respectful and use the Golden Rule. This course is designed so that you can all learn from and support each other.
2. Seek guidance and assistance when necessary. Questions which demonstrate forethought are highly encouraged.

3. When attending seminar or observing, excuse yourself and return quietly as needed.
4. You may have your phone with you in the therapy room if used professionally. For example, if your supervisor is not directly observing you at the moment and your request for assistance via the observation cameras is not heard, you may text your supervisor versus poking your head out the door (remember you cannot leave your client unattended). Additionally, you may use it as a timer for timed trials. Do not use your phone as part of the therapy materials unless prior approval from your supervisor is granted. Personal or non-clinic related communication during therapy sessions via your phone is not permitted. Please silence your phone during seminar and observations. Being distracted by your phone may impact your rubric scores for professionalism and active listening.

University Policies

General Expectations, Rights and Responsibilities of the Student

As members of the academic community, students accept both the rights and responsibilities incumbent upon all members of the institution. Students are encouraged to familiarize themselves with SJSU's policies and practices pertaining to the procedures to follow if and when questions or concerns about a class arises. To learn important campus information, view University Policy S90-5 at <http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/S90-5.pdf> and SJSU current semester's Policies and Procedures, at <http://info.sjsu.edu/static/catalog/policies.html>. In general, it is recommended that students begin by seeking clarification or discussing concerns with their instructor. If such conversation is not possible, or if it does not address the issue, it is recommended that the student contact the Department Chair as the next step.

Dropping and Adding

Students are responsible for understanding the policies and procedures about add/drop, grade forgiveness, etc. Add/drop deadlines can be found on the current academic year calendars document on the [Academic Calendars webpage](http://www.sjsu.edu/provost/services/academic_calendars/) at http://www.sjsu.edu/provost/services/academic_calendars/. The [Late Drop Policy](http://www.sjsu.edu/aars/policies/latedrops/policy/) is available at <http://www.sjsu.edu/aars/policies/latedrops/policy/>. Students should be aware of the current deadlines and penalties for dropping classes.

Information about the latest changes and news is available at the [Advising Hub](http://www.sjsu.edu/advising/) at <http://www.sjsu.edu/advising/>.

Consent for Recording of Class and Public Sharing of Instructor Material

[University Policy S12-7](http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/S12-7.pdf), <http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/S12-7.pdf>, requires students to obtain instructor's permission to record the course and the following items to be included in the syllabus:

- “Common courtesy and professional behavior dictate that you notify someone when you are recording him/her. You must obtain the instructor's permission to make audio or video recordings in this class. Such permission allows the recordings to be used for your private, study purposes only. The recordings are the intellectual property of the instructor; you have not been given any rights to reproduce or distribute the material.”
 - In classes where active participation of students or guests may be on the recording, permission of those students or guests should be obtained as well.
- “Course material developed by the instructor is the intellectual property of the instructor and cannot be shared publicly without his/her approval. You may not publicly share or upload instructor generated material for this course such as exam questions, lecture notes, or homework solutions without instructor consent.”

Academic integrity

Your commitment, as a student, to learning is evidenced by your enrollment at San Jose State University. The [University Academic Integrity Policy S07-2](http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/S07-2.pdf) at <http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/S07-2.pdf> requires you to be honest in all your academic course work. Faculty members are required to report all infractions to the office of Student Conduct and Ethical Development. The [Student Conduct and Ethical Development website](http://www.sjsu.edu/studentconduct/) is available at <http://www.sjsu.edu/studentconduct/>.

Campus Policy in Compliance with the American Disabilities Act

If you need course adaptations or accommodations because of a disability, or if you need to make special arrangements in case the building must be evacuated, please make an appointment with me as soon as possible, or see me during office hours. [Presidential Directive 97-03](http://www.sjsu.edu/president/docs/directives/PD_1997-03.pdf) at http://www.sjsu.edu/president/docs/directives/PD_1997-03.pdf requires that students with disabilities requesting accommodations must register with the [Accessible Education Center](http://www.sjsu.edu/aec) (AEC) at <http://www.sjsu.edu/aec> to establish a record of their disability.

Student Resources

King Library Services	http://libguides.sjsu.edu/CDS Liaison: Geetali Basu geetali.basu@sjsu.edu 408-808-2651
Writing Center	http://www.sjsu.edu/writingcenter/
Counseling Services	http://www.sjsu.edu/counseling/
Peer Connections	http://peerconnections.sjsu.edu/about_us/
Student Technology Resources	Computer labs for student use are available in the Academic Success Center at http://www.sjsu.edu/at/asc/ located on the 1st floor of Clark Hall and in the Associated Students Lab on the 2nd floor of the Student Union. Additional computer labs may be available in your department/college. Computers are also available in the Martin Luther King Library. A wide variety of audio-visual equipment is available for student checkout from Media Services located in IRC 112. These items include DV and HD digital camcorders; digital still cameras; video, slide and overhead projectors; DVD, CD, and audiotape players; sound systems, wireless microphones, projection screens and monitors.

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This Schedule is subject to change with fair notice and how the notice will be made available.

- **All Weekly Lesson Plans due 72 hours before your scheduled session via Egnyte.**
- **All Therapy Notes (SOAPs) due 72 hours after session is completed via Egnyte.**

Course Schedule

Week	Date	Seminars and Therapy Sessions	Assignments in Addition to Weekly Lesson Plans & SOAPs
1	1/29/16	Seminar	Reflection (Due 2/1/16): What do you bring to clinic that will help you to be a good clinician; what are you apprehensive about; what do you want to gain from this course?
2	2/5/16	Seminar	Bring a draft of your first lesson plan with main objective to gather baseline data to Seminar First Lesson Plan due: 2/9/16 @ 2:00 PM
3	2/12/16	First Clinic Sessions (2:30, 3:00, 3:30)	First SOAP Due 2/15/16 @ 2:00 pm
4	2/19/16	Sessions (2:30, 3:00. 3:30)	Provide draft of proposed goals with SOAP due 2/22/16 @ 2pm
5	2/26/16	Sessions (2:30, 3:00. 3:30)	Provide Semester Treatment Plan report including background history, baselines, and final version of goals/objectives for the semester by 2/29/16 @ 2PM
6	3/4/16	Sessions (2:30, 3:00. 3:30)	
7	3/11/16	Sessions (2:30, 3:00. 3:30)	Reflection (Due 3/11/16)
8	3/18/16	Sessions (2:30, 3:00. 3:30) Mid Term Evaluations	
9	3/25/16	Sessions (2:30, 3:00. 3:30)	
10	4/1/16	SPRING BREAK	
11	4/8/16	Sessions (2:30, 3:00. 3:30)	
12	4/15/16	Sessions (2:30, 3:00. 3:30)	
13	4/22/16	Sessions (2:30, 3:00. 3:30)	Final Therapy Report Due 4/25/16 by 2:00 pm
14	4/29/16	Sessions (2:30, 3:00. 3:30)	Final Therapy Report with all revision due 5/3/16 @ 2:00 pm
15	5/6/16	Final Session: present Final Therapy Reports to clients	Reflection (Due 5/6/16)
16	5/13/16	Final Conferences	
	TBD	Final Exam	