

University of Akron  
School of Speech Language Pathology and Audiology  
Audiology and Speech Center

TECHNICAL STANDARDS

The technical standards of the University of Akron School of Speech Language Pathology and Audiology & Audiology and Speech Center



- i Respond quickly to provide a safe environment for clients/patients in emergency situations including fire, choking, etc.
- i Manipulate patient-utilized equipment (e.g. durable medical equipment to include AAC devices, hearing aids, etc) in a safe manner
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- i Manage the use of time effectively to complete professional and technical tasks within a realistic time constraints
- i Accept appropriate suggestions and constructive criticism and respond by modification of behaviors
- i Dress appropriately and professionally
- i Demonstrate honesty, integrity, and professionalism.
- i Maintain confidentiality of patient information.
- i Provide services to all clients/patients regardless of sex, sexual orientation, race, color, religion, age, handicap, status as a veteran, political affiliation, socioeconomic status, or national or ethnic origin.

Continuation in the graduate program will be contingent on the student's verification that they understand and meet these technical standards either with or without accommodation. Students who may have a disability and believe they can meet the technical standards with accommodation are encouraged to contact the Office of Accessibility to discuss and identify reasonable accommodations the University or program would need to make so the candidate may be able to meet these standards.

#### Technical Standards: Procedures for Enforcement

*The technical standards of the University of Akron School of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology & Audiology and Speech Center reflect the essential qualities and abilities that are considered necessary to a student's academic and clinical performance. Ability to meet these technical standards must be maintained throughout a student's progress throughout the graduate program. The technical standards are tied to all academic and clinical coursework, and are included in the syllabi of all faculty.*

***These standards were approved by the faculty of the School of Speech-Language Pathology & Audiology in the Spring 2018.***

If an area of concern arises with a student regarding violation of any Technical Standard(s), the following steps will be taken:

- x The issue of a suspected violation may be raised by the following ~~so~~ faculty, supervisors, staff, clients/patients, caregivers, or fellow student(s). This concern should be submitted in writing to the School Director of The University of Akron.
- x A conference to discuss this concern will be held with the student, the ~~SD~~ Director, the Graduate Coordinator and/or Clinic Director, academic advisor, and any other appropriate faculty members/preceptors.

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- x At any time if it is determined by the faculty that a student's behavior poses a risk to the health or safety of clients/patients, faculty, supervisors, staff or fellow students, the case will be referred by the School Director to the Office of Judicial Affairs. The Dean of the College of Health Professions will be notified of this referral.

*PLEASE SIGN THE STATEMENT BELOW:*

I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE TECHNICAL STANDARDS LISTED ABOVE AND I BELIEVE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE THAT I MEET EACH OF THESE STANDARDS EITHER WITH OR WITHOUT ACCOMMODATION. I WILL CONTACT THE OFFICE OF ACCESSIBILITY TO DETERMINE WHAT ACCOMMODATIONS ARE AVAILABLE. I UNDERSTAND THAT IF I AM UNABLE TO MEET THESE STANDARDS, I MAY BE DISMISSED FROM THE PROGRAM.

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Signature of Applicant

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Date