

Online Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Speech-Language Pathology

The Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Speech-Language Pathology is designed for students who intend to apply to the graduate program in Speech-Language Pathology but have completed a major in a different field. It is a rigorous program designed to prepare students for graduate school in Speech-Language Pathology. The post baccalaureate certificate is offered online but can also be taken in-person at Lehman.

To be considered for the Lehman College Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Speech-Language Pathology, students must first be admitted as a general transfer student:

1. Submit a [CUNY Transfer Application](#) and choose “Speech-Language Pathology CERT” as your intended major.
 2. Follow all general admission application requirements.
 3. Once accepted, make an appointment with our department’s [advisors](#), Dr. Almodovar (diana.almodovar@lehman.cuny.edu) or Prof. Boylan (mary.boylan@lehman.cuny.edu) to discuss the selection of courses. You must take **at least 5 of the 6 courses** at Lehman. If you wish to take one course at another college, the course syllabus must be evaluated and approved by our department’s advisors prior to enrollment.
- The fall general transfer application deadline is **February 1st** but applications are accepted on a rolling basis through mid-July. Students interested in summer enrollment must submit a fall application and complete enrollment steps prior to the start of summer classes.
 - The spring general transfer application deadline is **September 15th** but applications are accepted on a rolling basis through mid-December. Students interested in winter enrollment must submit a spring application and complete enrollment steps prior to the start of winter classes.
 - The Certificate consists of the following six courses, which fulfill the requirements for application to the graduate program at Lehman College. At least one section of each course is offered online. The 200-level courses have no prerequisites and do not require permission. The 300-level courses have prerequisites, as detailed below.
 - SPV 228 Introduction to Audiology
 - SPV 245 (LNG 245) Articulatory Phonetics
 - SPV 247 (LNG 247) Anatomy and Physiology of the Speech Mechanism
 - SPV 321 Language Acquisition
 - SPV 349 Speech and Hearing Sciences
 - SPV 400 Communication Disorders Across the Lifespan (Prerequisites: SPV 228, SPV 245, SPV 247, SPV 321)

Students must complete all three 200-level SPV courses prior to taking any 300-level SPV course. In addition, SPV 321 is a prerequisite or co-requisite for SPV 400.

We offer an additional one credit course for students who wish to complete their 25 Clinical Observation Hours- SPV 440

FAQs - Frequently asked questions about the Post-Baccalaureate Certificate

Should I enroll as a second-Bachelor's degree student, or should I take the courses as a non-matriculated student through the Post-Baccalaureate Prerequisites Program?

Each student must determine the best plan for themselves. In general, if your overall GPA from your baccalaureate degree is below 3.0, you may want to consider obtaining a second degree in Speech-Language Pathology & Audiology as your major, in order to strengthen your graduate school application. If your GPA is above 3.0, then the certificate program may be your best option.

If I complete the Post-Baccalaureate Certificate at Lehman College, will I be guaranteed admission to the graduate program in Speech-Language Pathology?

No, completion of the prerequisite courses does not guarantee you admission to a graduate program.

Do the courses meet the prerequisites at all graduate programs in Speech-Language Pathology or Audiology?

Although the courses do meet all of the necessary prerequisites of the graduate program at Lehman College, they may not meet all of the prerequisites of graduate programs at other colleges. It is recommended that you carefully review the application criteria for the graduate programs to which you are considering submitting an application.

I already took some of the prerequisite courses several years ago. Will those courses still fulfill the current requirements?

It is possible that you may have to re-take courses that were originally taken many years ago. Please check with the undergraduate advisor.

For questions on the certificate program, please attend one of the [weekly virtual advisement meetings](#), or Professor Mary Boylan mary.boylan@lehman.cuny.edu or Dr. Diana Almodovar diana.almodovar@lehman.cuny.edu.