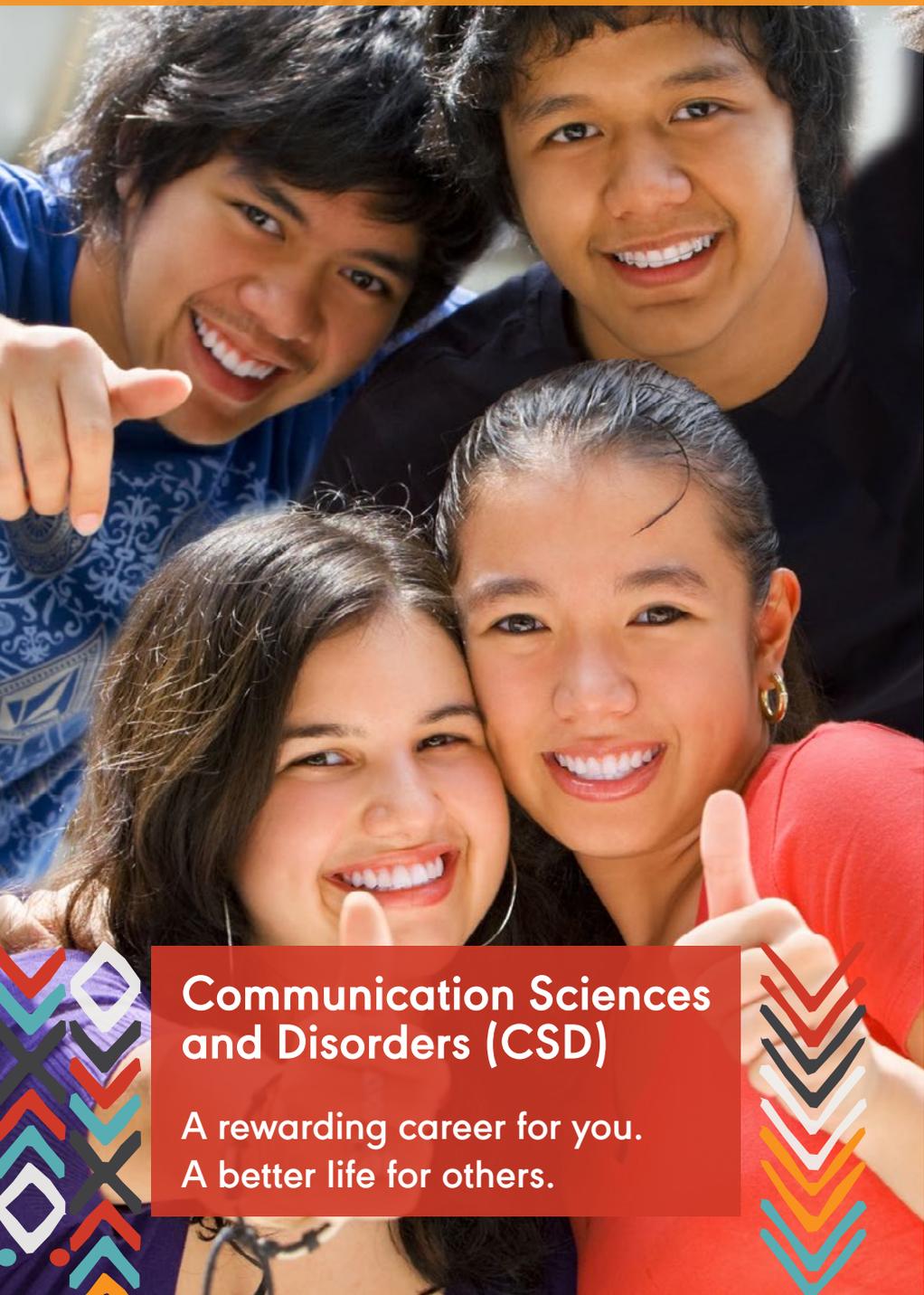


Want to give back to your community?
Want a great career?



Communication Sciences and Disorders (CSD)

A rewarding career for you.
A better life for others.



Communication Sciences and Disorders (CSD)

is about working with people to improve their speech, language, hearing, and other communication abilities. CSD professionals help people communicate effectively. There are two professions in the discipline.

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Audiology

Help people who have hearing and balance disorders.



Speech-Language Pathology

Help people who have speech and language communication problems.

Everything You Need to Build a Career You'll Love.

As an audiologist or speech-language pathologist, you can:

Help people of all ages to overcome various communication disorders, such as hearing and speech-related problems like balance, tinnitus, stuttering, speaking difficulties, or having trouble swallowing.

Have great flexibility and many choices. You can work in all kinds of settings such as hospitals, schools, universities, private practice, and research labs; and focus on different skills, disorders, technologies, and goals. Domestic and global opportunities are available.

Have a stable job with great pay. Employment prospects are strong and growing for CSD professionals – with excellent salaries and benefits to match.

How do I know if a CSD career is a good fit for me?

- I have a mix of talents. I like science, and I really like interacting with and helping people too.
- I'm a great communicator.
- I'm a problem solver.
- Working with cutting-edge technology excites me.
- I want to give back to my community.

If you check most of the boxes above, talk to your counselor about schools that offer communication sciences programs or visit on.asha.org/CSDprofession to learn more.

 WORK IN THE MILITARY



 GIVE BACK TO YOUR COMMUNITY



“I love being an audiologist because of the variety. Every day is different because each patient has a different need or concern. I get to work with all ages either one-on-one, as a couple, or as a family. As a Native audiologist, what excites me about my work is the opportunity to provide hearing health care to the Native population by trying to meet their physical, mental, social, and spiritual needs.”

- Kristen Bruner-Kober, CCC-A



Words From a Pro



Christine Begay Vining, PhD, CCC-SLP

◀ “Having a Native American/Navajo bilingual perspective on communication development and disorders has been invaluable in my career. It gives me insight into the needs and strengths in native communities. This has allowed me to provide and advocate for clinical services that are appropriate. It also has helped me to work to bridge cultural and linguistic differences, meet the unmet needs and build capacity and resource across the state and tribal communities.” ▶



WORK IN SCHOOLS



Audiology and speech-language pathology are top professions –
But don't just take it from us.



Audiology Jobs Ranking

#12

HIGHEST-PAYING JOBS
FOR PEOPLE WHO WANT
TO WORK LESS THAN 40
HOURS A WEEK
Ladders (2022)

#14

BEST JOBS
CareerCast.com (2019)



Speech-Language Pathology Jobs Ranking

#3

BEST HEALTH CARE JOBS
*U.S. News & World Report
(2018)*

#24

30 BEST JOBS FOR
THE FUTURE
Business Insider (2021)



Use your cultural knowledge and linguistic skills.

Do not underestimate the value you bring because of your unique culture, background, and linguistic skills. 21.6% of the nation's population age 5 and over speak a language other than English at home*. If that's you, as an audiologist or speech-language pathologist, you will be in high demand!

* *LanguageLine Solutions. (September 20, 2017)*

It's not too early to begin thinking about your career.

You can make a real impact in your community and beyond as an audiologist or speech-language pathologist.

The American Speech-Language-Hearing Association has resources to help you, as a student, along your journey.

To learn more, visit on.asha.org/CSDprofession and speak with your guidance counselor.

Multicultural Constituency Groups

There are multicultural groups that offer opportunities once you become a CSD student to present research, gain leadership skills, and acquire mentoring opportunities.

Visit on.asha.org/NAC to learn more about the Native American Caucus.

* *Reference: LanguageLine Solutions. (2017, September 20). Census: More than 20 percent of U.S. residents speak a language other than English at home. Retrieved from <http://blog.languageline.com/limited-english-proficient-census>*