

# Graduate Application for Admission to the School of Graduate and Professional Studies



**ROCKHURST**  
A Jesuit University

**A \$25 non-refundable application fee is required.**

Make check or money order payable to Rockhurst University.

**Each graduate program requires additional application materials.**

Please review the accompanying program checklist for specific requirements.

## General Information

Full Legal Name: Last First Middle

Other names which may appear on documents being submitted

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Social Security Number

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Date of Birth (Month, Day, Year)

## Mailing Address

Number & Street Apt. No.

City State Zip

( )

Home Phone

( )

Daytime Phone

( )

Cell Phone

E-mail Address

## Permanent Mailing Address

(if different from above)

Number & Street Apt. No.

City State Zip

( )

Permanent Phone

## Colleges Attended

Please list all colleges and universities attended, beginning with the most recent.  
Please note that **two official transcripts** must be submitted from each institution.

College or University Name	Location	Dates Attended	Major	Degree Received
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

If more space is needed, please attach an extra sheet.

If you have not yet completed your undergraduate degree, please indicate date of anticipated completion: \_\_\_\_\_

## Citizenship

- U.S.
- Other: Please indicate \_\_\_\_\_

If not a U.S. citizen, indicate type of visa and submit a copy of your visa with this application.

- Student (F1)
- Exchange (J1)
- Permanent Resident (PR)
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

## Languages Spoken

(List native language first)

If English is not your first language, please submit TOEFL scores to the Graduate Admission Office by the application deadline date. A minimum TOEFL score of 550 is required for admission.

## Program Information

Graduate program to which you are applying:

- Master of Education with Teacher Certification  
(please identify area of certification) \_\_\_\_\_
- Master of Education (Teach for America)  
(please identify area of certification) \_\_\_\_\_
- Master of Occupational Therapy
- Master of Science in Communication Sciences & Disorders
- Post-Baccalaureate Prep Track in  
Communication Sciences & Disorders

## Enrollment Options

- Full Time  Part Time
- (Note: A part-time option is not available for all graduate programs)

Semester/Year you anticipate enrolling:  
 Fall  Spring  Summer of 20 \_\_\_\_\_

(Note: Some programs have only one entry date)

Have you ever applied to Rockhurst?

- Yes  No If yes, when? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever attended Rockhurst?

- Yes  No If yes, last date attended? \_\_\_\_\_

## Employment Information

Please list most recent employment first.

Company Name	Work Phone Number	Company Address	Position/Title	Dates of Employment
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Briefly describe your current duties. \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly describe other relevant work/volunteer experiences. \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been:

- Dismissed from any college or university?  Yes  No
- Convicted of a felony?  Yes  No
- Other than honorably discharged from any branch of the U.S. Military?  Yes  No

*If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, please provide a full explanation on a separate sheet and attach it to the application. Answering "yes" to any of the above questions is not an absolute bar to admission at Rockhurst University.*

## For Statistical Purposes Only (Optional)

Rockhurst University maintains a program of affirmative action and nondiscrimination in all aspects of the services we provide. The following questions are optional and intended solely for the purpose of providing us with information that enables us to measure the effectiveness of our affirmative action program and our compliance with the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the 1972 Education Amendments, and Executive Order 11246 as amended.

Sex :  Male  
 Female

Ethnicity: Do you consider yourself to be Hispanic/Latino?  
 Yes  No

Select one or more of the following racial categories to describe yourself:

- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian
- Black or African American
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- White

## Equal Opportunity

Rockhurst University operates in accordance with all applicable laws on equal opportunity and non-discrimination in the consideration of eligible students for admission, scholarships and financial aid.

## Information Source

Please check all the sources from which you received or heard information about Rockhurst University.

- Alumni
- Newspaper
- Employer
- Relative
- TV/Radio Advertisement
- Poster
- Mailings
- Web Site
- Other \_\_\_\_\_
- Graduate Admission Office
- Graduate Program Office

## Signature

I certify, to the best of my knowledge, that all statements I have made in this application are complete and true. Failure to supply complete and accurate information may result in the denial of this application or in subsequent dismissal from Rockhurst University. I further understand that each graduate program requires additional application materials, and that I am responsible for the completeness of my application.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Send application,  
copies of official transcripts,  
application fee and  
additional application materials to:

**Rockhurst University**  
Office of Graduate Admission  
1100 Rockhurst Road  
Kansas City, MO 64110-2561  
www.rockhurst.edu

# Master of Science in Communication Sciences and Disorders

## Application Checklist

- 1. Complete the graduate application for admission to the School of Graduate and Professional Studies.
- 2. Enclose a \$25 (check or money order) nonrefundable application fee payable to Rockhurst University.
- 3. Complete the essay (Form A).
- 4. Send two official transcripts from **each** college or university previously attended.
- 5. Request three recommendations (Form B) to be sent **directly** to Rockhurst University's Office of Graduate Admission. Of the three recommendations, **at least two must be from current or former instructors.**
- 6. Send GRE scores.
- 7. Mail materials to:  
**Rockhurst University**  
**Office of Graduate Admission**  
**1100 Rockhurst Road**  
**Kansas City, MO 64110-2561**

We recommend applications be completed and submitted as soon as possible to ensure a timely decision by the admission committee and eligibility for financial aid.

Graduates will be eligible for state licensure in Kansas and Missouri.

The speech-language pathology master's program is accredited by the Council on Academic Accreditation of the American Speech-Language and Hearing Association (ASHA).

Rockhurst University is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission, a commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, 30 North LaSalle Street, Suite 2400, Chicago, Illinois 60602-2504, (800) 621-7440.



# Master of Science in Communication Sciences and Disorders

## Degree Requirements

Candidates for the Master's Degree in Communication Sciences and Disorders must meet the following criteria:

1. An undergraduate degree in communication sciences and disorders (or equivalent area) from an accredited college or university; or, an undergraduate degree in another discipline plus course work equivalent to the major field of concentration of the Rockhurst University undergraduate program in communication sciences and disorders. Undergraduate preparation must consist of at least 36 semester credit hours that reflect a well integrated program of study including:  
a) biological sciences; b) physical sciences; c) the behavioral and/or social sciences, including normal aspects of human behavior and communication; d) mathematics; and e) the nature, prevention, evaluation, and treatment of speech, language, hearing, and related disorders. Some course work must address issues pertaining to normal and abnormal human development and behavior across the life span and to culturally diverse populations;\*
2. A minimum GPA of 3.00 (on a 4.00 scale) and a 3.00 GPA or better in the undergraduate major;
3. Strong performance on the verbal, quantitative, and analytical components of the GRE;
4. Excellent oral and written communication skills;
5. Strong personal commitment to advanced study and service in communication disorders; and
6. All other requirements for admission to graduate study (see Application Checklist).

In addition, the candidates must have completed the following prerequisite courses or demonstrate the ability to complete such while enrolled in the graduate program at Rockhurst University: one ethics course, one philosophy course, plus four additional courses in the humanities.

Those students interested in obtaining certification as speech-language specialists in the state of Missouri should expect to complete additional course requirements. Students may enroll in courses available at Rockhurst or at other CAA-accredited institutions as appropriate to make up any CSD undergraduate deficiencies. Once a student has been accepted into the graduate program, he or she must maintain a 3.0 grade point average in all remaining prerequisite courses.

For further information regarding accreditation, please correspond with:

ASHA  
10801 Rockville Pike  
Rockville, MD 20852-3279

[www.asha.org](http://www.asha.org)

### \* Post-Baccalaureate Prep Track

Rockhurst University offers a post-bachelor's Prep Track in communication sciences and disorders which allows individuals who hold undergraduate degrees in disciplines other than CSD to complete all required and related course work necessary for admission to a graduate program, whether at Rockhurst or at any other institution. Upon successful completion of the Prep Track program, students will progress to graduate status.

## Master of Science in Communication Sciences and Disorders

# Form A: Essay

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Name

Date

Below, or on an attached sheet with your name at the top, please submit a 300-400 word, typed, one-page statement addressing the following:

- Your personal and career objectives; and
- A summary of your undergraduate academic and clinical experiences related to communication disorders.

# Master of Science in Communication Sciences and Disorders

## Form B: Confidential Recommendation

### Instructions to Applicant

Please complete this portion of the form prior to delivering it to the person who has agreed to serve as a reference. Ask the individual to return the recommendation to Rockhurst University's Office of Graduate Admission.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Reference

I waive the right by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (Buckley Amendment) to view this letter of recommendation in my file at Rockhurst University.

I do not wish to waive this right. Rather, I wish to retain the right to view this letter in my file at Rockhurst University.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### Instructions to Recommender

The above named person is applying for admission to Rockhurst University's Master of Science Program in Communication Sciences and Disorders. Your evaluation of the individual in each of the following areas will help us assess his or her potential for success in the program and in the profession.

Because Rockhurst University is in compliance with section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, we discourage you from referring directly or indirectly to any disability that the applicant may have.

Please circle the number that best represents the applicant's level in each area.

Area	Superior	Satisfactory	Needs Improvement	No Basis for Judgment			
Accepts & implements changes as a result of constructive criticism	5	4	3	2	1	0	na
Identifies sources of stress & uses effective coping mechanisms	5	4	3	2	1	0	na
Cooperates & relates effectively to others to accomplish a goal-oriented task	5	4	3	2	1	0	na
Demonstrates interest in the well-being of others	5	4	3	2	1	0	na
Projects oneself in a manner appropriate for a clinical setting	5	4	3	2	1	0	na
Exemplifies high ethical standards	5	4	3	2	1	0	na
Integrates research and theory into clinical practice	5	4	3	2	1	0	na
Identifies problems, develops solutions & evaluates outcomes	5	4	3	2	1	0	na
Demonstrates writing skills appropriate for graduate research and clinical tasks	5	4	3	2	1	0	na
Abides by time-ordered schedules & is respectful of the time of others	5	4	3	2	1	0	na
Demonstrates leadership skills & initiative	5	4	3	2	1	0	na
Potential for success as a graduate student	5	4	3	2	1	0	na

I have known the applicant for (how long) \_\_\_\_\_

If you are a faculty member, would you recommend that this person be admitted to your own program?

yes    no    not certain    not applicable

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Employer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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