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Curriculum Framework

Bachelor in Audiology and Speech– Language Pathology (B.ASLP)

Norms, Regulations & Curriculum Framework

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Preamble

The rehabilitation Council of India, the apex body entrusted with the responsibility of maintenance of standards in the training of rehabilitation personnel and professionals in India, periodically undertakes revision of curriculum of its training programs. There was a sense of urgency in this year's proposal for revision because the components of the New Education Policy 2020 – the flagship program of the Government of India – had to be incorporated. The present revision has included many salient features of the NEP 2020, namely, major – minor subjects dimension, choice of subjects across multidisciplinary fields of study, ratio of theory to clinical/practical subjects and the credits system, to name a few. The present revision has also considered and included aspects of National Credit Framework, 2023 of UGC. The prospective students have to log in 160 credits, spread over major, minor, and clinical subjects, for a Bachelor's degree.

Others highlight of the present revision:

- a) The guidelines recommended by the National Medical Commission under Graduate Medical Education Regulations 2023 to define the profile of the trained graduates in the field have been adopted. The program objectives have been tuned to reflect this.
- b) The recommendations under the Right of Persons with Disability, 2016 to decide on the eligibility of Divyangjan to the training programs in speech and hearing have been adopted. The curriculum makes a provision for constitution of an expert committee to ensure that the Divyangjan are considered for admission without any prejudice.

B.ASLP: Rules, Regulations and Content

1.0 Nomenclature

The nomenclature of the program shall be Bachelor in Audiology and Speech-language Pathology. B. ASLP is the short form.

2.0 Objectives of the B.ASLP Program

The objectives of the B.ASLP program are to equip the students with knowledge and skills to

- function as audiologists and speech-language pathologists in different work settings
- understand concepts relating to speech, language, communication, hearing and disability
- screen, evaluate, diagnose and assess the severity of different disorders related to speech, language, swallowing, hearing and hearing-related vestibular disorders
- manage speech, language, swallowing, hearing and hearing-related vestibular disorders across life span
- counsel persons with disorders of communication, and their family members
- rehabilitate persons with speech, language, swallowing, hearing and hearing-related vestibular disorders

- implement programs for public on awareness and prevention of speech, language, and hearing disorders
- liaise with professionals in allied fields, administrators, policy makers and other stake holders on issues related to communication disorders, and
- undertake advocacy measures on behalf of, and for persons with speech, language and hearing disorders

3.0 Duration of the Program

- a) The program shall be of 4 academic years (eight semesters) including 1 year of internship
- b) The program shall be completed within seven years from the date of admission.
- c) An academic year consists of two semesters, and each semester shall extend over a minimum period of eighteen weeks .
- d) There shall be an examination at the end of each semester.

4.0 Eligibility for Admission

- a) Candidates seeking admission to the B.ASLP program should have passed 10+2 examination or an equivalent examination conducted by the Pre University Board of Education or an equivalent Board of State or Central Government securing a minimum of 50% marks. Relaxation in the qualifying marks shall be as per rules and regulations of respective University / State/ UTs or Central Government.
- b) The applicants/candidates should have studied any two or more subjects in the science stream in the qualifying examination
- c) The eligibility of persons with disability shall be assessed by a committee consisting of an expert in speech-language pathology, audiology, clinical psychology, pediatrics, and otolaryngology, among others.
- d) In general, admission of students under "Disability Category" for the B.ASLP program shall be governed by the same guidelines (No. U. 14021-8-2023-UGMEB / Dated the 12th June 2023) issued by the National Medical Commission for admission of students under "Disability Category" to the MBBS program.
- e) Foreign applicants shall obtain equivalency certificate from the Association of Indian University.

5.0 Program Structure

Time structure of each semester

Months / Semester	6
Weeks / Semester	26 weeks
Study holidays + Examination	8 weeks in each semester
Study duration in each semester	18 weeks

Days per week / Semester
Hours / day / Semester

5 days / 90 days
7 hours / 630 hours per semester

6.0 Attendance

- a) Attendance shall not be less than 80% in theory and 90% in Clinical / Practicals in each semester. Students not meeting the attendance requirements shall not be allowed to take examination in the particular paper with shortage of attendance and will be marked 'failed.' Such students can take the exam in that particular paper in the next odd or even semester as the case may be.

7.0 Examination Pattern

7.1 The examination pattern and papers shall be as shown in the table below:

No.	Title of the paper	Practical	IA	Exam	Total	Credit
B1.1 M	Introduction to Speech-language Pathology	--	25	50	75	3
B1.2 M	Introduction to Audiology	--	25	50	75	3
B1.3 MC	Anatomy and Physiology of Speech & Swallowing	--	25	50	75	2
B1.4 MC	Anatomy and Physiology of Hearing	--	25	50	75	2
B1.5 M	Practicals Speech-language Pathology	--	--	50	50	1
B1.6 M	Practicals Audiology	--	--	50	50	1
			100	300	400	12
B2.1 M	Fluency and its Disorders	25	25	50	100	4
B2.2 M	Diagnostic Audiology- Basic	25	25	50	100	4
B2.3 MC	Linguistics and Phonetics	--	25	50	75	3
B2.4 MC	Otolaryngology	--	25	50	75	3
B2.5 MO	Optional Minor - 1	--	10	40	50	1
B2.6 M	Clinicals in Speech Language Pathology	--	25	50	75	1
B2.7 M	Clinicals in Audiology	--	25	50	75	1
		50	160	340	550	17
B3.1 M	Child Language Disorders	25	25	50	100	4
B3.2 M	Amplification Devices	25	25	50	100	4
B3.3 MC	Electronics and Acoustics	--	25	50	75	3
B3.4 MC	Psychology for Speech and Hearing	--	25	50	75	3
B3.5 MO	Optional Minor - 2		10	40	50	1
B3.6 M	Clinicals in Speech-language Pathology	--	25	50	75	3
B3.7 M	Clinicals in Audiology	--	25	50	75	3

		50	160	340	550	21
B4.1 M	Structural Anomalies and Speech Sound Disorders	25	25	50	100	4
B4.2 M	Diagnostic Audiology – Advanced	25	25	50	100	4
B4.3 MC	Neurology	--	25	50	75	3
B4.4 MC	Research Methods & Statistics	--	25	50	75	3
B4.5 MO	Optional Minor - 3	--	10	40	50	1
B4.6 M	Clinicals in Speech-language Pathology	--	25	50	75	3
B4.7 M	Clinicals in Audiology	--	25	50	75	3
		50	160	340	550	21
B5.1 M	Voice Disorders and Laryngectomy	25	25	50	100	4
B5.2 M	Motor Speech Disorders-Children	25	25	50	100	4
B5.3 M	Pediatric Audiology	25	25	50	100	4
B5.4 M	Aural Habilitation	25	25	50	100	4
B5.5 MO	Optional Minor - 4	--	10	40	50	1
B5.6 M	Clinicals in Speech-Language Pathology	--	25	50	75	3
B5.7 M	Clinicals in Audiology	--	25	50	75	3
		100	160	340	600	23
B6.1 M	Adult Language Disorders	25	25	50	100	4
B6.2 M	Motor Speech Disorders - Adults	25	25	50	100	4
B6.3 M	Implantable Devices	25	25	50	100	4
B6.4 M	Audiology in Practice	25	25	50	100	4
B6.5 MC	RCI Course	--	25	75	100	4
B6.6 M	Clinicals in Speech-language Pathology	--	25	50	75	3
B6.7 M	Clinicals in Audiology	--	25	50	75	3
		100	175	375	650	26
B7.1 M	Clinicals in Speech-language Pathology	--	--	100	100	20
B7.2 M	Clinicals in Audiology	--	--	100	100	20
				200	200	40
		350	915	2235	3500	160

7.2 Course content shall be as in Annexure 1

7.3 The students shall successfully complete 160 credits to be eligible for the award of the Bachelor's degree. Students shall obtain these 160 credits as follows:

Major (M)	Speech-language Pathology	Theory	32 credits
Major (M)	Audiology	Theory	32 credits
Major (M)	Speech-language Pathology	Clinicals	33 credits*
Major (M)	Audiology	Clinicals	33 credits*
Minor Compulsory(MC)	Related Areas		22 credits
Minor Compulsory(MC)	RCI		4 Credits
Minor Optional (MO)	Related Areas		4 Credits
Total			160 Credits

* Including the 20 credits earned during internship

- 7.4 Practical exams at the end of 1st semester shall be conducted by two internal examiners nominated by the head of the department or institution. Record of practicals maintained by the students shall also be evaluated by the examiners.
- 7.5 Performance in at least one written test and one assignment shall be the basis for awarding 50% internal assessment marks in each semester. The remaining 50% of IA shall be awarded on the basis of continuous assessment by the faculty teaching a given subject. Each institute can develop its own criteria for continuous assessment.
- 7.6 All clinical examinations shall be conducted by one internal and one external examiner. B7.1 and B7.2 shall be at the end of internship (8th semester).
- 7.7 All clinical examinations shall be with clinical population and with audio / video records of clinical samples. The examiners shall also evaluate records of clinical and practical work of the students.
- 7.8 Examinations for all Minor Optionals (B 2.5, B 3.5, B 4.5, and B 5.5 as also Minor Compulsory B 6.5) shall be conducted by the respective institution, but the marks awarded shall be entered in the university marks card.
- 7.9 The institutions offering B.ASLP program are free to design the curriculum of the minor (optional) courses. The minor (optional) can be one or more of the following:
- a) Developmental Pediatrics
 - b) Genetics
 - c) Counseling and Guidance
 - d) Basics of Sign Language
 - e) CBR
 - f) Dysphagia
 - g) Auditory Habilitation
 - h) Vestibular Disorders
 - i) Disability Certification
 - j) ASLP in Practice
 - k) AAC
 - l) Telerehabilitation

8.0 Criteria for Passing

The student is required to obtain a minimum of 50% in each of the theory papers, internal assessment, practical and clinical exams for a pass. Students will not be able to appear for University exams if they do not pass in their practical or internal assessment component, or clinical examination.

8.1 Carry-over of Papers

- a) Carryover of papers shall be as per the policy of the University.
- b) Students shall pass the clinical examination of the given semester to proceed to the next semester.

9.0 Clinical Internship

- 9.1 All candidates shall complete a clinical internship of one academic year (10 months) after the 6th semester provided they have passed in all the examinations up to and including 5th semester.
- 9.2 Such of those students who have started their clinical internship, but later are found to have failed in some examination of the 6th semester shall discontinue clinical internship. They can continue their internship only after they pass all the courses in which they have failed. However, the duration of clinical internship completed before they discontinue shall be considered and counted when they resume their clinical internship.
- 9.3 The rules and regulations of clinical internship shall be as in Annexure 2.

10.0 Infrastructure for Starting the Course

Only those institutions which have the infrastructure as given in Annexure 3 can start B.ASLP program after due formalities.

11.0 Award of Degree

The University shall award the degree and issue certificate only after the candidates successfully complete all the University examinations and clinical internship.

12.0 Others

- 12.1 **Certification as a Registered Professional:** The successful students will be registered as an Audiologist and Speech-Language Pathologist in the Central Rehabilitation Register of the Rehabilitation Council of India. The training institution/organization should ensure that all passed out students are registered with the Council.
- 12.2 On all other issues not mentioned in these rules and regulations like the pattern of question paper, grading, award of grace marks, and declaration of rank, among others, the rules and regulations of the respective university shall prevail.

Course Content : 4-year B.ASLP Program

Semester 1

B1.1 M : Introduction to Speech-language Pathology

Hours 45

Marks 75 : Credits 3

Objectives: After completing this course, the student will

- a) have the basic concepts of speech, language and communication, and the relationship between them
- b) know the physical, biological, social, psychological and linguistic bases of speech
- c) will be able to trace out the stages of normal development of speech and language,
- d) will have the basic skills of assessment and evaluation of speech, language and swallowing disorders, and
- e) know the nature and scope of the field of speech-language pathology.

Unit 1: Introduction to Speech-language Pathology

- a) History and development of speech-language pathology in Indian and Global context.
- b) Definition and functions of speech, language, communication, and their components
- c) Basic models of speech communication: Speech and hearing as a servo system, Shannon-Weaver model, Lasswell model, and Berlo model
- d) Speech chain and Speech as an overlaid function
- e) Bases of speech and language – anatomical, physiological, neurological, physical, aerodynamic, linguistic, psychological, socio-cultural and genetic
- f) Introduction to Speech-Language Disorders
- g) Incidence and prevalence of speech and language disorders
- h) Definition and descriptions of delay, deviancy, and disorders; impairment, disability and handicap

Unit 2: Normal Development of Speech-language and Basics of Management

- a) Development of speech-language
- b) Pre-requisites and factors affecting speech-language development
- c) Basic concepts and terminologies in speech therapeutics
- d) General principles of speech and language therapy
- e) Individual and group therapy
- f) Approaches to speech-language therapy – formal, informal, and eclectic approaches
- g) Planning for speech and language therapy – goals, steps, procedures, and activities
- h) Importance of reinforcement principles and strategies in speech and language therapy, types and schedules of rewards and punishment

Unit 3: Assessment and Management of Speech-language and Swallowing Disorders

- a) Causes of speech-language disorders

- b) Speech disorders - Fluency disorders, Voice disorders, Phonological disorders,
- c) Feeding and swallowing disorders
- d) Overview of assessment procedures for voice disorders; articulation and phonological disorders; and fluency disorders
- e) Overview of management procedures for voice disorders; articulation and phonological disorders; and fluency disorders
- f) Basic concepts in assessment and management of swallowing disorders

Unit 4: Assessment and Management of Language Disorders

- a) Types, characteristics and classification of language disorders
- b) Causes of language disorders
- c) Overview of assessment procedures for child language disorders; adult language disorders; and neurogenic language disorders
- d) Overview of management procedures for child language disorders; adult language disorders; and neurogenic language disorders
- e) Issues related to bi/multilingualism
- f) Early identification and prevention of speech and language disorders

Unit 5: Speech-language Pathology as a Profession

- a) Professional code of conduct – social, cultural and other ethical issues
- b) Interdisciplinary nature and scope of practice in speech-language pathology
- c) Documentation of diagnostic, therapeutic and referral reports
- d) Evaluation of therapy outcome and follow up
- e) Evidence-based practice
- f) Community-based rehabilitation
- g) Role of itinerant speech therapist, Anganwadis, and resource teachers
- h) Facilities and concessions available for speech and hearing disabled

Recommended Reading

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- b) Hegde, M. N., & Davis, D. (2005). Clinical methods and practicum in speech-language pathology (4th ed.). Australia; Clifton Park, NY: Thomson Delmar Learning.
- c) Hult, L.M., Marle, R., Kathleen, R. H., & Fowey (2010). Born to Talk. Pearson Communication Science and Disorders Series 5th Ed.
- d) Owens, Jr, Kimberly, A. Metz, F.E. (2014). 5th Ed. Introduction to Communication Disorders: A life span based Perspective. Pearson Communication Science and Disorders Series.
- e) Roth, F. P., & Worthington, C. K. (2005). Treatment resource manual for speech language pathology (3rd ed.). Australia; Clifton Park, NY: Thomson Delmar Learning.
- f) S R Savithri, (2019) Introduction to Communication Sciences, Nova Science Publishers.
- g) Shipley, K. G., & McAfee, J. G. (2004). Assessment in speech-language pathology: A resource manual (3rd ed.). Australia; Clifton Park, NY: Delmar Learning.

- h) Shipley, K. G., & Roseberry-McKibbin, C. (2006). Interviewing and counselling in communicative disorders : Principles and procedures (3rd ed.). Austin, Tex: Pro-Ed.
- i) Ysseldyke, J. E., & Algozzine, R. (2006). Teaching students with communication disorders : A practical guide for every teacher. Thousand Oaks, Calif.: Corwin Press.

B1.2 M : Introduction to Audiology

Hours 45

Marks 75 : Credits 3

Objectives: After completing this course, the student will be able to

- a) describe the basic concepts of hearing sensitivity and acoustics
- b) describe the characteristics and causes for different types of hearing loss
- c) take case history, administer and interpret tuning fork tests
- d) carry out pure tone and speech audiometry on clinical population
- e) carryout subjective calibration and daily listening checks of the audiometer, and
- f) explain the theoretical basis of objective calibration of audiometers

Unit 1: Historical Aspects of Audiology and Scope of Audiology

- a) History of Audiology, development of instrumentation in audiology
- b) Development of the field of audiology: Indian and global context
- c) Branches of audiology and scope of audiology
- d) Multidisciplinary inputs to audiology

Unit 2: Normal Aspects of Hearing

- a) Sound intensity and concept of decibel; Acoustic energy and power, absolute and relative units – importance of reference: Sound intensity and intensity levels – absolute and relative measurements: Bel – decibels and its application: relationship between intensity and pressure
- b) Audibility and hearing: Hearing range – intensity and frequency: Minimum audible pressure and field: Estimation of minimum audible levels: Missing six dB: Reference equivalent threshold sound pressure levels and hearing levels: Sensation levels, threshold of pain, most comfortable levels
- c) Differential sensitivity: Concept of just noticeable difference and its applications: Intensity, frequency and duration discrimination: Magnitude estimation and production: Loudness – equal loudness level contours and its application: Scales of pitch and loudness scales

Unit 3: Hearing Loss

- a) Hearing loss and related terminologies
- b) Classification of hearing loss: conductive, sensori-neural, mixed and central
- c) Characteristics of different types of hearing loss
- d) Causes of different types of hearing loss: Adult and children: Congenital and acquired: Pre-natal, natal and post-natal causes: Genetic and environmental causes

Unit 3: Case History and Tuning Fork Tests

- a) Importance of case history taking in audiology practice
- b) Essential factors to be included in case history for adults and children
- c) Interpretation of case history information

- d) Principles, procedure, interpretation, advantages and disadvantages of different tuning fork tests – Rinne, Schwabach, Weber and Bing tests
- e) Audiometric version of Weber and Bing test

Unit 4: Pure Tone Audiometry

- a) Classification of audiometers, Parts of an audiometer, characteristics and specifications of transducers used (earphones, bone vibrators, loud speakers)
- b) Audiogram- concept and symbols used
- c) Clinical method of threshold estimation
- d) Factors affecting air conduction threshold
- e) Bone conduction thresholds- measurements, factors effecting; SAL.
- f) Permissible noise levels in the audiometric room

Unit 5: Speech Audiometry

- a) Terminology, need for speech audiometry and types of stimuli used in speech audiometry, Test materials available in Indian languages
- b) Speech reception thresholds – procedures and application
- c) Word recognition scores –procedure and applications
- d) Other measures of speech audiometry: Speech detection threshold, most comfortable level, uncomfortable level,
- e) PIPB function – procedure and applications
- f) Factors affecting speech audiometry, Bone conduction speech audiometry

Recommended reading

- a) Speaks, C. E. (2017). Introduction to Sound: Acoustics for the Hearing and Speech Sciences (4th Edition). Plural Publishing Inc.
- b) Martin, F. N., & Clark, J. G. (2018). Introduction to Audiology. 13th Edition. Boston: Pearson.
- c) Gelfand, S. A. (2017). Hearing: An Introduction to Psychological and Physiological Acoustics (6th edition.). London: CRC Press.
- d) Durrant, J. D., & Feth, L. L. (2012). Hearing Sciences: A Foundational Approach (1 Edition.). Boston: Pearson.
- e) Katz, J. (2014). Handbook of Clinical Audiology (7th International edition.). Lippincott Williams and Wilkins.
- f) Silman, S., & Silverman, C. A. (1997). Auditory Diagnosis: Principles and Applications (Reissue Edition.). San Diego: Singular Publishing Group
- g) Stach, B. A. (2021). Clinical Audiology: An Introduction (3rd Edition). Plural Publishing Inc.
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B1.3 MC : Anatomy and Physiology of Speech & Swallowing

Hours 30

Marks 75: Credits 2

Objectives: After completing this course, the student will be able to

- a) describe the embryonic development of structures subserving speech and swallowing
- b) describe the anatomy of the structures involved in speech production
- c) describe the process of speech production including voice, and the underlying mechanism including neural control,
- d) explain the anatomy and physiology of swallowing mechanism

Unit 1: Introduction

- a) Anatomical terms, positions, and planes of reference
- b) Cells and tissues of the body
- c) Basic terminology related to embryology
- d) Development of larynx and respiratory structures
- e) Development of structures in the oral cavity

Unit 2: Anatomy of Speech Production

- a) Anatomy of respiratory structures including larynx
- b) Structure of articulators in the oral cavity
- c) Structures of the resonatory mechanism
- d) Neural structures subserving speech production

Unit 3: Physiology of Speech Production

- a) Breathing, speech-breathing, and posture
- b) Role of larynx in voice-speech production
- c) Mechanism of phonation
- d) Mechanism of production of speech sounds
- e) Resonatory mechanisms and their contribution to speech

Unit 4: Anatomy and Physiology of Swallowing

- a) Structure of the oral cavity for swallowing
- b) Anatomy of pharynx and esophagus
- c) Stages and processes of swallowing

Unit 5: Disorders of Speech and Swallowing

- a) Five examples of embryonic anomalies affecting speech and language
- b) Speech disorders: fluency disorders, voice disorders, articulatory and resonatory disorders
- c) Feeding and swallowing disorders

Recommended Reading

- a) Bernard Rousseau., & Ryan C. Branski. (2018). Anatomy and Physiology of Speech and Hearing. Thieme Medical Publishers, Inc. New York.
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- d) Hixon, T J., Weismer G & Hoit J D (2020). Pre-clinical speech science – Anatomy, Physiology, Acoustics and Perception (3rd edition). Plural Publishing
- e) Hoit, J D., & Weismer G. (2017). Foundations of speech and hearing: anatomy and physiology. Plural Publishing, Inc,
- f) Kelley, M., Wu, D., & Fay, R. R. (Eds.). (2010). Development of the Inner Ear. New York: Springer.
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- h) Zemlin, W. R. (2010). Speech and Hearing Science: Anatomy and Physiology: . International Edition (4 edition.). Boston: Pearson.

B1.4 MC : Anatomy and Physiology of Hearing

Hours 30

Marks 75 : Credits 2

Objectives: After completing this course, the student will be able to

- a) understand the evolution and anatomy of the auditory system including neural supply
- b) describe the anatomy and functioning of external ear
- c) describe the anatomy and functioning of middle ear system
- d) describe the anatomy and functioning of labyrinth
- e) describe the functional anatomy of the central auditory pathway

Unit 1: Introduction to general anatomy and embryology

- a) General anatomical terms
- b) Development of external
- c) Development of middle ear
- d) Development of inner ear
- e) Five examples of embryonic anomalies affecting auditory system

Unit 2: Anatomy and physiology of External ear

- a) Anatomy of pinna and external auditory canal
- b) Auditory and non-auditory functions of external ear including localization
- c) Head shadow effect, inter-aural intensity and time differences
- d) Brief anatomy of the temporal bone

Unit 3: Anatomy and physiology of middle ear

- a) Anatomy of middle ear including tympanic membrane
- b) Auditory and non-auditory functions of the middle ear
- c) Middle ear transformer action
- e) Anatomy and physiology of Eustachian tube

Unit 4: Anatomy and physiology of labyrinth

- a) Anatomy of the bony and membranous labyrinth
- b) Micro and macro anatomy of cochlea
- c) Innervations and blood supply to cochlea
- d) Physiology of cochlea
- e) Electrical potentials of the cochlea
- f) Hearing through bone conduction
- g) Overview to physiology of balancing mechanisms

Unit 5: Auditory Nerve and Central auditory pathway

- a) Anatomy and Physiology of the Auditory nerve
- a) Functional anatomy of the central auditory pathway and its physiology

Recommended Reading

- a) Seikel, J. A., King, D. W., & Drumright, D. G., & Hudock D. J. (2019). *Anatomy & Physiology of Speech, Language, and Hearing* (6th edition). Plural publishing, Inc. NY.
- b) Zemlin, W. R. (2010). *Speech and Hearing Science: Anatomy and Physiology: International Edition* (4 edition.). Boston: Pearson.
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B1.5 M : Practicals: Speech-language Pathology

Hours 30

Marks 50 : Credits 1

The objectives of the course are to provide skills to

- a) identify normal speech and language development
- b) list various parameters of speech and language skills
- c) gather case history, and conduct oral peripheral examination
- d) differentiate normal versus disordered speech and language skills in children and adults
- e) list strategies/tools for assessment and techniques for therapy to facilitate speech and language skills in children and adults

Perform

- a) List the available clinical facilities and clinical activities of the department/institute.
- b) List the sources of referral for speech and language disorders (to and from the department).
- c) List various public education materials/ videos that are available in the department.
- d) List various assessment materials available for the evaluation of speech-language disorders.
- e) Prepare a chart and show the developmental stages of speech and language behavior.
- f) Compile the normative data available in Indian languages with reference to speech sound acquisition
- g) Prepare a report on the available clinical facilities and clinical activities of your institute.
- h) Use IPA to transcribe spoken language sample. Standard passage may be used. Identify the number of phonemes and syllables in a list of words/passage.
- i) Record a speech sample and analyse the parameters (voice, articulation, fluency, stress, rhythm, resonance).
- j) Record a neurotypical child's language sample and analyse various parameters of language.
- k) Measure the following: Habitual frequency, Frequency range, Intensity, Intensity range, Phonation duration, Rate of speech, Alternate Motion Rates, Sequential Motion Rates, s/z ratio.
- l) List the available test material in the clinic for assessing various parameters of speech and language. Familiarize with three commonly used language test materials at the institute – Ex: Assessment of Language Development, ComDEALL Developmental Checklist (CDDC), Language Assessment Tool (LAT). Administer on one typically developing child and one child with language disorder.
- m) List and demonstrate components of case history for communication disorders.
- n) Perform oral mechanism examination on two neurotypical children and adults.
- o) Perceptual analysis of speech parameters in persons with communication disorders – fluency, articulation, voice (3 adults, 3 children).
- q) Prepare the following reports for various speech and language disorders: diagnostic report, baseline report, lesson plan, progress report, and discharge report.
- r) List the commonly used speech language stimulation techniques and perform a role play.

- s) List reinforcement strategies. Prepare some reinforcers that can be used in diagnostics or therapy
- t) Prepare a list of sources of referrals and a response letter to the referral source.
- u) Prepare diagnostic & therapy kits and a checklist for parent counseling.
- v) Observe the assessment and counseling of different speech and language disorders in children and adults.
- w) Observe the speech and language therapy of different speech and language disorders in children and adults.
- x) Observe the use of various software and instruments used for the assessment and management of speech and language disorders.
- y) Document ICF classification of various speech-language disorders.
- z) Document DSM V and ICD 11 classification of various speech-language disorders.

B1.6 M : Practicals – Audiology

Hours 30

Marks 50 : Credits 1

1. Daily listening check and trouble shoot of different clinical audiometers
2. Preparation of correction factor chart after biological calibration on individuals with normal hearing
3. Getting familiar with different clinical audiometers, parts of audiometers and their functions
4. Familiarization with different types of transducers – earphones/ear cushion combination, speakers, insert earphones, bone vibrators
5. Appropriate placement of various transducers on clients during Audiometry including masking
6. Get familiar with instructions for carrying out pure tone audiometry, Speech audiometry and masking in 5 different languages at least
7. Familiarization with different types of stimuli used in audiometry
8. Establishment of PT thresholds (AC & BC) using ascending, descending and modified Hughson Westlake procedures in 5 individuals with normal hearing
9. Estimation of bone conduction threshold with forehead and mastoid placements in 5 individuals with normal hearing
10. Familiarization with different symbols used on audiogram for unmasked and masked AC, BC, SRT, and SIS for different transducers for right and left ear.
11. Familiarization with materials used for speech audiometry in different Indian languages and English for adults and children
12. To observe the counselling before and after audiological testing
13. Establishing UCL, MCL, DR, SRT, SDT & SIS on 5 individuals with normal hearing
14. Administration of clinical masking on 5 individuals with normal hearing
15. Familiarization with different equipment used for objective calibration of audiometers
16. Observation of objective calibration procedure for audiometers as per standards
17. Administration of SAL and Rainville on 5 individuals with normal hearing

Semester 2

B2.1 M : Fluency and its Disorders

Hours 75 (45 + 30)

Marks 100 : Credits 4 (3 + 1)

Objectives: After completing the course, the students will be able to

- a) identify the normal aspects of fluency, its variability, and factors influencing its development,
- b) describe the terminologies, classification and characteristics of stuttering and other fluency disorders,
- c) assess fluency and dysfluency, and differentiate different variations of fluency disorders (stuttering, neurogenic stuttering, cluttering),
- d) plan and serve management strategies for persons with fluency disorders,
- e) plan strategies and aspects to prevent development and relapse of stuttering, and
- f) counsel persons affected as well as their family members.

Unit 1: Fluency

- a) Definition of fluency and dimensions of fluency
- b) Factors influencing fluency of speech
- c) Definition and characteristics of suprasegmentals in speech
- d) Development of fluency and its components
- e) Variables affecting development of fluency
- f) Typical disfluency, characteristics

Unit 2: Stuttering and Other Fluency Disorders

- a) Developmental stuttering – Definition, core and secondary characteristics, attitudes and anxiety issues in adults and children who stutter:
 - Development of stuttering: from onset to adulthood (Bloodstein's phases, VanRiper's tracks, Conture's classification, Guitar's classification)
- b) Nature of stuttering- prevalence and incidence, gender ratio, variability, recovery, fluency inducing conditions, adaptation effect, multilingual issues
- c) Cause(s) of stuttering – introduction to theories of stuttering
 - Learning and Psychological theories: Diagnosogenic theory, Classical and operant conditioning, Personal Construct Theory, Anticipatory Struggle Hypothesis, Breakdown Hypothesis, Repressed Need Hypothesis
 - Organic Theories: Cerebral dominance, Genetic basis of Stuttering
 - Speech Motor Control Theories: Zimmerman's Model, Cyber kinetic or servo system Model, Interhemispheric inference Model, The variability Model, DIVA and GODIVA Model
 - Psycholinguistic Theories: Covert Repair hypothesis, EXPLAN theory, Fault-line Hypothesis

- Multifactorial Models: Demands–capacities model, Neurophysiological Model, CALMS Model, Communication–Emotional model, Dual-diathesis stressor Model
- d) Acquired stuttering (neurogenic stuttering, psychogenic stuttering), Cluttering

Unit 3: Assessment and Differential Diagnosis of Fluency Disorders

- a) Case History for Preschool, School-age, adolescents, and adults
 - Speech sample recording
 - Speech sample transcription
- b) Assessment of core and secondary behaviours
 - Tools for quantification of core and secondary behaviours
 - Assessment of Speech naturalness
 - Assessment of feelings and attitudes accompanying stuttering
 - Assessment of the impact of stuttering
- c) Closing interview
- d) Differential diagnosis of fluency disorders (stuttering, cluttering, neurogenic stuttering and typical dysfluency)
- e) Mobile applications related to assessment of stuttering

Unit 4: Management of stuttering

- a) Counselling, Prevention and early identification of stuttering
- b) Management of stuttering – approaches and rationale
- c) Management of Children with stuttering: preschool and school-age children (Direct vs. Indirect Approaches)
 - Indirect approaches (Parent-child interaction Therapy)
 - Direct Approaches (LIDCOMBE Program, Westmead Program, Response Cost, RESTART-DCM)
 - Evidence in Indian context
 - Analogies
- d) Management of Adults with stuttering: Treatment goals
 - Fluency shaping vs stuttering modification approaches
 - Fluency shaping
 - Prolonged Speech
 - Shadowing
 - Habit rehearsal Techniques
 - Light Articulatory Contact
 - Flow and Slow Method / Modified airflow Technique
 - Comprehensive Stuttering Program
 - Camperdown Program
 - Successful Stuttering Management Program
 - Cognitive Behavior Therapy
 - Group therapy
 - Measurement of therapy progress and naturalness rating
- e) Issues of speech naturalness in stuttering
- f) Relapse and recovery from stuttering

- g) Instrumental approaches for the management of stuttering: DAF, mobile applications related to management of stuttering

Unit 5: Management of Fluency-related Entities

- a) Management of stuttering - its rationale, techniques and strategies in
- Children with stuttering
 - Adults with stuttering
 - Neurogenic stuttering
 - Cluttering
- b) Relapse and recovery in neurogenic stuttering and cluttering
- c) Counselling,
- d) Prevention and early identification of stuttering and cluttering

Recommended Reading

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Practicum

- a) Assess the dimensions of fluency and rate of speech in 5 normal adults.
- b) Record and analyse suprasegmental features in typically developing children between 2 and 5 years.
- c) Record audio visual sample of 5 typically developing children for fluency analysis.
- d) Record audio visual sample of 5 typical adults for fluency analysis.
- e) Listen/see samples of normal non fluency and stuttering in children and document the differences.
- f) Identify the types of dysfluencies/secondary behaviours in the recorded samples of adults with stuttering.
- g) Administer SPI on 3 typically developing & 2 children with stuttering.
- h) Administer CALMS rating scale on 3 typically developing & 2 children with stuttering.
- i) Administer SSI 5 typically developing children.
- j) Administer SSI on 5 adults with normal fluency.

- k) Administer OASES – S on 5 children.
- l) Administer OASES – A on 5 adults with normal fluency.
- m) Administer naturalness rating scale on 5 adults with normal fluency and 3 recorded samples of stuttering
- n) Instruct and demonstrate the following techniques: Airflow, prolongation, easy onset and shadowing techniques.
- o) Record 5 speech samples with various delays in auditory feedback and analyse the differences.

B2.2 M : Diagnostic Audiology- Basic

Hours 75 (45 + 30)

Marks 100 : Credits 4

Objectives: After completing this course, the student will be able to

- a) explain masking and carryout audiometry with masking
- b) carryout subjective calibration and daily listening checks of the audiometer,
- c) explain the theoretical basis of objective calibration of audiometers
- d) apply appropriate test battery of behavioural tests to differentially diagnose cochlear and retrocochlear pathology,
- e) apply appropriate test battery of behavioural tests to identify functional hearing loss
- f) explain the origin of otoacoustic emissions and record the same in adults and children

Unit 1: Clinical Masking & Calibration

- a) Purpose and rationale of clinical masking: Interaural attenuation and factors affecting interaural attenuation,
- b) Different types of stimulus employed in clinical masking, minimum and maximum masking level for masking
- c) Different procedures for masking during pure tone audiometry, speech audiometry
- d) Definition and purpose of calibration, Daily listening checks and subjective calibration
- e) Objective calibration of intensity through different transducers (air conduction, bone conduction, sound field)
- f) Objective calibration of frequency and distortion

Unit 2: Introduction to Diagnostic Audiology

- a) Concept of clinical decision analysis (sensitivity, specificity, true positive, true negative, false positive, false negative and hit rate)
- b) Screening tests for hearing loss, difference between screening and diagnostic test
- c) Characteristics of a good diagnostic test: behavioural and physiological,
- d) Need for test battery approach in auditory diagnosis and integration of the audiological tests results, Cross-check principle
- e) Communicating results of screening and diagnostic tests to clients/caretakers and making appropriate referrals

Unit 3: Behavioural Tests to Diagnose Cochlear Pathology and Retro-cochlear Pathology

- a) Behavioral and Clinical indications for cochlear pathology, retro-cochlear pathology,
- b) Physiological bases of recruitment/softness imperception and adaptation,
- c) Behavioural tests of recruitment/softness imperception: ABLB, MLB, dynamic range
- d) Tests of adaptation, SISI
- e) PIPB function, Brief tone audiometry, Bekesy audiometry
- f) Test to identify dead regions of cochlea.

Unit 4: Behavioural Tests to Diagnose Cochlear Pathology, Retro-Cochlear Pathology, Functional Hearing Loss

- a) Behavioural and clinical indicators of functional hearing loss
- b) Pure tone tests including tone in noise test, Stenger test, Bekesy audiometry, Brief tone audiometry, pure tone DAF
- c) Speech tests including Lombard test, Stenger test, lip-reading test, Doerfler-Stewart test, Low level PB word test, Yes-No test, DAF test
- d) Identification of functional hearing loss in children: Swinging story test, Pulse tone methods
- e) Counselling clients with functional hearing loss

Unit 5: Otoacoustic Emissions

- a) Origin and classification of OAEs
- b) Principle of instrumentation used for recording OAEs
- c) Recording and interpretation of OAEs: SOAE, TEOAEs, and DPOAEs
- d) Clinical applications of OAEs: SOAE, TEOAEs, and DPOAEs
- e) Contralateral suppression of OAEs and its clinical implications

Recommended Reading

- a) DeRuiter, M. & Ramachandran, V. (2016). Basic Audiometry Learning Manual (3rd edition). Plural Publishing, Inc.
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- g) Oeding, K.A.M., Listenberger, J., Smith, S. (2016). The Audiogram Workbook. Thieme.
- h) Stach, B.A., & Ramchandran, V. (2021). Clinical Audiology: An Introduction. (3rd edition). Plural Publishing, Inc.
- i) Valente, M., & Valente, L.M. (2020). Adult Audiology Casebook (2nd edition). Thieme.

Practicum

- a) Carry out clinical masking on 10 normal hearing individuals with simulated conductive hearing loss and carry out clinical masking on 5 individuals with conductive hearing loss and 5 individuals with sensorineural hearing loss.
- b) Carryout daily listening checks and subjective calibrations 20 times and observe objective calibration once
- c) Administer ABLB, MLB and prepare ladder gram (ABLB to be administered by blocking one ear with impression material)
- d) Administer classical SISI on 3 individuals and note down the scores

- e) Administer tone decay tests (classical and its modifications) and note down the results (at least 3 individuals)
- f) Administer Bekesy audiometry
- g) Administer Brief tone audiometry
- h) Plot PIPB function using standardized lists in any 5 individuals
- i) Administer the tests of functional hearing loss (both tone based and speech based) by asking subject to malingering and having a yardstick of loudness.
- j) Record TEOAEs and note down the amplitude, SNR, noise floor and reproducibility at octave and mid-octave frequencies. Note down the stimulus stability and the overall SNR (10 ears).
- k) Record DPOAEs and note down the amplitude, SNR, noise floor and reproducibility at octave and mid-octave frequencies (10 ears).

B2.3 MC : Linguistics and Phonetics

Hours 45

Marks 75 : Credits 3

Objectives: After completing this course, the student will be able to understand

- a) different branches and aspects of linguistics
- b) characteristics and functions of language
- c) different branches of phonetics, applied linguistics, and phonology
- d) morphology, syntax, semantics, pragmatics
- e) acquisition of language and factors affecting it, and
- f) bi/multilingualism and related issues

Unit 1: Introduction to Linguistics

- a) Different branches of linguistics: Applied linguistics, sociolinguistics, psycholinguistics, neurolinguistics and clinical linguistics
- b) Language characteristics and functions. Difference between animal communication systems and human language
- c) Morphology – concepts of morph, allomorph, morpheme, bound free and compound forms, roots etc. Processes of word formation: Content and function words
- d) Endocentric and exocentric constructions,
- e) Inflection and derivation, paradigmatic and syntagmatic relationship
- f) Concepts in linguistics: Competence vs. performance: Langue vs. parole etc.

Unit 2: Phonetics and Phonology

- a) Introduction to phonetics: Articulatory, acoustic, and auditory phonetic
- b) Articulatory classification of sounds – segmental and supra-segmental. Classification description and recognition of vowels and consonants
- c) Transcription systems with special emphasis on IPA.
- d) Introduction to phonology, classification of speech sounds on the basis of distinctive features
- e) Phonotactics: Phonotactic patterns of English and Indian languages
- f) Phonemic analysis – principles and practices
- g) Phonological processes

Unit 3: Morphology, syntax, semantics and applied linguistics

- a) Morphology – concepts of morph, allomorph, morpheme, roots, compound forms - endocentric and exocentric constructions, free and bound morphemes, morphemic analysis - inflection and derivation,
- b) Syntax – concepts of phrases and clauses, sentence and its types,
- c) Different methods of syntactic analysis – Immediate constituent analysis, Phrase structure, grammar, transformational generative grammar– deep structure versus surface structure, acceptability versus grammaticality.

- d) Introduction to the major types of transformations
- e) Processes of word formation: Content and function words,
- f) Semantics, semantic relations, semantic feature theory
- g) Pragmatics and discourse

Unit 4: Language acquisition

- a) Issues in first language acquisition: Pre-linguistic stages, linguistic stages
- b) Acquisition of phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics, and pragmatics
- c) Language and cognition
- d) Applied linguistics with special reference to communication disorders
- e) Usefulness of morphemic and syntactic analysis in planning speech-language therapy

Unit 5: Bi/multilingualism

- a) Introduction to the language families of India
- b) Issues related to second language acquisition and factors influencing it
- c) Inter-language theory, language transfer and linguistic interference
- d) Differences between first and second language acquisition/learning
- e) Bilingualism/Multilingualism
- f) Indian writing systems

Recommended Reading

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- c) Ball, Rahilly & Tench (1996). *The phonetic transcription of disordered speech*. San Diego: Singular Publishing Group Inc.
- d) Berk, Laura E. (2009). *Language Development*. Boston: Pearson Education/Allyn & Bacon.
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- f) Foster-Cohen, S. (2009): *Language acquisition*. London: Palgrave Macmillan.
- g) Sousa. David, A. (2011). *Handbook of Bilingualism*. Oxford: Blackwell Publishing.
- h) Kennison. S. (2013). *Introduction to language development*. Los Angeles. CA: Sage.
- i) Shriberg & Kent (1982). *Clinical phonetics*. New York: John Wiley & Sons

B2.4 Otolaryngology

Hours 45

Marks 75 : Credits 3

Objectives: After completing this course, the student will be able to understand the

- a) identify the causes and signs/symptoms of different pathological conditions of the ear leading to hearing loss,
- b) understand the principles of management of diseases of pathological conditions of the ear leading to hearing loss,
- b) identify the causes and signs/symptoms of different pathological conditions of the laryngeal system leading to voice disorders.

Unit 1: External and Middle Ear and Their Disorders

- a) Clinical anatomy of external and middle ear
- b) Congenital anomalies of the ear
- c) Diseases of the external ear – tumors, perforation and ruptures of the tympanic membrane, and Eustachian tube dysfunction
- d) Otitis media with effusion
- e) Cholesteatoma and chronic suppurative otitis media
- f) Otosclerosis
- g) Trauma to the temporal bone
- h) Facial nerve and its disorder

Unit 2: Inner Ear and its Disorders

- a) Clinical anatomy of inner ear
- b) Congenital anomalies
- c) Meniere's Disorder
- d) Ototoxicity
- e) Presbycusis
- f) Disorders of the vestibular system including vestibular Schwannoma
- g) Tinnitus and medical line of treatment
- h) Overview of surgical techniques for restoration and preservation of hearing

Unit 3: Oral Cavity and its Disorders

- a) Anatomy and physiology of the oral cavity
- b) Malformation and inflammations of lip and oral cavity
- c) Benign, premalignant, and malignant tumors of the oral cavity
- d) Clinical anatomy and physiology of pharynx
- e) Inflammatory conditions of the pharynx, tonsils and adenoids
- f) Benign, premalignant, and malignant tumors of the pharynx

Unit 4: Larynx and its Disorders

- a) Clinical anatomy and physiology of larynx
- b) Clinical examination of larynx
- c) Stroboscopy - technique, procedure, interpretation and precautions
- d) Congenital laryngeal pathologies
- e) Inflammatory conditions of the larynx
- f) Benign and malignant tumors of the larynx
- g) Laryngectomy – overview of surgical procedure
- h) Phonosurgery and other voice restoration surgeries
- i) Airway management procedures

Unit 5: Esophagus and its Disorders

- a) Clinical anatomy and physiology of esophagus
- b) Clinical examination of esophagus
- c) Congenital anomalies of esophagus
- d) Inflammatory conditions of esophagus
- e) Benign and malignant tumors of esophagus
- f) Medical management of these pathological conditions

Recommended Reading

- a) Clarke, R. W. (2022). Diseases of the Ear, Nose & Throat in Children: An Introduction and Practical Guide. CRC Press.
- b) Dhingra, P. L. & Dhingra, S. (2017). Diseases of Ear, Nose and Throat (Seventh edition). Elsevier.
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B2.5 MO : Optional Minor - 1

Hours 15

Marks 50 : Credits 1

- a) Each participating institution can offer any of the following as minor optional. However, a course once offered cannot be repeated for the same batch.
- b) The institution itself can draw the syllabus for the course.
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| a) Developmental Pediatrics | b) Genetics |
| c) Counseling and Guidance | d) Basics of Sign Language |
| e) CBR | f) Dysphagia |
| g) Auditory Habilitation | h) Vestibular Disorders |
| i) Disability Certification | j) ASLP in Practice |
| k) AAC | l) Telerehabilitation |

B2.6 M : Clinicals in Speech-language Pathology

Hours 30+

Marks 75 : Credits 1

General Considerations

- 1) Clinical work should be primarily linked to the theory courses of the semester.
- 2) After completion of clinical postings in Audiology, the student will have the concept (Know), ability to apply (Knowhow), demonstrate in a clinical diary/log book (Show), and perform (Do) the following on clinical population. The students will be able to document observations made during clinical work.

Know

- a) study normative data (Indian / Western) relating to phonology, semantics, syntax, morphology, pragmatics, voice, articulation, fluency and prosody, and relate them to clinical population,
- b) record case history of a minimum of four affected persons and compare it with that of normal persons,
- c) transcribe speech samples and identify instances of deviance with reference to speech samples of normal persons,
- d) list various speech & language stimulation techniques with descriptions and illustrations,
- e) observe and learn evaluation/assessment process and counseling of at least three children and adults with fluency disorders,
- f) observe and document the results of assessment of speech fluency through standardized tests,
- g) record speech samples from persons with stuttering and identify stuttering instances and measure rate of speech,
- h) observe management / therapeutic procedures with children and adults with speech and language disorders.
- i) prepare a diagnostic and therapy kit for a person with stuttering or delayed speech-language development,
- j) familiarize with the basics of counseling procedures – client as well as parents.

Knowhow

- a) Count the number of phonemes and syllables and identify the class of words, phrases, syllable structure, and syntactic structure in a recorded standard passage (native language and English)
- b) Determine the speech and language skills of individuals with and without speech and language disorders and perceptually analyse the variations in these skills across age and gender.
- c) Differentiate the speech characteristics between normal non-fluency and developmental stuttering by observing audio-video samples.
- d) Differentiate the speech characteristics between developmental, neurogenic, and psychogenic stuttering by observing audio-video samples.

- e) Differentiate the speech characteristics between developmental stuttering and cluttering by observing audio-video samples.
- f) Use software/ applications/ instruments used for assessment and management of individuals with fluency disorders.

Show

- a) Perform transcription of recorded speech samples in native language and English.
- b) Demonstrate how to perform a detailed interview for individuals with fluency disorders.
- c) Analyze and document the core and secondary features of stuttering, adaptation effect and individual and situational variations in individuals with stuttering.
- d) Analyze and document the speech characteristics of individuals with cluttering.
- e) Demonstrate stress, intonation and variations in rate of speech and analyze perceptually variations in prosody in different recorded samples of typical individuals in different age and gender.
- f) Record audio-visual speech samples of children and adults with and without fluency disorders and analyze and compare dysfluencies, secondary behaviors (if any), rate of speech, articulatory rate.
- g) Diagnose cluttering using available screening/ diagnostic tool(s).
- h) Administer, interpret, and diagnose stuttering using standardized test material in children and adults.
- i) Administer 9-point speech naturalness rating scale on individuals with and without stuttering.
- j) Administer and interpret the results of quality-of-life questionnaire on individuals with fluency disorders.
- k) Record speech samples of individuals with and without fluency disorders and with delay in auditory feedback: analyze and compare the results.
- l) Demonstrate therapy techniques used for management of fluency disorders in children and adults.

Do

- a) Perform case history for children and adults with speech-language disorders.
- b) Prepare a diagnostic kit used for the assessment of speech-language disorders.
- c) Prepare a therapy kit used for speech-language therapy.

B2.7 M : Clinicals in Audiology

Hours 30+

Marks 75 : Credits 1

After completion of clinical postings in Audiology, the student will have the concept (Know), ability to apply (Knowhow), demonstrate in a clinical diary/log book (Show), and perform (Do) the following on clinical population.

Know

- a) Methods to calibrate audiometer.
- b) Materials commonly employed in speech audiometry.
- c) Calculation pure tone average, % of hearing loss, minimum and maximum masking levels.
- d) Different types of hearing loss and its common causes

Knowhow

- a) To obtain detailed case history from clients or parents/guardians.
- b) To carryout commonly used tuning fork tests.
- c) To administer pure tone audiometry including appropriate masking techniques on adults
- d) To administer tests to find out speech reception threshold, speech identification scores, most comfortable and uncomfortable levels on adults.

Show

- a) Plotting of audiograms with different degree and type with appropriate symbols – 2 audiograms per degree and type
- b) Detailed case history taken and its analysis
- c) Calculation degree, type and percentage of hearing loss on 5 sample conditions

Do

- a) Case history on at least 5 adults and 3 children with hearing disorders
 - b) Tuning fork test on at least 5 individuals with conductive and 5 individuals with sensori-neural hearing loss
 - c) Pure tone audiometry with appropriate masking on 5 individuals with conductive, 5 individuals SN hearing loss and 3 individuals with unilateral/asymmetric hearing loss
 - d) Speech audiometry on 5 individual with conductive, 5 individuals SN hearing loss and 3 individuals with unilateral/asymmetric hearing loss
- ✓ Internal evaluation shall be based on attendance, clinical diary, log book and learning conference.
- ✓ External evaluation: Spot test, OSCE, Record, Viva-voce, case work

Semester 3

B3.1 M : Child Language Disorders

Hours 75 (45 + 30)

Marks 100 : Credits 4 (3 + 1)

Objectives: After completing this course, the student will be able to

- a) explain the process of acquisition of language and factors that influence its development in children,
- b) identify and assess language delay and deviance in children,
- c) select appropriate strategies for intervention,
- d) counsel and provide guidance to parents/caregivers of children with language disorders, and
- e) initiate advocacy programs for children with language disorders

Unit 1 Bases of Language Acquisition and Development

- a) Theories of language acquisition in children - biological maturation, cognitive theories, linguistic theories, information processing theories, behavior theories, social interaction theories, pragmatic/ discourse theories
- b) Development of components of language from birth to two years (pre-linguistic/presymbolic to symbolic) Development of components of language during preschool period Development of components of language during early school age and beyond
- c) Language acquisition including bilinguals/ multilinguals - types (based on age, manner of acquisition, factors affecting language acquisition).
- d) Factors affecting language development in children including environmental factors like language environment and effects of neglect and abuse, socioeconomic status and biological factors like twins and multiple pregnancies, genetic factors etc.

Unit 2: Language Disorders and their Characteristics

- a) DSM 5 and ICD 10 classification of language disorders
- b) Definition, General characteristics, language characteristics, causes and co morbidities in the following conditions:
 - Hearing impairment
 - Intellectual disability
 - Syndromes associated with child language disorders - Down Syndrome, Fragile-X Syndrome, William's Syndrome, Klinefelter's Syndrome,
 - Autism Spectrum Disorders,
 - Specific language impairment/developmental language disorders, attention deficit hyperactive disorder
 - Acquired Childhood Aphasia
 - Learning disability

- Other developmental disabilities: deaf-blind, cerebral palsy and multiple disabilities.

Unit 3: Assessment of Children with Language Disorders

- Preliminary components of assessment: Case history, screening, evaluation of environmental, linguistic & cultural variables.
- Methods to assess children with language disorder: Formal versus informal assessment; types of assessment materials: assessment scales, observational checklists, developmental scales; standardization, reliability, validity, sensitivity and specificity of test materials.
- Informal assessment-pre-linguistic behavior, play, mother-child interaction, language sampling: planning and collecting representative sample; strategies to collecting language sample, audio-video recording, transcription
- Analysis of language sample: Specific to various components of language such as phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics and pragmatics.
- Test materials for assessing language skills in English and Indian language, Assessment of Language Development, 3D Language Assessment Test, Linguistic Profile Test, Com-DEALL checklist,
- Overview of tests used by psychologists for assessment of children with developmental delay and intellectual disability: e.g Madras Developmental Program Scale, Bayley's Scale for infant and toddler development and others
- Overview of tests used by psychologists/ developmental and behavioral pediatricians for assessment and diagnosis of children with autism spectrum disorder: Modified-Checklist for Assessment of Autism in Toddlers, Indian Scale for Assessment of Autism (ISAA), INCLLEN Diagnostic Tool, Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule (ADOS)
- Overview of tests used by psychologists/ Developmental & Behavioral pediatricians for children with ADHD - DSM 5 checklist, Connors Rating scales and others
- Overview of tests for assessment of language for children with Acquired childhood aphasia (CAAST),
- Overview of tests for assessment of language and literacy for children with learning disability (Early Reading skills, Early Literacy Screening Test, NIMH battery for assessment of Learning Disability and others). Dyslexia assessment for languages in India (DALI) and others
- Documenting assessment results: diagnostic report, summary report and referral report specific to disorder.
- Differential diagnosis of language disorders in children.

Unit 4: Management of Language Disorders in Children - I

- General principles and strategies of intervention in children with language impairment–purpose of intervention, basic approaches to language intervention (developmental or normative approach, functional approach).
- Choice of language for intervention, incorporating principles of multiculturalism into treatment activities.
- Overview of approaches and techniques of intervention for to address language disorders in children with different developmental disorders

- d) Description and steps involved in specific language intervention techniques: Incidental teaching, self-talk, parallel talk, expansion, extension, recasting, joint routines, joint book reading, whole language, modifying linguistic input, communicative temptations drill, modeling, Focused stimulation, vertical structuring, milieu teaching, Redundancy, chunking.

Unit 5: Management of Language Disorders in Children - II

- a) Overview of Augmentative and alternative communication–types (aided and unaided) and application in child language disorders.
- b) Importance of team approach – Functions of professional team members like medical/ surgical/ Physiotherapy/ Occupational therapy/ psychologists etc.
- c) Importance and role of caregivers and family in intervention
- d) Benefits, concessions and rights for children with language disorders
- e) Use of technology and tele-rehabilitation in language intervention

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Practicum

- a) Record mother-child interaction of one typically developing child each in the age range of 0-1, 1-2, 2-4, 4-6 and 6-8 years of age. Compare linguistically the outputs

from the mother and the child across the age groups. Make inferences on sociocultural influences in these interactions.

- b) Make a list of loan words in two familiar languages based on interaction with 10 typically developing children each in the age range of 2-4, 4-6, 6-8 and 8-10 years. Discuss the influence of bi-or multilingualism on vocabulary.
- c) Record a conversation and narration sample from 3 children, one child each who are in preschool, kindergarten, and primary school. Perform a language transcription and analyze for form, content and use.
- d) Administer 3D LAT, ALD, LPT, ComDEALL checklist on any 2 typically developing children.
- e) Draft a diagnostic report and referral letter for a child with language disorder.
- f) Demonstrate general language stimulation techniques and discuss the clinical application.
- g) Demonstrate specific language stimulation techniques with appropriate materials and discuss its clinical applications.
- h) Draft Subjective Objective Assessment Plan (SOAP) for a pre-recorded sample of a 45minute session of intervention for a child with language disorder.
- i) Draft a lesson plan for a child with language disorder.
- j) Draft a discharge summary report for a child with language disorder

Group work

- a) Record mother-child interaction of one typically developing child each in the age range of 0-1, 1-2, 2-4, 4-6 and 6-8 years of age. Compare linguistically the outputs from the mother and the child across the age groups. Make inferences on sociocultural influences in these interactions.
- b) Make a list of loan words in two familiar languages based on interaction with 10 typically developing children each in the age range of 2-4, 4-6, 6-8 and 8-10 years. Discuss the influence of bi-or multilingualism on vocabulary.
- c) Make a flier/ Powerpoint/ video for creating awareness on language disorders in children.

Individual work

- a) Record conversation and narration samples of 3 children (one child each from preschool, kindergarten, and primary school). Perform a language transcription and analyze for form, content and use.
- b) Take a detailed case history and administer 3D LAT or REELS, ComDEALL checklist and ALD or MTCDM or language test in regional language on one typically developing child in the age range of 1 to 3 years and draft a language assessment report.
- c) Take a detailed case history and administer LPT or ALD or language test in regional language on one typically developing child above the age of 3 years..
- d) Observe one complete language assessment of a child with language disorder/ deficit and draft a diagnostic report and referral letter for the child with language disorder.
- e) Demonstrate (in role play format) the specific language stimulation techniques (listed in theory paper) with appropriate materials and discuss its clinical applications.

- f) Draft Subjective Objective Assessment Plan (SOAP) for a pre-recorded sample of a 45minute session of intervention for a child with language disorder.
- g) Draft a therapy plan for a child with language disorder based on one detailed assessment report presented and discussed in class.
- h) Draft one discharge summary report for a child with language disorder based on one detailed assessment report presented and discussed in class.

B.3.2 M : Amplification Devices

Hours 75 (45 + 30)

Marks 100 : Credits 4 (3 + 1)

Objectives: After completing this course, students will be able to

- a) assess candidacy for hearing aids and counsel accordingly
- b) evaluate the listening needs and select appropriate hearing aid
- c) program digital hearing aids as per the listening needs of the client
- d) assess the benefit from the hearing aid using subjective and objective methods
- e) take ear impression and prepare appropriate earmold
- f) counsel the parents/care givers at all stages, and
- g) make appropriate selection of assistive listening devices and advise the clients

Unit 1: Types of Hearing Aids

- a) Historical development of hearing aids: A brief overview
- b) Review of basic elements of hearing aids: Microphone, Amplifier, Receiver/vibrator, Cords, Batteries.
- c) Classification and Types of hearing aids:
 - Body level, Ear level, RIC, ITC, CIC, IIC,
 - Binaural, pseudo binaural, monaural
 - Analog, Programmable, trimmer digital and digital hearing aids
 - CROS hearing aids
- d) Group amplification: hard wired, induction loop, FM, infrared
- e) Assistive listening devices

Unit 2: Technological Aspects in Hearing Aids

- a) Output limiting and issues related to them: peak clipping, compression
- b) Concept and use of compression in hearing aids: BILL, TILL, PILL, Wide Dynamic Range Compression, Syllabic Compression, Dual Compression
- c) Signal processing in hearing aids: Speech enhancing technology, Microphone directionality, Noise reduction algorithms
- d) Extended low frequency amplification, frequency lowering technology (transposition, compression).
- e) Digital wireless technologies & its application in hearing aids
- f) Recent advances in hearing aids

Unit 3: Electro-acoustic Measurements for Hearing Aids

- a) Need for Electro-acoustic measurements
- b) Instrumentation of electro-acoustic measurements, Environmental tests
- c) Purpose and Parameters to be considered: OSPL90, SSPL90, HFA SSPL90, Gain, Full on Gain, HFA Full on Gain, Reference test Gain, Basic Frequency Response, Total Harmonic distortion, Intermodulation Distortion, input Output functions, instrumentation, procedure,

- d) Variables affecting EAM, EAM of digital hearing aids
- e) National and International standards for hearing aids: BIS, IEC and ANSI

Unit 4: Selection and Programming of Hearing Aids

- a) Pre-selection factors
- b) Selecting linear and nonlinear digital hearing aids
- c) Hearing aid selection using prescriptive procedures
- d) Hearing aid selection using comparative procedures;
- e) Programming of hearing aids
- f) Over the counter hearing aids
- g) Care, maintenance and troubleshooting of hearing aids
- h) Counselling and orienting the hearing aid user and significant others

Unit 5: Mechano-acoustic Couplers (Ear moulds)

- a) Different types of earmold
- b) Procedure for making hard moulds and soft mould.
- c) Applications of laser and 3d-printing for ear moulds, UV curing methods.
- d) Special modifications in the ear moulds: Vents (diagonal and parallel), deep canal moulds, short canal, horns, Libby horn, reverse horn, acoustic modifier.
- e) Effects of mechano-acoustic couplers on the hearing aid output.

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Practicum

- a) Listen to the output of different types and classes of hearing aids (monaural, binaural, analog, digital hearing aids), in different settings.
- b) Troubleshoot hearing aids: Check the continuity of the receiver cord using multimeter, measure the voltage of different sized batteries using multi meter, Check voltage of batteries different types and sizes
- c) Carry out electroacoustic measurements of hearing aids
- d) Program the hearing aid for different configuration and degrees of hearing loss (at least 5 different audiograms) using different prescriptive formulae
- e) Program the hearing aid for different listening situations (at least 3 different situations)
- f) Vary the compression settings in a digital hearing aid and note down the differences in the output
- g) Observe assistive listening devices such as telephone amplifier, vibro-tactile alarms, note down the candidacy and their utility.
- h) Administer a questionnaire to assess hearing aid benefit on 2 persons using hearing aids.
- i) Carry out a role play activity of counseling a hearing aid user
- j) Take impression for the ear mold using different techniques, different methods and using different materials

B3.3 MC : Electronics and Acoustics

Hours 45

Marks 75 : Credits 3

Objectives: After completing this course, the student will be able to

- a) identify the types of power supply for clinics and biomedical instruments,
- b) understand the basic aspects of digital signal processing and speech processing,
- c) state the theoretical basis of acoustics required for audiologists,
- d) understand the basic aspects of information technology, and
- e) analyze the principles of working of major instruments used in assessment

Unit 1: Introduction to Electronics and Signals

- a) Basic principle of operation and working of
 - Variable resistors, digital potentiometers
 - Inductors, transformers
 - Amplifiers –concept of gain, Frequency response and bandwidth
- b) Power supply
 - DC power supply – block diagram description and working
 - AC power supply, earthing, isolation transformers
 - UPS
- c) Analog and digital signal
 - Decimal and Binary number system, conversion of decimal number to binary number, conversion of binary number to decimal number
 - Analog signal & digital signal–Representation and comparison
 - Converting analog signal to digital signal and digital to analog signal

Unit 2: Introduction to Acoustics

- a) Physics of Sound
 - Nature and Propagation of sound
 - Frequency, wavelength, amplitude, velocity
 - Sound pressure level
 - Loudness, Phon, equal loudness contour
- b) Sound propagation in closed rooms
 - Reflection, transmission and absorption, absorption coefficient
 - Reverberation, reverberation time, Sabine’s formula, techniques to reduce reverberation time
 - Sources of background noise in a room, speech to noise ratio
 - Acoustically treated rooms – Basic requirements, concept and structure of rooms for hearing testing and sound recording.
- c) Transducers
 - Microphones- moving coil, condenser, electret etc
 - Loudspeakers, headphones, receivers – moving coil and balanced armature

Unit 3: Basics of Sound Recording, Signal Representation and Digital Signal Processing

- a) Representation of sound signal and sound recording
 - Time domain
 - Frequency domain
 - Spectrogram
 - System and software for sound recording
- b) Fundamentals of digital signal processing (DSP)
 - Basic structure of a digital processing system
 - Analog signal processing vs. digital signal processing – Comparison, merits and demerits
 - Applications of DSP in communication sciences and disorder.
- c) Speech Processing
 - Time domain methods of speech processing
 - Frequency domain methods of speech processing

Unit 4: Introduction to Information Technology

- a) Computer hardware
 - Processor, mother board, hard disk, RAM
 - Specification of personal computers and laptops
- b) Software
 - Operating systems-Types, comparison and functioning
 - Application software used in Communication Sciences and disorder
 - Mobile Apps-concept & functioning
- c) Computer networking
 - Structure of internet and worldwide web
 - Local Area Network –structure and components
 - Tele diagnosis & Tele rehabilitation

Unit 5: Instrumentation in Speech and Hearing

- a) Common elements in instruments
 - Pre-amplifiers and Power amplifiers
 - Filters-role in signal processing, different types and their frequency response
- b) Principle of operation, technology of
 - Digital hearing aids
 - Group amplification and Assistive Listening Devices
 - Audiometers
 - Middle ear analyzers
 - Systems for speech and voice analysis
- c) Calibration of audiometers
 - Equipment for calibration – sound level meter, artificial ear, artificial mastoid, couplers
 - Equipment setup and procedure for output calibration of pure tone audiometer in AC and BC mode.

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B3.4 MC : Psychology for Speech and Hearing

Hours 45

Marks 75 : Credits 3

Objectives: After completing this course, the student will be able to

- a) explain the scope of clinical psychology and its significance for speech and hearing
- b) apply the concept of normality and abnormality to communication disorders
- c) describe the cognitive, motor, emotional and social development
- d) apply theories of learning and therapy techniques based on learning principles to communication problems
- e) understand the principles of neuropsychological assessment, and
- f) get exposed to the basics of counseling.

Unit 1: Introduction to Psychology and Clinical Psychology

- a) Introduction, definition, history, schools and branches of psychology.
- b) Introduction to clinical psychology: Scope and meaning
- c) Historical development: Modern clinical psychology
- d) Scope and role of clinical psychology in communication sciences and disorders
- e) Criteria of normality and abnormality
- f) Models of mental disorders: biological, psychological social models

Unit 2: Assessment Procedures in Clinical Psychology

- a) Case history and mental status examination - Summary of case history, diagnostic formulation and Diagnosis. Clinical interviewing. Clinical observation
- b) Introduction to psychological assessment and psychological testing – definition, differences and similarities.
- c) Types of psychological assessment.
- d) Assessment of cognitive and adaptive functions, personality: Behavioral and vocational assessment
- e) Classification of abnormal behavior: history, need and rationale of classification. Current classificatory system: DSM and ICD

Unit 3: Developmental psychology

- a) Child and developmental psychology: definition and scope: Meaning of growth, development and maturation: Principles and stages of development
- b) Motor development: definition, principles, importance: Stages in motor development - early motor development, development during later childhood and adolescence, decline with age: Handedness
- c) Cognitive development: Piaget's theory of cognitive development. Intelligence-evolutionary development of intelligence. Development of intelligence from early childhood to adolescence - decline with age.
- d) Emotional development - components of emotions, characteristics of emotional behaviors, Beginning and development of emotional behavior and patterns. Emotional changes through the life span.

- e) Social development - Definition of Social development, Socialization – meaning. Pattern of social development. Development and characteristic of social behavior and factors influencing it.

Unit 4: Principles of Learning and Behavior Modification

- a) Learning - definition and characteristics. Theories of learning: introduction, types - S-R theories, cognitive theories and mixed theories. Pavlov's classical conditioning.
- b) Basic principles of learning - acquisition of CR, Extinction of CR, second order and higher order conditioning, generalization and discrimination Additional principles - Experimental neurosis, counter conditioning and cerebral conditioning
- c) Skinner's operant conditioning – basics. Principles of operant conditioning - acquisition, elimination, maintenance of responses - operant generalization and discrimination. Factors influencing operant conditioning. Application of operant learning principles.
- d) Behavioral assessment and diagnosis – problem behavior assessment and skill behavior assessment.
- e) Therapeutic techniques based on learning principles. Skill behavior management. Problem behavior management

Unit 5: Neuropsychology and Counseling

- a) Neuropsychology – scope. Neuropsychological tests and assessment
- b) Neuropsychological management – theories and types of neuropsychological rehabilitation.
- c) Application of neuropsychology in the field of speech and hearing
- d) Counseling: Differences and similarities between guidance, counseling, and psychotherapy
- e) Types of counseling: directive, non-directive, and eclectic counseling
- f) Characteristics of a good counselor. Do's and don'ts in counseling

Recommended Reading

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B3.5 MO : Optional Minor 2

Hours 15

Marks 50 : Credits 1

- a) Each participating institution can offer any of the following as minor optional. However, a course once offered cannot be repeated for the same batch.
- b) The institution itself can draw the syllabus for the course.
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| a) Developmental Pediatrics | b) Genetics |
| c) Counseling and Guidance | d) Basics of Sign Language |
| e) CBR | f) Dysphagia |
| g) Auditory Habilitation | h) Vestibular Disorders |
| i) Disability Certification | j) ASLP in Practice |
| k) AAC | l) Telerehabilitation |

B 3.6 : Clinicals in Speech-language Pathology

Hours 90+

Marks 75 : Credits 3

General Considerations

- a) Clinical work should be primarily linked to the theory courses of the semester.
- b) After completion of clinical postings in Speech–language diagnostics, the student will have the concepts (know), ability to apply (know how), demonstrate skills (a clinical diary/logbook based on clinical reports/recordings) (show) and carry out the following on patients/client contact (do) the following:

Know

- a) Procedures to obtain a speech language sample for speech and language assessment from children of different age groups such as preschoolers, primary school and older age groups.
- b) Methods to examine the structures of the oral cavity/organs of speech.
- c) The tools to assess language impairment in children (with hearing impairment, specific language impairment, Intellectual disabilities, Autism Spectrum Disorders).
- d) Document test materials (Indian/ Western) used in the assessment of child language disorders.

Know-how

- a) To evaluate speech and language components using informal assessment methods.
- b) To administer at least two standard tests for childhood language disorders.
- c) Differentially diagnose SLI, ASD, ADHD, and IDD
- d) Evaluate speech and language characteristics of childhood aphasia using available test tools.

Show

- a) Demonstrate on how to perform a detailed interview of children with language disorders and their parents
- b) Evaluate the speech and language skills of children with delay in speech and language development using standardized test material.
- c) Diagnose ADHD and ASD using a standardized test tool.
- d) Diagnose learning disability using an available screening/ diagnostic tool.
- e) Demonstrate speech- language stimulation techniques and other approaches used for management of child language disorders and discuss its clinical applications.
- f) Use at least one evidence-based intervention approach/technique (including speech and language stimulation techniques) used for the treatment of children with language disorders in your therapy session and document the outcome.
- g) Record a conversation sample of toddler (2-3 years), preschool (3-5 years), and school-age (5-6 years) children. Perform a language transcription and analyse for form, content, and use.

- h) Record mother-child interaction of typically developing children of different age groups. Compare linguistically the outputs from mother and child across the age groups. Make inferences on the socio-cultural influences in these interactions.
- i) Make a list of loan words in 2 familiar languages based on interaction with typically developing children from 2 to 10 years. Discuss the influence of bilingualism or multilingualism on vocabulary.
- j) Assessment of pre-linguistic skills-minimum of two children

Do

- a) Case history-minimum of three children with speech and language disorders.
- b) Oral peripheral examination- minimum of three children
- c) Language evaluation report – minimum of three children
- d) Evaluate children and adults with fluency disorders using protocol at your department/ institute and document the same.
- e) Plan and take therapy for children and adult with fluency disorders.
- f) Plan and take therapy for children with language disorder.
- g) Plan and prepare a low tech AAC device for children with language disorder.

B 3.7 Clinicals in Audiology

Hours 90+

Marks 75 : Credits 3

General Consideration

- a) Clinical work should be primarily linked to the theory courses of the semester.
- b) After completion of clinical postings in Speech–language diagnostics, the student will have the concepts (know), ability to apply (know how), demonstrate skills (a clinical diary/logbook based on clinical reports/recordings) (show) and carry out the following on patients/client contact (do) the following:

Know

- a) Indications to administer special tests
- b) Protocols for screening and diagnostic otoacoustic emissions and their interpretation
- c) Characteristics of a good diagnostic and screening test
- d) Role of various tests in the test battery

Knowhow

- a) Administration of at least 1 test for adaptation, recruitment and functional hearing loss.
- b) Administration of speech audiometry using various test material in open set and closed set mode
- c) Knowledge to change protocol for OAE according to specific case

Show

- a) Ability/knowledge to perform tests for identifying recruitment and adaptation
- b) Skills to record and interpret OAE
- c) Skills to counsel clients with functional hearing loss, cochlear and retrocochlear pathology based on test findings

Do

- a) Tone decay test – 2 individuals with sensori-neural hearing loss
- b) Administer tests for recruitment SISI, ABLB, MLB on 2 individuals with sensorineural hearing loss
- c) Obtain PIPB function for 5 persons with normal hearing and 2 persons with hearing loss
- d) Administer tests of functional hearing loss, Stenger test, Lombard test, Doerfler Stewart test on 2 individuals
- e) Record OAEs (TEOAEs and DPOAEs) on 5 persons with normal hearing and 5 persons with hearing loss

Semester 4

B4.1 M: Structural Anomalies and Speech Sound Disorders

Hours 75(45 + 30)

Marks 100 : Credits 4 (3 + 1)

Objectives: After completing the course, the students would be able to

- a) trace out normal speech sound development and classify speech sound disorders.
- b) perform phonological analysis and assessment of speech sound disorders.
- c) plan intervention for individuals with speech sound disorders.
- d) identify the types of clefts, assess and manage speech sound errors and feeding difficulties in individuals with cleft lip and palate,
- e) identify the structural disorders of the tongue, jaws and explain their associated problems after glossectomy and mandibulectomy, and
- f) advise parents on feeding related issues in children with cleft lip and palate.

Unit 1: Speech Sound Development and its Disorders

- a) Speech sound acquisition, Phonology & theories of phonological development
- b) Fundamentals of articulatory phonetics – phonetic description of vowels and consonants, distinctive features, acoustic theory of speech production, acoustic characteristics of vowels and consonants, coarticulation
- c) Speech sound disorders- terminologies, Incidence and Prevalence, causes, classification
- d) Factors related to speech sound disorders – cognitive-linguistic, psychosocial, metalinguistic, oral stereognosis, and associated problems

Unit 2: Phonological Analysis and Assessment of speech sound disorders

- a) Speech sound sampling and other procedures for phonological analysis, Transcription
- b) OPME, analysis of speech sound errors,
- c) Screening tools, diagnostic tests and assessment of speech intelligibility, speech sound discrimination, test battery
- d) Determining need for intervention, prognosis and factors influencing target selection

Unit 3: Management of Speech Sound Disorders

- a) Basic principles and stages in therapy- target selection, treatment continuum – establishment, maintenance, generalization and stabilization
- b) Therapy approaches- Traditional, Motor based and cognitive linguistic based therapy approaches – evidence-based approaches and models
- c) Use of technology for SSD intervention
- d) Adapting approaches to individuals from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, Role of family in intervention

Unit 4: Speech Characteristics, Assessment and Management of Cleft Lip and Palate Speech

- a) Types, characteristics and classification of cleft lip and palate, Causes of cleft lip and palate: genetic, syndrome and others
- b) Velopharyngeal inadequacy: types, causes and classification, associated problems in persons with cleft lip and palate: speech, language, feeding, dental and occlusion, hearing, psychological
- c) Team approach, Assessment of cleft speech, subjective assessment, speech intelligibility, Objective assessment of resonance and articulatory features and reporting test results using Universal Parameters
- d) Management of cleft lip and palate: Surgical and prosthetic management, Techniques and strategies to correct speech sound disorders, Techniques and strategies to improve feeding, counselling and guidance

Unit 5: Structural Anomalies of Tongue and Mandible - Characteristics, Assessment and Management

- a) Types, classification and characteristics of structural anomalies of tongue and mandible, causes for structural anomalies of tongue and mandible
- b) Associated problems in persons with structural anomalies of tongue and mandible: Speech, Feeding, Dental and occlusion Psychological and others
- c) Team of professionals in assessment and management of persons with structural anomalies of tongue and mandible and their roles.
- d) Management of persons with structural anomalies of tongue and mandible: Surgical and prosthetic management, Techniques and strategies to improve speech intelligibility, Techniques and strategies to improve feeding, counselling and guidance

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Practicum

- a) Identify the stages of speech sound acquisition by observations from videos of children from birth to 5 years of age.
- b) List the vowels and consonants in your primary language and provide phonetic and acoustic descriptions for the speech sounds.
- c) Identify the vowels and consonants of your language on the IPA chart and practice the IPA symbols by transcribing words and running speech.
- d) Record the speech of one typically developing child from 1-8 years of age (include single word and connected speech samples), transcribe the sample, and perform phonological assessment.
- e) Collect 03 A/V samples of speech sound disorders, and analyse the errors
- f) Make a list of minimal pairs in English and in any other language (mother tongue)
- g) Practice instructions for phonetic placement of selected sounds.
- h) Develop a home plan with activities for any one speech sound error/phonological error using the therapy techniques.
- i) Collect therapy samples (pre-post) of speech sound disorder and analyse them
- j) Identify the different types of cleft lip and palate by looking at illustrations and images and represent the types using striped "Y" classification
- k) Listen to 10 speech samples of children with cleft lip and palate and rate their nasality/ speech (articulation and cleft type errors) based on universal reporting parameters.
- l) Identify the type of closure of velopharyngeal port for 5 normal individuals and 5 individuals with cleft lip and palate using videos of nasoendoscopy/ videofluoroscopy.
- m) Perform oral peripheral mechanism examination on 10 individuals (5 adults and 5 children) and document the structure and functions of the articulators.
- n) Analyse the different types of occlusions in 10 individuals,
- o) Identify the type of glossectomy by looking at pictures/illustrations. Identify the different types of prosthesis in the management of mandibulectomy.

B4.2 M : Diagnostic Audiology - Advanced

Hours 75 (45 + 30)

Marks 100 : Credits 4 (3 + 1)

Objectives: After completing this course, the student will be able to

- a) explain the concept of immittance and its clinical implications
- b) perform immittance evaluation,
- c) describe the various auditory evoked potentials and record them,
- d) explain central auditory processing and conduct tests to assess the same,
- e) assess tinnitus and hyperacusis, and
- f) carry out screening for vestibular disorders

Unit 1: Immittance Evaluation

- a) Principle of immittance evaluation: Concept of impedance, admittance and their components,
- b) Tympanometry: definition, measurement procedure, response parameters, their measurement and normative, classification of tympanogram, clinical significance of tympanometry;
- c) Eustachian tube functioning tests of tympanometry: Principle and tests- Valsalva, Toynbee, William's pressure swallow, inflation-deflation test.
- d) Overview of multicomponent and multi-frequency tympanometry, wide band reflectance and wide band tympanometry
- e) Reflexometry: definition, acoustic reflex pathway, measurement procedure, clinical applications of acoustic reflexes, special tests

Unit 2: Auditory Evoked Potentials (AEPs): Auditory Brainstem

- a) Introduction and classification of AEPs
- b) Instrumentation and principles of AEP recording techniques
- c) Auditory brainstem response generators
- d) Protocol and procedure of recording auditory brainstem response
- e) Factors affecting auditory brainstem responses
- f) Clinical applications of ABR

Unit 3: Overview of other AEPs and their Clinical Applications

- a) Electrocochleography (ECochG)
- b) Auditory Middle Latency Responses (AMLR)
- c) Auditory Long Latency Responses (Obligatory responses)
- d) Other long latency potentials such as P300, MMN, P600, N400, T-complex, CNV)
- e) Auditory Steady State Responses (ASSR)
- f) Brainstem responses to speech and other complex signals

Unit 4: Assessment of Central Auditory Processing Disorder (CAPD)

- a) Definition of (CAPD, processes involved in auditory processing.

- b) Behavioral and clinical indicators of central auditory processing disorders
- c) Principles and rationale of test to identify central auditory processing disorders (concept of redundancy, bottleneck and subtlety principles)
- d) Monaural low redundancy tests, Dichotic speech tests, Binaural interaction tests, Tests of Temporal processing, testing of binaural integration and binaural separation
- e) Interpretation of tests used for assessment of CAPD (site of lesion, processes involved), Team involved in assessment and management of CAPD

Unit 5: Test to Diagnose other Disorders: Tinnitus, Hyperacusis and Vestibular disorders

- a) Overview on other systems involved in balance , Vestibular ocular reflex and vestibulo spinal reflex
- b) Signs and Symptoms of vestibular disorders, Team in the assessment and management of vestibular disorders
- c) Screening for vestibular disorders
- d) Overview of tests used for assessment of tinnitus - Pitch matching, loudness matching, residual inhibition, Feldman masking curves
- e) Assessment of hyperacusis and related disorders– questionnaires, Johnson Hyperacusis Dynamic Range Quotient

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Practicum

- a) Measure admittance in the calibration cavities of various volumes and note down the observations
- b) Calculate Equivalent ear canal volume by measuring static admittance in an uncompensated tympanogram (10 ears)
- c) Do tympanogram in the manual mode and measure peak pressure, peak admittance and ear canal volume manually using cursor (10 ears).
- d) Measure gradient of the tympanogram (10 ears)
- e) Administer Valsalva and Toynbee and William's pressure swallow test(5 ears)
- f) Record acoustic reflex thresholds in the ipsi and contra modes, (10 ears)
- g) Plot Jerger box pattern for various hypothetical conditions that affect acoustic reflexes and interpret the pattern and the corresponding condition.
- h) Carry out Acoustic reflex decay test on 5 individuals
- i) Trace threshold of ABR (in 5 dB nHL steps near the threshold) for clicks and tone bursts of different frequencies (2 persons) and draw latency intensity function.
- j) Record ABR using single versus dual channels and, note down the differences.
- k) Record ABR at different repetition rates in 10/sec step beginning with 10.1/11.1 per second. Latency-repetition rate function needs to be drawn.
- l) Record with each of three transducers (HP, insert phones and bone vibrator) and polarities and draw a comparative table of the same. Students should also record with different transducers without changing in the protocol in the instrument and calculate the correction factor required.
- m) Record ASSR for stimuli of different frequencies and estimate the thresholds
- n) Administer CAPD test battery to assess different processes on 3 individuals and note down the scores
- o) Administer Fukuda stepping test, Tandem gait test, Finger nose pointing, Romberg test, Sharpened Romberg test, Dix-Hallpike test, Log-roll test on 5 of the individuals each and note down the observations.
- p) Estimate the pitch and loudness of tinnitus in 2 persons with tinnitus (under supervision). Assess the residual inhibition in them.
- q) Plot Feldman masking curves for a hypothetical case
- r) Administer Johnson Hyperacusis Dynamic Range Quotient on any 2 of the individuals and note down the scores.
- s) Administer tinnitus handicap inventory on 2 patients.

B4.3 MC : Neurology

Hours 45

Marks 75 : Credits 3

Objectives: After completing this course, the student will be able to understand

- a) the basic concepts, functional anatomy and physiology of nervous system related to speech and hearing
- b) neural organization – different structures and functions of various systems
- c) neurosensory and neuromotor controls in speech, language and hearing mechanisms
- d) cerebral plasticity and dominance and its relevance for speech, language and hearing disorders
- e) various neural diseases, lesions, nutritional and metabolic conditions affecting speech, language and hearing
- f) basic principles and assessment procedures used in speech, language and hearing disorders associated with neurological conditions, and
- g) basic principles and management procedures used in speech, language and hearing disorders associated with neurological conditions

Unit 1: Functional Anatomy of the Nervous System

- a) General introduction to basic neurological concepts
- b) Organization of the neural system
- c) Central, peripheral and autonomic neural system
- d) Neural structures – applied anatomy and physiology
- e) Cranial nerves and those important for speech, language, hearing and balance
- f) Cerebral blood supply, nourishment and protection of the brain
- g) General principles of neural organization
- h) Transmission of information in neural system – nerve fibers, synaptic transmission, action potential, chemical transmission, excitatory and inhibitory potential & neuromuscular transmission
- i) Cerebral plasticity and development of neural plasticity and cerebral dominance

Unit 2: Neurophysiology of Speech and Hearing Processes

- a) Neurosensory organization of speech and hearing
- b) Central auditory nervous system
- c) Anatomy of oral sensation and oral sensory receptors
- d) Neuromotor control of speech
- e) The pyramidal, extra-pyramidal system, basal ganglia and cerebellar system
- f) Lower and upper motor neuron, Alpha and gamma motor neurons
- g) Sensory and motor examination, oral, peripheral and other reflexes
- h) Swallowing mechanism and neural control
- i) Screening and bedside neurological examination

Unit 3: Neural Disorders Associated with speech and hearing disorders - I

- a) Neural infections – meningitis, encephalitis

- b) Developmental anomalies – spinal cord defects, syringomalacia and bulbia, Arnold Chiari malformations
- c) Hydrocephalus – source and circulation of CSF, types and etiopathogenesis
- d) UMN lesions –spastic dysarthria
- e) LMN lesions –flaccid dysarthria
- f) Mixed lesions
- g) Extra pyramidal lesions – dyskinetic dysarthria
- h) Cerebellum and cerebellar pathway lesions – ataxic dysarthria
- i) Other diverse lesions and dysarthria

Unit 4: Neural Disorders Associated with Speech And Hearing Disorders - II

- a) Cerebrovascular diseases – ischemic brain damage – hypoxic ischemic encephalopathy, cerebral infarction – intracranial hemorrhage – intracranial, subarachnoid
- b) Trauma to the CNS – subdural hematoma, epidural hematoma, parenchymal brain damages
- c) Demyelinating diseases – multiple sclerosis, perivenous encephalomyelitis, Dementia
- d) Degenerative, metabolic and nutritional disorders – Alzheimer’s disease, Parkinsonism
- e) Metabolic, hereditary, acquired, neuronal storage disorders
- f) Wilson’s disease, Phenylketonuria
- g) Nutritional – Wernicke’s encephalopathy, pellagra
- h) Alcoholic cerebellar degeneration
- i) Clinical-pathological methods and Neuro-imaging
- j) Tumors of the CNS – gliomas, embryonal tumors of meninges, metastasis, malignant tumors

Unit 5: Speech-language and Swallowing Disorders

- a) Central language mechanism and its disorders
- b) Developmental motor speech disorders – cerebral palsy, muscular dystrophy
- c) Neurologic disorders with primitive reflexes, diagnosis and management
- d) Clinical neurological syndromes associated with speech and language disorders
- e) Childhood language disorders associated with neurologic disorders
- f) Dysphagia in neurogenic disorders and assessment of mastication and deglutition
- g) Agnosia and other conditions associated with speech and hearing disorders
- h) Cognitive disorders associated with neurologic disorders
- i) General management principles and options for childhood neurogenic speech, language and hearing disorders
- j) General management principles and options for adult neurogenic speech, language and hearing disorders

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B4.4 MC : Research Methods and Statistics

Hours 45

Marks 75 : Credits 3

Objectives: After completing this course, the student will

- a) be able to understand the nature and importance of research in the field of audiology and speech-language pathology
- b) be exposed to the basics of design and execution of research,
- c) learn the basic statistical tools, and
- c) understand the ethical guidelines for conducting research on humans

Unit 1: Introduction to Research Methods

- a) Meaning and purpose of research: meaning
- b) Need for research in audiology and speech-language pathology
- c) Funds/grants for research
- d) Steps in research: identification, selection
- e) Formulation of research questions: aims, objectives, statement of problem, hypothesis
- f) Types of variables; types of sampling procedures (random and non-random);
- g) Types/ methods of data collection and their advantages and disadvantages
- h) Reliability and validity (internal and external validity)

Unit 2: Research Design in Audiology and Speech-language Pathology

- a) Types of research: survey, ex-post facto research, normative research, standard-group comparison
- b) Experimental and quasi experimental research: group design & single subject design
- c) Internal and external validity of research
- d) Between groups vs. repeated measures design
- e) Documentation of research: scientific report writing, different formats or styles (APA, AMA and MLA),
- f) Ethics of research

Unit 3: Introduction to Statistics and Data Collection

- a) Application of statistics in the field of audiology and speech-language pathology.
- b) Scales of measurement: nominal, ordinal, interval, ratio
- c) Classification of data: class intervals, continuous and discrete measurement
- d) Normal distribution: general properties of normal distribution, theory of probability,
- e) Variants from the normal distribution: skewness and kurtosis
- f) Measure of central tendency: mean, median, mode
- g) Measures of variability: range, deviation (average and standard deviation), variance

Unit 4: Statistics and Research Designs

- a) Choosing statistics for different research designs

- b) Correlational techniques: Pearson's Product Moment Correlation Coefficient; Spearman's Rank order correlation coefficient
- c) Statistical inference: concept of standard error and its use; the significance of statistical measures; testing the significance of difference between two means z-test, t-test; analysis of variance, post hoc tests,
- d) Non-parametric tests: Chi-square test, Wilcoxon test, Mann-Whitney U test,
- e) Reliability and validity of test scores: reliability and validity, Item analysis
- f) Analysis of qualitative data
- g) Software for statistical analysis

Unit 5: Epidemiology

- a) Basic epidemiologic concepts and principles
- b) Epidemiologic data sources and measurements
- c) Epidemiologic methods – questionnaire survey, screening, personal survey, testing
- d) Media - their advantages and disadvantages
- e) Incidence and prevalence of hearing, speech, language disorders as per different census (NSSO, WHO)

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B4.5 MO : Optional Minor 3

Hours 15

Marks 50 : Credits 1

- a) Each participating institution can offer any of the following as minor optional. However, a course once offered cannot be repeated for the same batch.
- b) The institution itself can draw the syllabus for the course.
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| a) Developmental Pediatrics | b) Genetics |
| c) Counseling and Guidance | d) Basics of Sign Language |
| e) CBR | f) Dysphagia |
| g) Auditory Habilitation | h) Vestibular Disorders |
| i) Disability Certification | j) ASLP in Practice |
| k) AAC | l) Telerehabilitation |

B4.6 M : Clinicals in Speech-language Pathology

Hours 90+

Marks 75 : Credits 3

General Considerations

- a) Clinical work should be primarily linked to the theory courses of the semester.
- b) After completion of clinical postings in Speech–language diagnostics, the student will have the concepts (know), ability to apply (know how), demonstrate skills (a clinical diary/logbook based on clinical reports/recordings) (show) and carry out the following on patients/client contact (do) the following:

Know

- a) Document the age of acquisition of speech sounds and phonological awareness skills in different languages.
- b) Document the patterns of phonological processes in various languages.
- c) Prepare a list of feeding postures and feeding appliances (illustrations and images) used for infants with cleft lip and palate.
- d) Prepare a list (with images) of various types of prosthesis used in the management of cleft of lip and palate.
- e) Document the government programs available for rehabilitation of children with cleft lip and palate.

Know-how

- a) Administer and interpret deep test of articulation in different languages.
- b) Use software/ instruments used for assessment and management of speech sound disorders and structural anomalies.
- c) Differentially diagnose the speech characteristics of articulation disorder and phonological disorder.
- d) Differentially diagnose the speech of children with hearing impairment, cleft lip and palate, developmental apraxia of speech and developmental dysarthria.
- e) Differences in the speech characteristics of children with cleft of lip, cleft of palate, cleft of lip and palate and submucous cleft.
- f) Identify various compensatory and obligatory errors in recorded samples of individuals with cleft lip and palate.
- g) Identify the type of closure of velopharyngeal port for individuals with and without cleft lip and palate from videos of nasoendoscopy/ videofluoroscopy.
- h) Identify the type of glossectomy from images.

Show

- a) Demonstrate how to perform a detailed interview for individuals with speech sound disorders.
- b) Demonstrate how to perform a detailed interview for individuals with structural anomalies.

- c) Demonstrate the procedure for oral peripheral mechanism examination. Compare the differences in typical children and children with speech sound disorders.
- d) Perform independent analysis (consonant- vowel inventory, syllable word shapes inventory, and syllable stress patterns inventory) of speech samples of typically developing children of different ages (2-6 years).
- e) Perform relational analysis of speech samples of typically developing children of different ages (2-6 years).
- f) Administer and interpret the results of articulation test on children with speech sound disorders.
- g) Record a speech sample of typically developing children in the age group- birth to 1 year, 1-2 years, 2-3 years, 3-4 years and 5 years and document the speech sound errors and phonological processes present in them.
- h) Assess oral mechanism, speech sound errors and speech intelligibility in children with speech sound errors and cleft lip and palate.
- i) Demonstrate phonetic placement for management of speech sound disorders.
- j) Demonstrate techniques for management of phonological disorders.
- k) Examine the oral structures of individuals with cleft lip and palate and document the structures using Modified Y-strip classification.
- l) Rate nasality, speech intelligibility, and document the articulatory errors from speech samples of individuals with cleft lip and palate.
- m) Use universal parameters to assess and document the speech characteristics of individuals with cleft lip and palate.
- n) Determine the acoustic characteristics of consonants and vowels using PRAAT and compare the differences in these features across these speech sounds.

Do

- a) Record and transcribe speech samples of children with speech sound disorders and analyse the speech characteristics.
- b) Prepare an oromotor kit for oral peripheral mechanism examination.
- c) Evaluate children and adults with child language disorders using protocol at your department/ institute and document the same.
- d) Plan and provide speech therapy for children with speech sound disorders.
- e) Plan and provide speech therapy for children with cleft of lip and palate.

B4.7 M : Clinicals in Audiology

Hours 90+

Marks 75 : Credits 3

General Considerations

- a) Clinical work should be primarily linked to the theory courses of the semester.
- b) After completion of clinical postings in Speech–language diagnostics, the student will have the concepts (know), ability to apply (know how), demonstrate skills (a clinical diary/logbook based on clinical reports/recordings) (show) and carry out the following on patients/client contact (do) the following:

Know

- a) Types of hearing aids
- b) Procedures/protocol to assess listening needs
- c) National and international standards on electroacoustic characteristics of hearing aids

Knowhow

- a) Skills to program digital hearing aids
- b) Counsel hearing aid user regarding the use and maintenance hearing aids
- c) Skills to troubleshoot hearing aids
- d) Skills to select different types of ear molds depending on the type of hearing aid, client, degree, type, and configuration of hearing loss

Show

- a) Electroacoustic measurement as per BIS standard on at least 2 hearing aids
- b) How to process 2 hard and 2 soft molds
- c) How to preselect hearing aid depending on listening needs and audiological findings on at least 5 clinical situations (case files)
- d) How select test battery depending on case history and basic audiological information

Do

- a) Trouble shooting and fine tuning of hearing aids on at least 5 older adults
- b) Counsel 3 hearing aid users/care takers regarding use, care and maintenance of hearing aids
- c) Programming of hearing aid on at least 5 clients
- d) Make Earmolds for at least 3 clients
- e) Assess benefit from hearing aids/assistive listening devices for 5 clients

Semester 5

B5.1 M : Voice Disorders and Laryngectomy

Hours 75 (45 + 30)

Marks 100 : Credits 4 (3 + 1)

Objective: After completing the course, the students would be able to

- a) explain the basic concepts of voice including classification of different voice disorders
- a) assess and diagnose different voice disorders
- c) manage voice disorders through therapy
- d) assess the needs of persons with laryngectomy and plan management strategies, and
- e) counsel persons with dysphonia and their family members/

Unit 1: Basic concepts in voice and its production

- a) Definition and functions of voice; Parameters of voice
- b) Anatomy and physiology of respiratory system for phonation; Laryngeal anatomy – Structural support, muscles, vocal fold microstructure, blood supply, and innervations - Aerodynamic myo-elastic theory of voice production
- c) Voice mechanics – Physiologic, acoustic and aerodynamic correlates of voice
- d) Pitch and loudness changing mechanism, voice registers and voice quality; Vocal tract resonance and voice quality
- e) Development of voice: Birth to senescence

Unit 2: Characteristics and pathophysiology of voice disorders

- a) Definition of voice disorder, pathologies of the laryngeal mechanism: classification of voice disorders, incidence, and prevalence
- b) Aetiology of voice disorders: Phonotraumatic vocal behaviours, medical related etiologies, primary disorder etiologies and personality related etiologies
- c) Non-organic voice disorders: functional disorders, psychosomatic- functional aphonia and physiological- Phonotrauma, puberphonia
- d) Congenital voice disorders
- e) Neurological voice disorders
- f) Voice problems in systemic illnesses and endocrine disorders
- g) Voice problems in transgenders and elderly
- h) Voice problems in professional voice users: teachers and singers

Unit 3: Assessment of voice disorders

- a) Referral sources, medical examination and team approach
- b) Protocol for voice assessment: components and philosophies (ICF, ICD)
- c) Clinical voice laboratory: principles of instrumental measurements – recording of data and storage; patented soft wares, free wares
- d) Perceptual evaluation of voice: GRBAS, CAPE -V
- e) Visualization procedures- indirect laryngoscopy, video laryngoscopy, stroboscopy & high speed imaging

- f) Acoustic analysis of voice: F0 related measures, intensity related measures, quality related measures, phonetogram, DSI, non-linear analysis
- g) Electroglottography and inverse filtering procedures
- h) Aerodynamic analysis of voice
- i) Self-evaluation of voice: PROM, VHI, V-DOP, VFI
- j) Reporting of voice findings, normative comparisons, differential diagnosis

Unit 4: Management of voice disorders

- a) Voice therapy orientation: Principles, goal setting and approaches
- b) Vocal hygiene and preventive counselling
- c) Symptomatic voice therapy
- d) Psychological approaches to voice therapy
- e) Physiological approach
- f) Holistic voice therapy approaches
- g) Eclectic voice therapy approach
- h) Medical and surgical treatment for voice disorders; Post-operative care
- i) Professional voice care

Unit 5: Laryngectomy

- a) Causes, symptoms and classifications of laryngeal cancers
- b) Multidisciplinary team in the management of persons with laryngeal cancer
- c) Surgery for laryngeal cancers: types and outcome
- d) Assessment of speech and communication skills of laryngectomee individuals: Pre and post-operative considerations
- e) Esophageal speech: candidacy, types of air intake procedures, speech characteristics, complications and contraindications.
- f) Tracheoesophageal speech: candidacy, types of TEP, fitting of prosthesis, speech characteristics, complications and contraindications.
- g) Artificial larynx: types, factors for selection, output characteristics, techniques for efficient use of artificial larynx, complications and contraindications.
- h) Other remedial procedures: Pharyngeal speech, buccal speech, ASAI speech, gastric speech.

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Practicum

- a) Identify and label the structures of the larynx on a chart or model of larynx. Draw the different stages of vocal fold movement to explain the phonation
- b) Record phonation and speaking samples (counting numbers) from five children, adult men, adult women, geriatric men and geriatric women. Note recording parameters and differences in the samples.
- c) Make inferences on age and sex differences across the samples obtained in the previous experiment using perceptual voice profiling. Make a note of differences in pitch, loudness, quality and voice control.
- d) Perform an acoustic voice analysis on five abnormal voice samples sample and generate a voice report based on acoustic findings.
- e) Perform MPT and s/z ratio. Infer differences across age and sex.
- f) Perform spirometry. Infer differences across age and sex.
- g) Assess five abnormal voice samples using GRBAS and CAPE V.
- h) Observe and document findings from five laryngeal examinations (pre-recorded stroboscopy sample)
- i) Administer VDOP, VFI & VHI on five individuals.
- j) Prepare a vocal hygiene checklist.
- k) Demonstrate therapy techniques such as vocal function exercise, resonant voice therapy, digital manipulation, relaxation exercises and eclectic voice therapy
- l) Prepare a pamphlet for post-surgical voice care for benign voice disorders and for laryngectomy.
- m) Analyse the speech profile of 5 individuals with laryngectomy.
- n) Identify parts of an artificial larynx and explore its use.
- o) Prepare a checklist / pamphlet illustrating care of the stoma and T- tubes in vernacular.

B5.2 M: Motor Speech Disorders in Children

Hours 75 (45 + 30)

Marks 100 : Credits 4 (3 + 1)

Objectives: After completing the course, the students will be able to

- a) identify neuro-developmental processes in speech production
- b) explain the terminologies, classification and characteristics of cerebral palsy and other motor speech disorders in children
- c) assess motor speech disorders in children, and differentiate it from other associated / related disorders,
- d) plan management for the affected pediatric clinical population with dysarthria and apraxia of speech, and
- e) plan strategies to assess and manage feeding and swallowing problems in children

Unit 1: Neuro-developmental processes in speech production and introduction to motor speech disorders

- a) Development of neural pathways of speech motor control (brain maturation, reflexes, sensory and motor)
- b) Sensory-motor integration of speech production (Spatial-temporal planning, motor planning, and feedback)
- c) Dysarthria in children: Definition, etiology, characteristics, and associated problems
 - Cerebral palsy: Spastic, Flaccid, Hyperkinetic, Hypokinetic, and Ataxia
 - Lower motor neuron and other syndromes associated with motor speech disorders
- d) Childhood apraxia: Definition, etiology, types, and characteristics.
 - Childhood apraxia of speech
 - Nonverbal oral apraxia

Unit 2: Assessment of motor speech disorders in children

- a) Case history, developmental neurological evaluation – primitive postural and oropharyngeal reflexes, cranial nerve examination, and oral peripheral mechanism examination,
- b) Behavioral assessment– Tasks, observations, and measures of speech sub-systems (Respiration, phonation, articulation, speech intelligibility, comprehensibility, fluency, and prosody)
- c) Cognitive-linguistic assessment, assessment of language and speech skills with specific reference to Phonetic and phonemic inventory, phonotactics and syllable sequencing, variability of errors, speech intelligibility, and prosody. Formal protocols/checklists, screening tests/ protocols specific to Indian languages for childhood apraxia of speech
- d) Differential diagnosis- childhood dysarthria, childhood apraxia of speech, and other developmental disorders

Unit 3: Management of childhood dysarthria

- a) Team approach in rehabilitation of motor speech disorders in children
- b) Behavioral management of speech subsystem- respiratory, phonatory, resonatory, and articulatory subsystems

- c) Prosthetic management in the treatment of childhood dysarthria
- d) AAC in the management of childhood dysarthria
- e) Case studies: Planning intervention for children with dysarthria including language intervention

Unit 4: Management of childhood apraxia of Speech

- a) Principles of motor learning
- b) Integral stimulation – dynamic temporal cueing
- c) Multisensory and tactile cueing techniques (motor kinesthetic speech training, sensory-motor approach, PROMPTS, Touch cue method, and speech facilitation)
- d) Gestural cueing techniques (signed target phoneme therapy, adapted cueing techniques, cued speech, visual phonics, and Jordon’s gestures)
- e) Cognitive/conceptual/ linguistic /phonological remedial approaches - phonotactics
- f) Other approaches: melodic intonation therapy, multiple phonemic approaches, instrumental feedback, vowel and diphthong remediation techniques, and Nancy Kauffman’s speech praxis treatment kit
- g) AAC in the management of childhood apraxia of speech
- h) Case studies: Planning intervention for childhood apraxia of speech

Unit 5: Feeding and swallowing disorders in children

- a) Phases of swallowing, neural control of swallowing, and reflexes related to swallowing
- b) Causes, signs, and symptoms of dysphagia in children
- c) Feeding and swallowing assessment –neural developmental assessment, cranial nerve examination, oral peripheral mechanism examination, clinical swallow examination, nutritive and non-nutritive assessment, and instrumental assessment.
- d) Feeding and swallowing treatment – positioning, oral-motor treatment, team approach, non-oral feeding, transitional feeding, and modifications in feeding.

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Practicum

- a) With the help of models, charts, and software, identify the motor control centres in the brain.
- b) Identify and list the characteristics of types of dysarthria in children (spastic, flaccid, athetoid, and ataxia)
- c) Identify and list the characteristics from the speech and language sample of a child with childhood apraxia of speech
- d) Perform oro-motor examination in five children and adults and compare
- e) Demonstrate normal posture and breathing patterns required for varied speech tasks. Alter the postures and breathing patterns and notice changes in speech patterns.
- f) Assess the DDK rate in five typically developing children.
- g) Rate intelligibility of speech in five typically developing children. Discuss factors that influenced speech intelligibility and their ratings.
- h) Observe and record (a) physical status, (b) oral sensory motor abilities and vegetative skills, (c) respiration, (d) phonation, (e) resonance, (f) articulation, and (g) language abilities in five typically developing children. Compare these with observations made from children with motor speech disorders.
- i) Perform oro-motor exercises – isotonic and isometric. Discuss strategies to modify exercises for children.
- j) Identify the symbols and type of Augmentative Alternative Communication system.
- k) Design a low-tech AAC system for children with motor speech disorder.
- l) List various multisensory and tactile cueing techniques used for children with apraxia of speech.
- m) Identify from the video and list various prosthetic devices used in the treatment of childhood dysarthria.
- n) Observe and list the signs and symptoms of dysphagia in children
- o) Observe feeding and swallowing skills in different age groups of children: 1 infant, 1 toddler, and 1 older child. Identify the differences in feeding methods, food consistencies, food texture, and quantity used by these children.

B5.3 M : Paediatric Audiology

Hours 75 (45 + 30)

Marks 100 : Credits 4 (3 + 1)

Objectives: After completing this course, the student will be able to

- a) trace out auditory development in children
- b) describe embryological development of the auditory system
- c) justify, plan and execute programs for early identification of hearing loss in infants and children
- e) administer appropriate test battery (behavioral and physiological tests) for diagnosis of hearing loss in infants and children, and
- f) modify the test protocols/procedures, as appropriate, while testing difficult-to-test population

Unit 1: Development of Auditory System

- a) Overview of paediatric audiology and fundamental terminology
- b) Embryological development of auditory system and its relevance to clinical audiology
- c) Maturation of the auditory system and neuroplasticity
- d) Development of Auditory behaviour: prenatal hearing, newborn hearing, hearing in infants and toddlers

Unit 2: Early Identification of Hearing Loss

- a) Incidence and prevalence of auditory disorders in children
- b) Principles of early hearing detection and intervention
- c) Need for early identification with reference to congenital versus acquired hearing loss, conductive and sensorineural hearing loss, mild hearing losses, sloping hearing losses, fluctuating hearing losses and unilateral hearing loss
- d) Recommendations of the Joint committee on infant screening- various position statements and the evolution
- e) High risk registers and their utilities in screening, sensitivity and specificity of high risk registers, relevance in Indian scenario

Unit 3: Paediatric Hearing Screening

- a) Behavioral screening tests (behavioral observation audiometry), procedures, recording of response, interpretation of results.
- b) Objective screening tests (e.g., Cribogram, auditory cradle, reflex inhibition audiometry, immittance, reflexometry, wide-band reflectance, OAE, evoked potentials - AABR)
- c) Universal newborn hearing screening- concept, history, Indian and global scenario and challenges
- d) Hearing screening in infants and toddlers: Indian and global context
- e) Hearing screening in pre-schoolers and school-age children: Indian and global context

Unit 4: Assessment of Hearing Loss in Children

- a) Behavioural assessment of hearing: Behavioural observation audiometry, conditioned orientation reflex audiometry, Visual reinforcement audiometry and its modifications, conditioned play audiometry,
- b) Speech audiometry in children, material available, modifications required
- c) Physiological assessment of hearing: Immittance evaluation including high frequency probe-tone tympanometry, reflexometry, wide-band reflectance), otoacoustic emissions, auditory brainstem response, auditory steady state responses and other evoked potentials
- d) Test battery for diagnosing severity and type of hearing loss (conductive, cochlear pathology, auditory neuropathy spectrum disorder), factors affecting assessment of hearing in children
- e) Counseling parents/caregivers regarding diagnosis and management of children with hearing loss

Unit 5: Assessment of Special Population

- a) Diagnosis of auditory neuropathy spectrum disorder
- b) Assessment of hearing children with multiple problems (additional needs)
- c) Assessment of central auditory processing in children
- d) Assessment of functional hearing loss in children
- e) Assessment of vestibular problems in children
- f) Assessment of tinnitus, hyperacusis and misophonia in children

Recommended Reading

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Practicum

- a) Observe infants with typical hearing abilities in the age range of 0-1 years and 1-2 years in their natural environments. Generate a report detailing their response to auditory stimuli.
- b) Monitor a child with hearing impairment within the age range of 0-2 years in natural setting. Compile a report describing the child's responses to auditory stimuli both with and without the amplification device.
- c) Administer HRR on at least three newborns and interpret responses.

- d) Administer BOA and VRA on 5 children with typical hearing and 2 children with hearing impairment. Write a report detailing the instrumentation, procedure and interpretation.
- e) Carryout immittance evaluation on 5 children with typical hearing and 2 children with hearing impairment and interpret the results
- f) Record OAE on 5 children with normal hearing and 2 children with hearing loss and interpret the results.
- g) Compare ABR wave forms of children across different age groups, ranging from birth to 24 months.
- h) Record ABR on 5 children with typical hearing and observe ABR of 2 children with hearing impairment. Write a report detailing the instrumentation, instructions, and stimuli used, procedure and interpretation.
- i) Employ role play to illustrate how the outcomes of audiological assessments are communicated to caregivers for children with the following conditions
 - A child referred for hearing screening with history of high-risk factors.
 - A child with chronic middle ear disease.
 - A child with central auditory processing disorder (CAPD).
 - A child with severe bilateral hearing impairment

B5.4 M : Aural Rehabilitation

Hours 75 (45 + 30)

Marks 100 : Credits 4 (3 + 1)

Objectives: After completing this course the student will be able to

- a) describe the different communication options available for young children with hearing impairment
- b) explain the impact of hearing impairment on auditory development, spoken language communication and quality of life
- c) describe factors that affect acoustic accessibility and strategies to manage them at home, classroom and work environments
- d) identify components of aural rehabilitation program for adults and administer different tools for assessment of hearing handicap, attitudes and beliefs that can impact aural rehabilitation
- e) design activities for auditory training at different levels for children and adults

Unit 1: Listening, spoken communication and acoustic accessibility

- a) Sensitivity period for auditory development
- b) Impact of hearing impairment on auditory development, spoken language acquisition, parent child communication
- c) Psychological impact of hearing loss,
- d) Impact of hearing loss on quality of life, education, employment and financial burden
- e) Hearing loss implications for speech perception: acoustics of speech
- f) Optimizing hearing potential through hearing devices in adults and children
- g) Barriers to acoustic accessibility: distance, signal to noise ratio, reverberation
- h) Signal to noise ratio enhancing technologies personal FM, loop systems, desktop group systems, blue tooth connectivity

Unit 2: Communication and Education options for children with hearing loss

- a) Parent/care giver support counseling,
- b) Choosing communication options: Manual vs. oral form of communication
- c) Different manual communication systems available
- d) Cued speech and total communication
- e) Educational placement of hearing impaired children: Preschool training, Integration, Partial integration, Segregation: day school vs. residential school, Inclusive vs. integrated school.
- f) Educational problems of the individuals with hearing impairment and the measures taken to overcome the problems in India
- g) Early intervention programs

Unit 3: Auditory learning

- a) Terminology and historical backgrounds, auditory learning, auditory training, auditory verbal therapy
- b) Creating optimum listening and learning environment for children at home, classroom situations and for adults at work situations
- c) Factors affecting outcome of auditory learning

- d) Methods of learning spoken language through listening (auditory oral vs auditory verbal)
- e) Methods of auditory training in children and adults
- f) Computer/App based modules for auditory training.
- g) Unisensory vs multisensory approaches

Unit 4: Speech Reading and communication strategies

- a) Definition and need
- b) Visibility of speech sounds and assessing auditory-visual perception and only auditory perception
- c) Overview of analytic and synthetic tests of speech reading for adults and children
- d) Analytic and synthetic methods of speech reading training in adults and children
- e) Factors influencing speech reading
- f) Facilitative communication strategies: Repair strategies, anticipatory strategies, Conversational styles
- g) Communication strategies training formal instruction, guided learning, real world practice

Unit 5: Managing children and adults with additional needs

- a) Management of hearing loss associated with additional problems such as blindness, cognitive problems
- b) Management of auditory neuropathy spectrum disorders
- c) Management of central auditory processing disorders
- d) Management of tinnitus and hyperacusis
- e) Aural rehabilitation of older adults

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- k) Tye-Murray, N., (2014) Foundations of Aural Rehabilitation: Children , adults and their family members 4th edition Plural Publishing San Diego

Practicum

- a) Watch documentaries such as “Sound and Fury” (2001). Write a reflection of why parents made communication choices for their children
- b) Follow on links to the above film that shows the status of the children with hearing impairment after a few years.
- c) Learn at least 50 signs across different categories of Indian sign language. Make a video of you signing 10 sentences. Have a class mate interpret them.
- d) Interview a parent of a child with hearing impairment on how they adapted their child to wear the hearing aids and /or implant. What were the first responses to sound they observed and how language and speech develop?
- e) Complete a functional auditory evaluation on one child with hearing loss. Do a speech and language evaluation and also write a report on the child strengths and weakness.
- f) Design and demonstrate auditory learning activities at the four levels awareness, discrimination, identification and comprehension. Ensure that the activities encompass different skill level and difficulty levels.
- g) Develop a short audio/film/pamphlet for parents in your local language on one of the following: teaching parent to trouble shooting the hearing aid/cochlear implant, establishing consistent use of listening device, activities to facilitate language across different age groups
- h) Visit a school for the deaf. Document your observation about the acoustic environment in the class, strategies used by the teacher to promote listening and spoken language
- i) Listen to the speech recorded using hearing loss simulators (available on internet) and experience the sounds as heard by persons with different degrees of hearing loss. Write your observations on the same
- j) Simulate hearing loss by plugging ears and administer sentence tests of word recognition. Write a report on the performance
- k) Administer any three self-report questionnaires to three adults who have hearing loss and write a report of the relationship of their hearing loss to performance on the scale
- l) Administer any three self-report questionnaires to three adults and older adults who have hearing loss and write a report of the relationship of their hearing loss to performance on the scale
- m) Design a session of aural rehab program (Objectives, activities, outcomes assessment) for adults recently fitted with cochlear implant, group of 4 older adults.
- n) Design an individualized program for an executive using a hearing aid for the first time, and an adult moving from an analog to a digital hearing aid

B5.5 MO : Optional Minor - 4

Hours 15

Marks 50 : Credits 1

- a) Each participating institution can offer any of the following as minor optional. However, a course once offered cannot be repeated for the same batch.
- b) The institution itself can draw the syllabus for the course.
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| a) Developmental Paediatrics | b) Genetics |
| c) Counseling and Guidance | d) Basics of Sign Language |
| e) CBR | f) Dysphagia |
| g) Auditory Habilitation | h) Vestibular Disorders |
| i) Disability Certification | j) ASLP in Practice |
| k) AAC | l) Telerehabilitation |

B5.6 M : Clinicals in Speech-language Pathology

Hours 90+

Marks 75 : Credits 3

General Considerations

- a) Clinical work should be primarily linked to the theory courses of the semester.
- b) After completion of clinical postings in Speech–language diagnostics, the student will have the concepts (know), ability to apply (know how), demonstrate skills (a clinical diary/logbook based on clinical reports/recordings) (show) and carry out the following on patients/client contact (do) the following:

Know

- a) Different samples /procedures required to analyze voice production mechanism (acoustic/ aerodynamic methods / visual examination of larynx/ self-evaluation)
- b) Assess parameters of voice and breathing for speech.
- c) Document the voice production mechanism in different animals and birds: compare these with human voice production.
- d) Different samples /procedures required to analyze speech production mechanism in children with motor speech disorders.
- e) Differential diagnosis of motor speech disorders in children.
- f) Procedures to assess laryngectomees and provide management options.
- g) Document the voice production mechanism in different animals and birds: compare these with human voice production.

Know-how

- a) To assess posture and breathing for speech in children with motor speech disorders.
- b) To record a voice sample for acoustic and perceptual analysis.
- c) To assess the speech parameters of different types of speech in laryngectomee
- d) To consult with inter-disciplinary medical/rehabilitation team and counsel the individual/ family regarding management options and prognosis.
- e) Observe and document the findings from pre-recorded/ live samples of laryngeal examination procedures and compare differences across various voice disorders.
- f) Use software / instruments used in the assessment and management of voice disorders.
- g) Identify various types of voice prostheses, tracheostomy tubes, and artificial larynx and its parts. Document the use of these prostheses in various types of disorders.

Show

- a) Perceptually analyse paediatric, adult, and geriatric voice using a standard test tool and compare the differences across age and gender.
- b) Perform aerodynamic analysis (spirometry, MPD, s/z ratio) of paediatric, adult, and geriatric voice and compare the differences across age and gender.
- c) Perform acoustic analysis of paediatric, adult, and geriatric voice using a software/ instrument and compare the differences across age and gender.
- d) Analyse paediatric, adult, and geriatric voice using electroglottography and compare the differences in various parameters across age and gender.

- e) Evaluate the voice of individuals with voice disorders using perceptual, acoustic, and aerodynamic analysis and EGG to compare the results across age, gender, and different types of voice disorders.
- f) Administer and document the findings of the quality-of-life questionnaire/ PROM on individuals with voice disorders.
- g) Assess the voice of at least 1 professional voice user. Describe the differences in the procedure for assessment of voice in PVU and non-PVU.
- h) Prepare a vocal hygiene checklist for individuals with voice disorders.
- i) Prepare a vocal hygiene checklist for different professional voice users (Singers, teachers, drama artists etc.) and understand the difference.
- j) Counsel patients with voice disorders.
- k) Demonstrate voice therapy techniques and document the same.
- l) Analyze the speech profile of 2 individuals with laryngectomy.
- m) Prepare a checklist/pamphlet illustrating care of the stoma, T tubes, and prosthesis used by laryngectomee.
- n) Perform OPME in 5 children with motor speech disorders.
- o) Check oral motor reflexes in infants with typical development and with motor speech disorders and document differences if any.
- p) Evaluate posture, respiration, phonation, resonance, DDK, articulation, language, and speech intelligibility in children with motor speech disorders. Compare how these differ from typically developing children.
- q) Prepare a developmental chart for feeding skills from birth to 3 years.
- r) Observe feeding and swallowing skills in new-borns, infants, toddlers, and older children. Identify the differences in feeding methods, food consistencies, texture, quantity, feeding habits, and feeding appliances.
- s) Evaluate feeding skills in children with motor speech disorders and prepare a plan of action to improve these skills.

Do

- a) Write a baseline report for an individual with voice disorder.
- b) Write a lesson plan for an individual with voice disorder.
- c) Evaluate children and adults with speech sound disorders using protocol at your department/ institute and document the same.
- d) Plan and take therapy for a laryngectomee.
- e) Plan and take therapy for individuals with voice disorders. Document the differences in management across professional and non-professional voice users and various types of disorders.

B5.7 M : Clinicals in Audiology

Hours 90+

Marks 75 : Credits 3

General Considerations

- a) Clinical work should be primarily linked to the theory courses of the semester.
- b) After completion of clinical postings in Speech–language diagnostics, the student will have the concepts (know), ability to apply (know how), demonstrate skills (a clinical diary/logbook based on clinical reports/recordings) (show) and carry out the following on patients/client contact (do) the following:

Know

- a) Different protocols and interpretation in tympanometry and reflexometry.
- b) Different protocols used and interpretation in auditory brainstem responses and ASSR
- c) Protocols for screening and diagnostic otoacoustic emissions and their interpretation
- d) Tests to assess vestibular system
- e) Different indications for selecting implantable hearing devices
- f) Various speech stimulation and auditory training techniques

Knowhow

- a) To administer auditory brainstem responses and ASSR for the purpose of threshold estimation and ABR for site of lesion testing
- b) To administer tympanometry and reflexometry
- c) To administer multifrequency tympanometry and calculate resonance frequency
- d) To administer high risk register
- e) To modify the given environment to suit the needs of hearing impairment

Show

- a) Analysis of ABR waveforms – threshold estimation 5 and site of lesion 5
- b) Analysis of immittance audiometry and relating to other tests – 5 individuals with conductive and 5 individuals with sensori-neural hearing loss
- c) How to formulate select appropriate auditory training technique based on audiological evaluation

Do

- a) Threshold estimation on 5 infants (< 2 years) and 2 adult
- b) TEOAE and DPOAE on 5 infants (<2 years) and 2 adults
- c) Immittance evaluation on 3 children and 3 adults
- d) BOA on 5 infants (<2 years)
- e) VRA on 2 infants (6 month – 3 year)
- f) Conditioned play audiometry – 3 children (3-6 years)
- g) Appropriate auditory training on 5 children with hearing loss
- h) Hearing aid fitment on 1 infant (< 3 years) 2 children (3-6 years)
- i) Test battery report of hearing assessment for 3 children and 3 adults

Semester 6

B6.1 M: Adult Language Disorders

Hours 75 (45 + 30)

Marks 100 : Credits 4 (3 + 1)

Objectives: After completing the course, the student will be able to

- a) identify the characteristics of language disorders in adults
- b) decipher the causes of language disorders in adults,
- c) evaluate and diagnose speech-language characteristics in adults with of language disorders
- d) plan strategies to manage speech-language and related errors in adults with of language disorders
- e) counsel and provide guidance to caregivers on the management of language disorders
- f) understand the concept of cognitive communication disorders in adults, and
- g) initiate advocacy programs for adults with language disorders

Unit 1: Neurosciences of Aphasia and Other Adult Language Disorders with Cognitive Communication Disorders

- a) Neuroanatomical, neurophysiological, and neurochemical correlates for language function.
- b) Neurolinguistic models and language processes – connectionists, hierarchical, global, process, and computational models.
- c) Historical aspects of aphasia
- d) Language processing in right hemisphere
- e) Language processing in bi/ multilingual population

Unit 2: Language Disorders in Adults

- a) Definitions of language disorder in adults (aphasia)
- b) Causes of language disorder in adults
- c) Different classifications of aphasia
- d) Types of aphasia and their speech, language, behavioral and cognitive characteristics
- e) Comorbidities in individuals with aphasia
- f) Overview of Speech-language characteristics in
 - Traumatic Brain Injury
 - Right Hemisphere Damage
 - Dementia
 - Primary Progressive Aphasia
 - Schizophrenia
 - Metabolic disorders
 - Alcohol-induced disorders

Unit 3: Assessment of Aphasia

- a) Types and importance of different forms of language assessment of adults.
- b) Types of tests and tools for assessment of language in adults

- c) Description of tools and test for assessment and diagnosis of language in adults (Rationale, Administration, Scoring, and Interpretation) WAB, BDAE, Token test, Revised Token Test, –BST, WAB, RTT, BAT, LPT.
- d) Tools and tests adapted/ developed across languages in India for assessment of language in adults (Rationale, Administration, Scoring, and Interpretation).
- e) Overview of tests and tools for assessment of speech, language, linguistic, and cognition of adults with non-aphasic cognitive communication disorders (e.g ACE, BTHI, MMSE, ABCD, CLAP, CLQT, CCABI, FCP)

Unit 4: Management of Language Disorders in Adults

- a) Principles of Language Intervention for individuals with aphasia
- b) Concept of spontaneous recovery, reorganization and retraining.
- c) Approaches and techniques for management of aphasia - Deblocking, VCIU, LOT, PACE, Stimulation Facilitation Approach, RET, VAT, Semantic Feature Analysis, TAP, TUF, MIT, TWA, Contingency naming training and others.
- d) Considerations of co morbidities in planning and implementation of therapy for individuals with aphasia
- e) Introduction to AAC for adults with aphasia.
- f) Team approach in rehabilitation of adults with aphasia. Team members and their roles in rehabilitation of adults with aphasia.
- g) Importance and role of caregivers/ family members in rehabilitation of persons with aphasia.

Unit 5: Rehabilitation Issues Relating to Adults with Language Disorders

- a) Factors influencing the assessment and intervention for language in the context of bilingual and multilingual influences.
- b) Factors influencing the assessment and management of language in persons who are preliterate, illiterate and literate.
- c) Importance of assessment of quality of life of adults with language disorders
- d) Generalization and maintenance issues in adults with language disorders
- d) Recovery patterns and prognosis in adults with language disorders
- e) Age related influence in adults with language disorders
- f) Rights of adults with language disorders

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Practicum

- a) Identify different areas of the brain (cortical and subcortical) by looking at a model/ image and label the language areas.
- b) List the language characteristics of persons from video samples (atleast 5) and identify the most likely type of aphasia.
- c) Administer case history and WAB (English) or BDAE (English) on two normal adults, do the scoring and write the interpretation.
- d) Observe administration of case history and any one complete language test for adult with stroke. Do the scoring and interpretation. Write a complete diagnostic report (with informal observations and formal test findings).
- e) Demonstrate (through role play in class) various therapy techniques for in the management of aphasia.
- h) Discuss in class and formulate therapy plans (including activities) based on assessment reports of two persons with aphasia.
- i) Demonstrate counseling of caregivers/ family members by role play for a given profile of an individual with adult language disorder (one each).
- j) Prepare a flier/ video/ powerpoint for awareness of role of speech language pathologist for rehabilitation of individuals with aphasia.

B6.2 M : Motor Speech Disorders in Adults

Hours 75 (45 + 30)

Marks 100 : Credits 4 (3 + 1)

Objectives: After completing the course, the students will be able to

- a) identify the motor processes and control mechanisms in speech production
- b) describe terminologies, classification and characteristics of motor speech disorders in adults
- c) assess motor speech disorders in adults, and differentiate them other associated / related disorders
- d) plan approaches to management of dysarthria and apraxia of speech in adults
- e) plan strategies to assess and treat feeding and swallowing problems in adults, and
- f) counsel the affected clinical population and their family members

Unit 1: Types of dysarthria: anatomical basis, etiology and speech characteristics

- a) Speech Motor System
- b) Definition and classification of dysarthria
- c) Broad etiologic categories of dysarthria in adults (Degenerative diseases, inflammatory diseases, toxic-metabolic diseases, neoplastic diseases, traumatic diseases, vascular diseases)
- d) Different dimensions of dysarthria (Age of onset, cause, natural course, site of lesion, pathophysiology, speech characteristics, speech characteristics, severity)
- e) Anatomic and physiologic substrates, etiology and speech characteristics of different types of dysarthrias: Spastic Dysarthria; Flaccid Dysarthria; Hypokinetic dysarthria; Hyperkinetic dysarthria; Ataxic Dysarthria; Mixed dysarthria; Unilateral Upper Motor Neuron Dysarthria

Unit 2: Assessment and diagnosis of dysarthria

- a) Behavioral assessment of speech subsystems in dysarthria: description of tasks, observations and measures - Respiratory subsystem; Phonatory Subsystem; Resonatory subsystem; --Articulatory subsystem - Speech intelligibility and prosody - Formal/standard protocols for assessment of dysathria
- b) Instrumental assessment of speech subsystems in dysarthria: Acoustic, kinematic and physiological assessment
- c) Advantages and disadvantages of behavioural and instrumental assessment of dysarthria
- d) Differential diagnosis of dysarthria from Apraxia of Speech and Aphasia.
- e) Differential Diagnosis of types of dysarthria

Unit 3: Management of dysarthria

- a) Brief overview of medical intervention, surgical intervention for dysarthria on the speech in persons with acquired dysarthria
- b) Rationale for behavioral intervention and general principles for behavioral intervention including principles of motor learning
- c) Facilitative approach: vegetative, sensorimotor and reflex based intervention systems approach- Behavioral management of speech subsystems (Including use of prosthesis

and AAC) - Respiratory subsystem; Phonatory subsystem; Resonatory subsystem; Articulatory subsystem- Prosody including rate of speech

Unit 4: Assessment and management of apraxia of speech (AOS)

- a) Definition, and classification of acquired apraxia in adults – Nonverbal apraxia's and verbal apraxia / AOS
- b) Anatomical and physiological substrates and etiologies of AOS
- c) Characteristics of nonverbal apraxia & verbal apraxia
- d) Behavioral assessment of apraxia of speech – Tasks, observations and measures related to an assessment protocol; Formal assessment batteries/scales and protocols for assessment - Instrumental analysis of speech of apraxia in adults: Acoustic, Kinematic and Physiological
- e) Management of apraxia of speech including AAC and speech/communication strategies

Unit 5: Dysphagia

- a) Overview on neuroanatomy of swallowing
- b) Stages of swallowing
- c) Causes of dysphagia including, neurogenic, mechanical and motility - Signs and symptoms of dysphagia - Subjective and bedside evaluation of dysphagia
- d) Brief orientation on instrumental evaluation of swallowing
- e) Facilitatory and compensatory techniques in treatment of dysphagia

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Practicum

- a) Identify the cranial nerves and mention their origin and insertion in a picture or model.
- b) Demonstrate methods to assess the cranial nerves using non-speech and speech tasks.
- c) Perform Frenchay's Dysarthria Assessment (FDA) on any two neurotypical adults. Identify the tasks that assess the different cranial nerves and subsystems of speech from the battery of tasks in FDA.
- d) Complete a table based on different neurological disorders or etiologies of motor speech disorders. Note the pathophysiology, natural course, type of dysarthria, and other concomitant issues.
- e) View videos of persons with various neurological conditions resulting in dysarthria and document the clinical signs and symptoms of the neurological conditions as appropriate.
- f) Identify the signs of UMN and LMN based on video samples of persons with dysarthria.
- g) Perform assessments of the respiratory system using speech and non-speech tasks in 10 neurotypical adults.
- h) Record different types of speech samples (sustained phonation, continuous speech, etc.) from 10 neurotypical adults and perform perceptual assessment of speech and acoustic analysis on the appropriate samples.
- i) Perform a complete perceptual assessment of different speech subsystems on the audio and video recordings of five neurotypical adults. Administer Duffy's intelligibility rating scale.
- j) Compare the perceptual assessments with the recorded speech samples of persons with dysarthria.
- k) Prepare an informal list of speech stimuli in any Indian language for assessment of speech-motor programming.
- l) Demonstrate strategies for AOS management.
- m) Prepare a low-tech AAC for functional communication to be used by an individual with apraxia of speech or persons with dysarthria.
- n) Perform a clinical swallow assessment on five healthy individuals.
- o) Demonstrate strategies for dysphagia management.

B6.3 M : Implantable Hearing Devices

Hours 75 (45 + 30)

Marks 100 : Credits 4 (3 + 1)

Objectives: After completing this course, the students will be able to

- a) assess candidacy for bone conduction hearing implants, middle ear implants, cochlear implants, and auditory brainstem implants
- b) select the appropriate device depending on the audiological and non-audiological findings,
- c) manage post-implantation audiological management
- d) assess the benefit derived from implantation, and
- e) counsel the parents/care givers during different stages of implantation

Unit 1: Need for Implantable Hearing Devices

- a) Verification of hearing aids using functional gain, real ear insertion gain : REIG, REUR, REAR, REOR, RESR, REIG, REAG, RECD
- b) Use of impedance, OAEs and AEPs in the verification of hearing aids
- c) Hearing aid validation/outcome measures including questionnaires
- d) Selection and verification of use of Assistive listening devices
- e) Limitation of hearing aids and assistive listening devices
- f) Team involved in selection of different implantable devices

Unit 2: Cochlear Implant and Auditory Brainstem Implants

- a) Types of cochlear implants (CI), components & features based on technology and design
- b) MRI Compatibility, Electrode types and options
- c) Types of Sound Processors, components & features based on technology and design
- d) Bilateral vs Unilateral CI, Bilateral Bi-modal CI, Unilateral Bi-modal CI (electro acoustic stimulation)
- e) Candidacy Evaluation for CI: Audiological and Non-audiological
- f) Overview of Auditory brainstem implant (ABI), Need and candidacy for ABI

Unit 3: Post Cochlear Implant Rehabilitation

- a) Overview of surgical approaches, complications
- b) Sound coding strategies in CI
- c) Objective measures for intra-op monitoring and post-op management
- d) ESRT, ECAP, EABR, aided cortical potentials, ECoChG
- e) Mapping of CI, MAP verification and assessment of benefit

Unit 4: Bone Conduction Hearing Implants and Middle Ear Implants

- a) Bone conduction hearing aids vs bone conduction and middle ear implants
- b) Active and passive types and components
- c) Candidacy assessment for bone conduction hearing implants and middle ear implants
- d) Surgical Considerations, approaches and techniques, risk and complications
- e) Intra-Op monitoring and post -op fitting and assessment of benefit

Unit 5: Counseling and Care and Maintenance of Implantable Devices

- a) Pre-implant counseling and informed consent for children and adults
- b) Post-implant counseling for parents/caretakers of children using CI
- c) Post-implant counseling for adults using CI and significant others
- d) Care and maintenance of implantable devices
- e) Measuring outcome of implantable devices
- f) Rehabilitation methods and techniques for pre-lingual implantees.
- g) Rehabilitation methods and techniques for post lingual implantees
- h) Team involved in rehabilitation with implantable devices

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Practicum

- a) Perform real ear insertion measurements using different hearing aids (body level and ear level, hearing aids of different gains)
- b) Compare speech perception through conventional BTE and RIC hearing aids using a rating scale
- c) Watch videos of BAHA, middle ear implant, cochlear implant
- d) Create hypothetical cases (at least 5 different cases) who are candidates for cochlear implantation.
- e) Make protocol for recording an EABR
- f) List down the technological differences across different models of cochlear implants from different companies, their cost
- g) Observation of mapping
- h) Watching of videos on AVT
- i) Watch video on cochlear implant surgery

B6.4 M : Audiology in Practice

Hours 75 (45 + 15)

Marks 100 : Credits 4 (3 + 1)

Objectives: After completing the course, the student will be able to

- a) describe the highlights of legislations relating to hearing impairment and other disabilities
- b) incorporate ethical practices in professional service delivery. provide information on welfare measures, policies of government when needed, describe different strategies to create awareness of hearing impairment and programs to address them
- c) define the different clinical practice settings in audiology with reference to their requirement, protocols and role and responsibility of audiologist
- d) implement programs to measure noise and its impact on humans,
- e) plan strategies to address sequel of excessive noise exposure in industries and the community, and
- f) describe terminology, technology and methods used in tele practice, and their application in audiological service delivery

Unit 1: Scope, legislation and ethics in audiology

- a) Scope of practice in audiology (National – ISHA & International body - AAA)
- b) Professional ethics (ISHA)
- c) Legislations and conventions relating to disability: need and historical aspects
- d) Classification of hearing impairment and disability certification,
- e) Rehabilitation Council of India Act (1992) and its amendments
- f) Rights of Persons with Disability Act, 1995, 2016
- g) National Trust Act (1999)
- h) Right to Education (2012)
- i) Biwako Millennium framework (2003) and Salamanca Statement 1994, UNCRPD
- j) National Education Policy and rights of persons with disability
- k) Concept of barrier free access and universal design relating to individuals with hearing impairment

Unit 2: Hearing health and strategies for prevention of hearing impairment

- a) Epidemiology of hearing disorders
- b) ICD and ICF
- c) Levels of prevention: Primary, secondary and tertiary
- d) National programs and efforts national institutes
- e) Welfare measures by Government,
- f) Camps (planning, purpose, organizing, and providing remedial measures)
- g) Public education and information (media, radio broadcasts, street plays) Hearing health and prevention programs (hearing help line, dangerous decibels, online hearing tests etc.)

Unit 3: Audiological practice in different settings

- a) Audiological Private practice
- b) ENT clinics

- c) Pediatric / neonatology clinic/departments
- d) Neurology departments
- e) Factories and Industry
- f) Hearing aid dispensing center / hearing aid industry
- g) Rehabilitation centers such as DRC/CRCs
- h) Schools for the hearing impaired
- i) Cochlear implant clinics
- j) Multiple handicap habilitation center and others

Unit 4: Noise and hearing conservation in industry and community

- a) Introduction to noise, types
- b) Sources of noise in the industry and community
- c) Effects of noise in the auditory system (outer, middle and inner ear)
- d) Temporary threshold shift, permanent threshold shift, factors increasing the risk of NIHL
- e) Non-auditory effects of noise (physiological, psychological, stress, sleep, job productivity, and accidents)
- f) Legislations related to noise, permissible noise exposure levels, workers compensation, OSHA standards, Indian legislations related to noise
- g) Instrumentation, measurement and procedure for measuring noise in industry
- h) Instrumentation, measurement and procedure for measuring noise in community
- i) Hearing conservation program (HCP), steps, record keeping, Ear protective devices

Unit 5: Scope and practice of tele audiology

- a) Introduction to tele-health: definition, history of tele-health
- b) Terminologies-tele-health, tele medicine, tele practice
- c) Connectivity: internet, satellite, mobile data
- d) Methods of tele-practice-store and forward and real time
- e) Ethics and Regulations for tele-audiology
- f) Requirements/Technology for tele- audiology: Web based platforms, Video conferencing, infrastructure, Manpower at remote end and audiologist end, training assistants for tele-audiology Audiological screening using tele-technology : new born hearing screening, school screening, community screening, counseling
- g) Diagnostic audiological services using tele-technology : video otoscopy, pure tone audiometry, speech audiometry, oto acoustic emission, tympanometry, auditory brainstem response
- h) Intervention / aural rehabilitation using tele-technology: hearing aid counseling and troubleshooting, tinnitus, counseling, aural rehabilitation services, AVT, and counseling

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Practicum

- a) Undertake the activities such as ‘Dangerous decibel’ program (www.dangerousdecibels.org)
- b) Noise measurement and attenuation measurement of ear protection devices.
- c) Sound level meter measurement in different areas (generator room, audio rooms)
- d) Visit an audiologist in different practice settings and provide a report
- e) Administer ICF protocols for patients with different disorders
- f) Explore websites of national institutes, hearing aid companies, NGOs in disability field and describe the accessibility features and information provided
- g) Remote control a PC based audiology equipment connected to internet using any authorized desktop sharing software
- h) Develop one pamphlet/poster/ in local language that would address some aspect of audiology practice
- i) Perform Accessibility audit of your institute/centre and prepare a report
- j) Organize at least one camp in a remote rural area

B6.5 MO : Minor Compulsory

Hours 60

Marks 100 : Credits 4

- a) This is a Rehabilitation Council of India stipulated course with modules on ethics, computers, soft skills, citizenship values, among others.
- b) The syllabus for the course will be given by RCI itself.
- c) Examination is to be conducted by the participating institute itself, but marks shall be entered in the university marks card.

B6.6 M : Clinicals in Speech-language Pathology

Hours 90+

Marks 75 : Credits 3

General Considerations

- a) Clinical work should be primarily linked to the theory courses of the semester.
- b) After completion of clinical postings in Speech–language diagnostics, the student will have the concepts (know), ability to apply (know how), demonstrate skills (a clinical diary/logbook based on clinical reports/recordings) (show) and carry out the following on patients/client contact (do) the following:

Know

- a) Identify the cortical and subcortical language areas from the diagram/ model of the brain.
- b) Identify the cranial nerves involved in speech and swallowing mechanism, their origin, and insertion from an image/ model. Also, document the function of these nerves.
- c) Prepare a table of processes and components involved in various conceptual programming levels of speech production.
- d) Prepare a list of linguistic and non-linguistic characteristics of different types of aphasia.
- e) Explore software used for the management of motor speech disorders and adult language disorders.
- f) Procedures to assess motor speech disorders in adults
- g) Differential diagnosis of motor speech disorders in adults.
- h) Procedures to assess individuals with adult language disorders, and other related conditions.

Know-how

- a) Differentially diagnose speech and language characteristics in various types of aphasia.
- b) Differentially diagnose speech and language characteristics in aphasia and right hemisphere damage.
- c) Administer bilingual aphasia test on individuals with aphasia.
- d) Identify the signs of UMN and LMN lesion from video samples.
- e) Using ‘Darley, Aronson, and Brown’s (1969 a, b) speech clusters for different dysarthria’, prepare a profile of speech characteristics of 1 adult/ geriatric with dysarthria.
- f) Use MAAT- K/ MANAT-K/ MAFAT- K for the treatment of individuals with aphasia.
- g) Assess posture, breathing, speech, and swallowing in adults with motor speech disorders.
- h) To record a sample for analysis of language and speech skills in adults with cognitive communication disorders.
- i) To consult with inter-disciplinary medical/ rehabilitation team and counsel the individual/family regarding management options and prognosis.

Show

- a) Perform bedside screening for individuals with stroke/ TBI/ other neurological disorders.
- b) Perform bedside screening for individuals with dysphagia.
- c) Assess speech characteristics of individuals with aphasia using a standardised test tool.
- d) Assess speech characteristics of individuals with motor speech disorders using a standardized test tool (Include respiration, pitch, loudness, voice quality, resonance, articulation, prosody, DDK, intelligibility, and any other features)
- e) Assess cognitive-linguistic skills of neurotypical individuals and individuals with cognitive-communication disorders using a screening/ diagnostic tool. Compare the differences in characteristics of these individuals.
- f) Assess the quality of life of an individual with adult language disorder using a standard test tool (eg. SAQOL).
- g) Demonstrate one technique (based on EBP) for the treatment of individuals with aphasia.
- h) Counsel family members of an individual with aphasia/ dysarthria (Prepare a counseling checklist /guideline).
- i) Perform various oral motor exercises used for the treatment of dysarthria (Prepare steps involved for various oral motor exercises).
- j) Dysphagia assessment –minimum of 2 children and adults.
- k) Goals and activities for therapy (including AAC) based on assessment/ test results for adults with neuro-communication disorders.

Do

- a) Prepare a low-tech AAC for functional communication of individuals with aphasia/ apraxia or any other neurogenic communication disorders.
- b) Perform OPME, cranial nerve examination, and examination of reflexes on adults/ geriatrics with motor speech disorders. Compare between neurotypical adults and adults with neurological deficit (Check for strength, speed, accuracy, range, steadiness & tone of oral muscles)
- c) Bed side evaluation of individuals with cognitive communication disorders – Minimum of 2 individuals.
- d) Plan and give therapy for individuals with motor speech disorder.
- e) Plan and give therapy for individuals with adult language disorder.

B6.7 M : Clinicals in Audiology

Hours 90+

Marks 75 : Credits 3

After completion of clinical postings in Audiology, the student will have the concept (Know), ability to apply (Knowhow), demonstrate in a clinical diary/log book (Show), and perform (Do) the following on clinical population.

Know

- a) National and international standards related to noise exposure.
- b) Recommend appropriate treatment options such as speech reading, AVT, combined approaches etc.

Knowhow

- a) Carryout noise survey in Industry and community
- b) Carryout mapping of cochlear implant in infants and children using both objective and subjective procedures
- c) Troubleshoot cochlear implant

Show

- a) Analysis of objective responses like compound action potential, stapelial reflexes on at least 3 samples
- b) Comprehensive hearing conservation program for at least 1 situation

Do

- a) AVT on at least 3 children with hearing impairment
- b) Trouble shooting and fine tuning of hearing aids on at least 5 geriatric clients
- c) Programming of hearing aid on at least 5 geriatric clients and 3 children
- d) BOA on 5 children (<2 years)
- e) VRA on 2 children (6 month – 3 year)
- f) Conditioned play audiometry on 3 children (3-6 years)
- g) At least one activity for different stages involved in auditory training
- h) Carry out real ear insertion gain measurements on 5 clients
- i) Complete audiological report for 2 children and 2 adults with hearing loss and counsel the client/caretaker about hearing loss and further recommendations

Semesters 7 and 8

B7.1 M and B7.2 M : Clinicals in Speech-language Pathology (Exam at the end of 8th semester)

Hours: 600 - Marks: 100 - Credits : 20

General Consideration

Clinical internship provides clinical exposure to varied clinical population and experience in different set ups. The students would not only carry out greater quantum of work, but also work varied clinical populations and in different contexts. Internship will also provide greater opportunity for the students to liaise with professionals from allied fields. The intern is expected to demonstrate competence and independence in carrying out the following, among others:

General

- a) Diagnosis and management of speech, language, and swallowing disorders across the life span.
- b) Report evaluation findings, counsel, make appropriate referrals and liaise with professionals from related fields.
- c) Plan and execute intervention and rehabilitation programs for persons with speech language, communication, and swallowing disorders.
- d) Develop and maintain clinical documentation related to persons with speech-language, communication, and swallowing disorders
- e) Engage in community-related services such as camps, awareness programs specifically, and community-based rehabilitation activities, in general.
- f) Gain experience in different set-ups and be able to establish speech centers in different set-ups
- g) Advise on the welfare measures available for their clinical clientele and their families.
- h) Advise and fit appropriate aids and devices for the clinical population.
- i) Administer quality of life questionnaires on persons with communication disorders.
- j) Make appropriate referrals and liaise with professionals from related fields.
- k) Gain experience in different clinical set ups and be able to establish speech-language centers.
- l) Advise on the welfare measures available for their clinical clientele and their families.

B7.1 M and B7.2 M : Clinicals in Audiology
(Exam at the end of 8th semester)

Hours: 600 - Marks: 100 - Credits : 20

Clinical internship aims to provide clinical exposure and experience in different set ups. The students would not only carry out greater quantum of work, but also work with varied clinical populations and in different contexts. Internship will provide greater opportunity for the students to liaise with professionals from allied fields. The intern is expected to demonstrate that the objectives of the B.ASLP program have been achieved and show competence and independence in carrying out the following, among others:

- a) Carry out screening for hearing and balance problems across life span
- b) Assess and diagnose of hearing disorders across life span.
- c) Prepare audiological report, counsel and make appropriate referrals.
- d) Plan and execute intervention and rehabilitation programs for persons with hearing disorders
- e) Document records related to persons with hearing disorders
- f) Engage in community related services such as camps, awareness programs specifically, and community based rehabilitation activities, in general.
- g) Make appropriate referrals and liaise with professionals from related fields.
- h) Be able to establish Audiology clinics in different set-ups
- i) Advise on the welfare measures available for their clinical clientele and their families.
- j) Advise and fit appropriate aids and devices for their clinical population.

**Guidelines for Implementation of Clinical Internship of B.ASLP Program
(Effective from the Academic Session 2024-25)**

Objectives of the clinical internship are to:

- a) facilitate transition from academic training to independent practice,
- b) provide additional inputs to students to attain and maintain competence in the clinical management of persons with communication disorders,
- c) equip students with skills to initiate group and individual action focusing on prevention/early identification and intervention in individuals with speech, hearing and language impairments at the level of the individual, family and community, and
- d) provide training to understand professional responsibilities and ethical practices including :
 - i) Rights and dignity of patients.
 - ii) Consultation and referral to other professionals.
 - iii) Conduct and professional obligations to peers/patients/families and the community at large.

Guidelines

- 1) Internship is mandatory
- 2) Duration: One academic year (10 months) split into two semesters (7 and 8).
- 3) Eligibility: Clinical internship will start immediately after the candidate completes the academic and clinical training till the 6th semester. However, this clause on eligibility shall be read and interpreted in consonance with Clause 9.2 under Clinical Internship of the Rules and Regulations (Page 6)
- 4) Structure and duration of posting
 - a) The respective parent institutions shall decide on the institutions where their students will be posted for internship. However, students can be posted for internship only at those institutions approved by the Rehabilitation Council of India.
 - b) Students shall do their clinical internship at an institute(s) outside the parent institute for the duration of at least one semester. Internship can be done at institutes like hospitals, special educational centers/schools, centers where clinical facilities for management of ASD, cochlear implantation, AVT etc. are available, centers which undertake empowering of mothers, centers for CP, and centers for LD, etc. Attempts must be made to provide clinical training to students in a variety of set ups.
 - c) The institutions shall attempt to provide additional clinical training to students in such areas as management of neurologically afflicted persons, prevention and early intervention programs, community based rehabilitation, occupational health programs, structural abnormalities related to speech and hearing, etc.

- 5) Mode of supervision during internship: A speech-language pathologist and audiologist shall generally supervise students even in outside postings. However, a specialist from an allied area like otolaryngology, neurology, mental health, pediatrics, among others, can supervise the students in the absence of a speech-language pathologist/audiologist.
- 6) Maintenance of records by students: Every student shall maintain records of the number of hours of clinical work in different areas, clinical statistics, and work carried out in each institute. This should be certified by the head of the institution or his/her nominee where the student is undergoing internship.
- 7) Leave: Candidates should have an attendance of at least 90% during the internship period. Internship shall be extended by the number of days the student falls short of 90% attendance. Compensatory work for shortage of attendance, if feasible, must be completed before the final clinical exams at the end of 8th semester.
- 8) Stipend and fees: As per the norms of the parent as well as receiving institute.
- 9) Grading and evaluation of student: All internees will be assessed based on their attendance, performance in the postings and presentation of log books. The mode of assessment and frequency of assessment will be prescribed by the institute. The student is required to repeat those postings in which his/her performance is below 40%.
- 10) Certification: The parent institute will award a certificate after successful completion of the internship and clinical examination (7.1 and 7.2 in the Scheme of examination). Supervised clinical hours spent during internship shall be included in the clinical competence certificate issued to students.
- 11) The University shall award the degree only after the successful completion of clinical internship and the final clinical exams thereafter.