BSc in Speech & Hearing Sciences

JUPAS code: BSc (SPEECH) 6157

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Outline

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The profession of speech-language pathology



What do speech-language therapists do?





What populations do we serve?

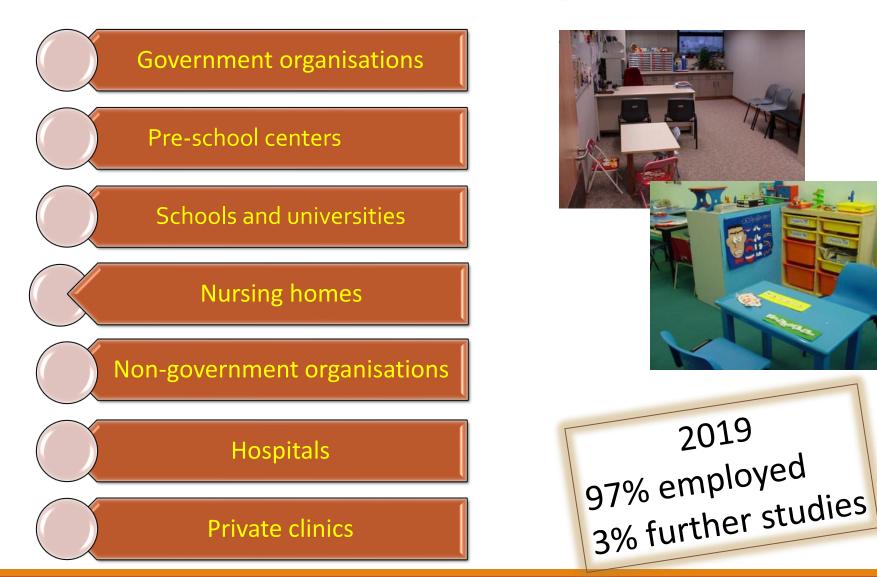
People across the life span

Different clinical populations

- Autism Spectrum Disorder
- Down syndrome
- Intellectual disabilities
- Stroke
- Cancer ...



Work settings



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2019

Employment sectors

Sectors	2019	2018	2017
Non-governmental organisations	37%	49%	36%
Educational institutions	27%	27%	24%
Civil service / Hospital authority	19%	9%	15%
Private practice	14%	11%	21%
Others (further studies)	3%	4%	4%

Data from Careers Education and Placement Center & BSc programme of Speech & Hearing Sciences, HKU



Basic monthly salary

	2019	2018	2017
Mean	31,370	29,549	29,763
Median	31,685	30,000	30,000
Min.	13,000	14,000	22,000
Max.	35,000	35,000	32,470

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How to become a speech-language therapist?







BSc in Speech & Hearing Sciences 5 YEARS, FULL-TIME

The curriculum



Translational learning

Goals



- Become independent, critical and reflective thinkers
- Able to integrate and apply their knowledge and skills to provide evidence-based and person-centered services
- Become self-directed learners and have the abilities to pursuit life-long learning

Curriculum structure



Year	Course Contents	Delivery Methods	
1	Human Development, Clinical Linguistics, Introduction to Communication Disorders, Anatomy & Physiology Common Core Curriculum, University English	Classrooms	
2	Evidence-based Practice, Research Methods & Statistics, Neurology, Cognition, Speech Science, Common Core Curriculum, English for SHS Introduction to Clinical Practice		Clinical observations
3	Speech & Language Development and Disorders, Audiology, Voice disorders, Complex Cases, Fluency, Laryngectomy & Craniofacial Disorders Pediatric Clinical Practicum	Classrooms	Clinical placements
4	Adult Communication & Swallowing Disorders, Complex Cases, Adult Clinical Practicum		
5	Inter-professional Practice, Multilingualism Research in Human Development & Communication Disorders Advanced Clinical Practicum	Classrooms Capstone experience: Final year research project + Clinical placements	



Clinical practica

Supervised

In a variety of settings, including the internal clinic,

external sites and hospitals

Emphasise evidence-based and scientific practice





Our clinic



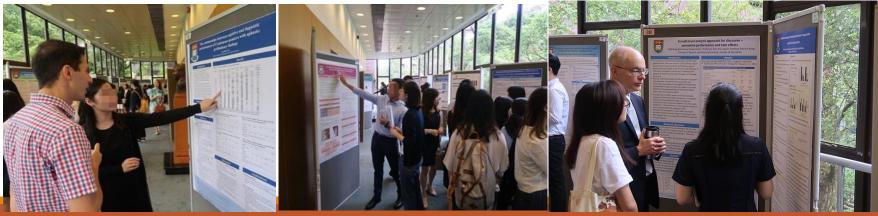
• Internal clinic at the Kennedy Town Centre



Final year research project

- Complete a research project
- Submit a proposal and a research report
- Give a presentation







Professional recognition

The programme is fully endorsed by the Hong Kong Institute of Speech Therapists

Graduates are qualified speech therapists upon graduation.

They are eligible to apply to be Member of Register of Speech Therapists accredited by the Department of Health Admissions requirements and application procedures



Admissions requirements

48 places

No fixed quota for JUPAS and non-JUPAS applicants

Must attend an interview

Include a personal statement in the application





JUPAS admissions requirements 2021

- Only consider applicants who have put our programme in their **Band A** choices
- Best 6 subjects (https://admissions.hku.hk/apply/jupas)
 - ✓ Level 4 or above in English*
 - Level 3 or above in HKDSE Biology / Combined Science with a Biology component
 - Check our JUPAS website for updated information on the DSE admissions scores in the past years.
 - ✓ The requirements for 2022-2023 are under review. Check the website.

Must attend an interview (June 18, 2021)



Non-JUPAS admissions requirements

Mainly consider applicants who have listed us as their First Choice

Proficient in English and Cantonese, written Chinese

Must have a Biology component

Case-by-case basis

Interviews for short-listed candidates (Dec 2020)



How to prepare yourself?

Online search for information

- <u>BSc in Speech and Hearing Sciences</u>, HKU
- JUPAS admissions at HKU
- Hong Kong Association of Speech Therapists
- <u>Video and information on communication disorders and different clinical populations</u> (e.g., <u>https://www.youtube.com/clashku</u>)

Volunteer opportunities at related organisations

Talk with current SHS students or speech therapists

• <u>Facebook of Speechians' Action</u> – A service group run by students in our programme



自閉症學生語言溝通的強和弱





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在主流小學上課的自閉症學生通常具備基本的學 習能力。然而,在繁忙的課堂中,這些學生會遇 到哪些困難?家長及教師應使用甚麼方法以支援 自閉症學生,讓他們在學習上發揮得更好?

日期:2021年6月26日(星期六) 時間:上午10時至上午11時30分 形式:以ZOOM Webinar進行 講者:香港大學教育學院溝通、發展與資訊 科學學部副教授杜潔森博士

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