

DIPLOMA IN SPEECH AND HEARING SCIENCES

Overview

NFQ Level 6, Minor Award

Non-Clinical Exit Pathway for Students not proceeding to Third Year Speech and Language Therapy

The **Diploma in Speech and Hearing Sciences**, NFQ Level 6, is an alternative diploma pathway for students who do not satisfy the pass standard for the practice placement module SL2008. For students who do not pass SL2008 in Year 2 of the BSc (Hons) Speech and Language Therapy (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/bscslt/>) at either the Summer Examinations or the Autumn Supplemental Examinations or at the first attempt in a Repeat year, the student will re-register for the alternative pathway. Such students may opt to register instead for the non-clinical Diploma in Speech and Hearing Sciences. To complete the Diploma in Speech and Hearing Sciences, a student must pass all modules (except SL2008) for the second BSc Speech and Language Therapy Examinations and achieve a pass in the independent study module SL2002 (10 credits). The Diploma in Speech and Hearing Sciences does not confer eligibility to practice as a Speech and Language Therapist.

Programme Requirements

For information about modules, module choice, options and credit weightings, please go to Programme Requirements (p. 1).

Programme Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
Year 1 - Speech and Language Therapy		
Students take 60 credits as follows:		
<i>Core Modules</i>		
AN1061	Anatomy of Speech and Hearing	5
PL1025	Fundamentals of Physiology	5
SL1004	Communication, Learning and Behaviour across the Lifespan	5
SL1005	Preparation for Academic and Professional Learning	5
SL1006	Language Acquisition	5
SL1007	Speech, Hearing and Swallowing Sciences I	10
SL1008	Introduction to Language Studies	5
SL1009	Introduction to Communication Disorders I	10
SL1010	Introduction to Communication Disorders II	10
Year 2 - Speech and Hearing Sciences		
Students take 60 credits as follows:		
<i>Core Modules</i>		
AN2061	Neuroanatomy and Embryology for Speech and Language Therapy	5
CT2001	Introduction to Research Methods	5
SL2002	Independent Study in Communication Disorders	10
SL2003	Speech, Hearing and Swallowing Sciences II	5
SL2007	Language Sciences II	5
SL2009	Communication Disorders in Children I	15

SL2010	Communication Disorders in Children II	15
Total Credits		120

Examinations

Full details and regulations governing Examinations for each programme will be contained in the *Marks and Standards Book* and for each module in the *Book of Modules*.

Programme Learning Outcomes

Programme Learning Outcomes for Diploma in Speech and Hearing Sciences (NFQ Level 6, Minor Award)

On successful completion of this programme, students should be able to:

- Describe typical and atypical language, speech and swallowing throughout the lifespan;
- Compare and contrast current literature evaluating the fields of physics, linguistics, psychology, anatomy, physiology and health sciences relating to the treatment, management and prevention of disorders of communication and swallowing;
- Effectively transcribe and analyse speech, language and swallowing samples using various transcription and analytic methods.