

<h2 style="margin: 0;">Speech-Language Pathology Graduate Program</h2> <h3 style="margin: 0;">THESIS TRACK CURRICULUM</h3>
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FALL 1	SPRING 1
CSD 501 Neuro Bases Comm (3)	CSD 512 School Age Lang & Literacy (3)
CSD 502 Research in SLP (3)	CSD 540 Seminar in Acq Brain Injury (2)
CSD 507 Speech Science & Instrument (2)	CSD 546 Seminar in Aphasia (3)
CSD 511 Lang Devel & Disorders :Birth-5 (3)	CSD 547 Seminar in Artic and Phonology (3)
ED 579 Adv Clinical Practice (1)	ED 579 Adv Clinical Practice (1)
CSD 531 Independent Study (1) (Graduate Research IA)	CSD 531 Independent Study or (1) (Graduate Research IB)
	CSD 500 Thesis I (2)
13 Hours	13-14 Hours

SUMMER SESSION I	SUMMER SESSION II
CSD 534 Motor Speech Disorders (3)	CSD 539 AAC (3)
CSD 549 Assessment of CLD Populations (2)	CSD 542 Cleft Palate and Syndromes (2)
ED 579 Adv Clinical Practice (1)	ED 579 Adv Clinical Practice (1)
CSD 500 Thesis I or II (1-2)	CSD 500 Thesis II or III (1)
Thesis committee approval required to move beyond 3 credits of CSD 500	Thesis committee approval required to move beyond 3 credits of CSD 500
8-9 Hours	7 Hours

FALL 2	SPRING 2
CSD 514 Professional Issues (2)	ED 579 Extern Adult (8 wks) (9)
CSD 530 Intro to Dysphagia (3)	ED 579 Extern School (8 wks)
CSD 543 Seminar in Stuttering (2)	-
CSD 545 Seminar in Voice Disorders (3)	-
ED 579 Adv Clinical Practice (2)	-
CSD 500 Thesis III or IV (1)	CSD 500 Thesis IV or V (1)
14 Hours	10 Hours

Instructions for Students Who Are Considering Writing a Masters Thesis

Students who are considering writing a thesis must enroll in CSD 531 Graduate Research IA in the first Fall semester of graduate school. (Complete by December of 1st Fall)

- CSD 531 Graduate Research IA Requirements
 - **Exploratory Proposal Paper I**
 - Develop research questions
 - Complete an Introduction section
 - Complete a Literature Review section
 - Complete a Methodology section

Some students may move quickly through the exploratory stage and make a firm decision to complete a thesis in their topic area. These students can begin the Prospectus stage while enrolled in CSD 531.

- **Prospectus Stage**
 - Select thesis committee
 - Complete first three chapters of thesis (i.e. Prospectus)
 - Introduction Chapter
 - Literature Review Chapter
 - Methodology Chapter
 - Begin Internal Review Board (IRB) process

For those students, who have not made a commitment to pursue the thesis track, but want to explore a new topic, they can complete a second exploratory paper in CSD 531 Graduate Research IB. (Complete by May of 1st Spring)

- CSD 531 Graduate Research IB Requirements
 - **Exploratory Proposal Paper II**
 - Develop new research questions
 - Complete Introduction section
 - Complete Literature Review section
 - Establish Methodology section

Some students may move quickly through the exploratory stage and make a firm decision to complete a thesis in their topic area. These students can begin the Prospectus stage while enrolled in CSD 531. (Complete by May of 1st Spring)

- **Prospectus Stage**
 - Select thesis committee
 - Complete first three chapters of thesis (i.e. Prospectus)
 - Introduction Chapter
 - Literature Review Chapter
 - Methodology Chapter
 - Begin Internal Review Board (IRB) process

Those students who have completed CSD 531 Graduate Research IA or CSD 531 Graduate Research IB and want to pursue the thesis track will enroll in CSD 500 Thesis I for 2 credits. Some students may have begun their Prospectus Stage earlier and may have already completed some of the following requirements. (Complete by Summer of 1st Year)

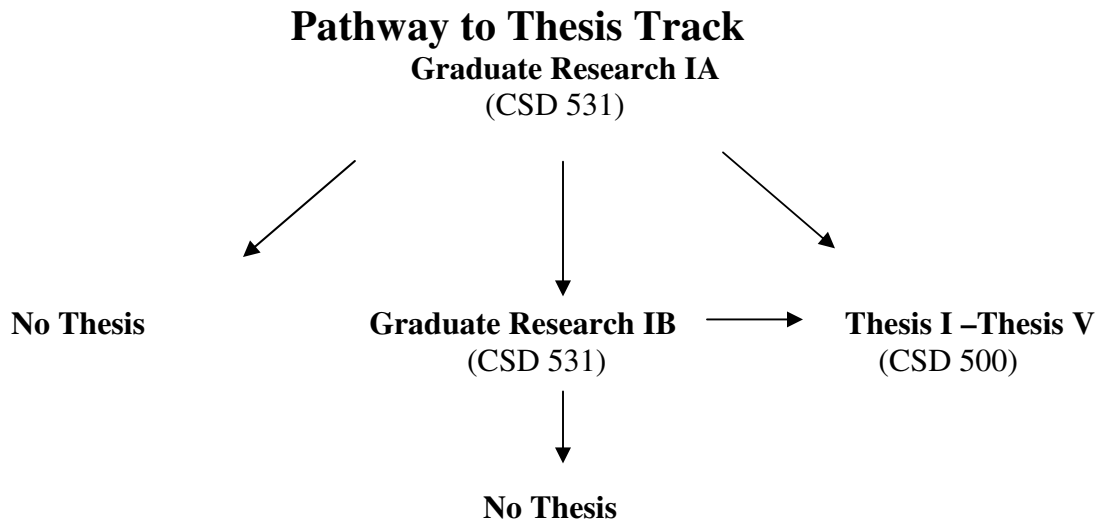
- CSD 500 Thesis I Requirements
 - Select departmental thesis committee.
 - Have Prospectus approved by departmental thesis committee.
 - Complete IRB proposal.
 - Receive IRB approval by all institutions/agencies related to project [e.g. internal (department), external (University of Montevallo, School District, Hospital etc.).]
 - Begin collection of data.
 - Attend monthly Brown Bag Lunch with students/faculty to discuss thesis progress.
 - Present an end of semester oral Report of Thesis Progress to thesis committee.
 - Mandatory meeting with thesis committee prior to data analysis stage to discuss data analysis plan.

Students on the thesis track will continue to take CSD 500 for one credit each semester until thesis is completed.

- CSD 500 I – V Requirements
 - Enroll in CSD 500 each semester for one unit
 - Some students may complete the thesis in less than 6 credits of CSD 500.
 - **Students must receive thesis committee approval to continue beyond 3 credits of CSD 500.**
 - Present an end of semester oral Report of Thesis Progress to thesis committee.
 - Attend monthly Brown Bag Lunch with students/faculty to discuss thesis progress.
 - Follow all Graduate School Office instructions for preparation of theses.
 - Submit thesis by deadline dates published in the Graduate School calendar.
 - Deadline to file *Application for Graduation Form*.
 - Deadline for Thesis First Review by the Graduate School.
 - Deadline for Thesis Defense.
 - Deadline for Submission of Thesis to Dean.

Other Thesis Track Program Information

- Thesis Track is approximately two years in length.
- All students enrolled in CSD 531(Graduate Research IA) must be concurrently enrolled in CSD 502 during Fall 1.
- Students must complete all required coursework for ASHA accreditation.
- Students must complete all required clinical hours for ASHA accreditation.
- Students on theses track should consider local site 16 week externship



Overview of Thesis Track

FALL I

- A. Graduate Research IA with CSD 502 Research in SLP course.

SPRING I

- A. All students must have completed the Research Methods course by SPRING I to continue on the thesis track.
- B. Graduate Research IB (Students who *do not* want to pursue their initial proposal, but want to complete a second proposal).
- C. Thesis I (Students who want to pursue a thesis with original proposal from Graduate Research IA or Graduate Research IB).

SUMMER I & II/ FALL II & SPRING II

- A. Continue thesis until completion.
- B. Complete all required coursework for ASHA accreditation.
- C. Complete all required clinical hours for ASHA accreditation.