

ASHA CERTIFICATION & RELATED INFORMATION

When are you eligible to start your Clinical Fellowship?

- After you have completed your Program of Study, that is, all curriculum requirements, including undergraduate course work, masters course work and clinical practicum.
- It is your responsibility to be familiar with ASHA certification requirements, especially undergraduate course work requirements. <http://www.asha.org/Certification/2014-Speech-Language-Pathology-Certification-Standards/>
- Note that your clinical fellowship will be invalid if you have not completed your Program of study prior to starting the CF, including undergraduate course work (<http://www.asha.org/Certification/Course-Content-Areas-for-SLP-Standards/>)

Departmental signature on ASHA application form

- This form is signed by the director of the MA program, Dr. Faroqi-Shah.
- You are eligible to get your ASHA application form signed after you have completed all curriculum requirements, including undergraduate course work, masters course work and clinical practicum.
- Fill out your ASHA application (<http://www.asha.org/uploadedFiles/2014-SLP-CCC-Application-Standards.pdf>) and Knowledge and Skills Acquisition (KASA) form FULLY and check it for accuracy. We have a model form that uses University of Maryland courses as examples to guide you in filling out your form (see the MA student web site <http://hesp.umd.edu/content/knowledge-and-skills-acquisition-kasa-form-and-instructions>). PLEASE READ the instructions and the sample before filling out the application. Remember that some of your knowledge and skills may have been achieved through your candidacy research or practicum, not just in individual classes.
- The Department keeps a permanent copy of the ASHA application in your files for your future employment inquiries and re-accreditation audits. ASHA does NOT keep a copy of the application. Please fill it out completely and neatly. Dr. Yasmeen Faroqi-Shah will NOT sign off on incomplete applications, even though only the end pages must be submitted to ASHA. ***This means you must fill out all coursework and clock hour information. Forms will not be signed without this information.***
- You must submit these forms TOGETHER WITH the other pages of the ASHA Certification application to Ms. Valerie Brownlee. She will forward these forms to Dr. Yasmeen Faroqi-Shah for review and signature. The signed forms will be emailed or mailed to you, depending on your preference.

Praxis exam

- The praxis exam can be taken any time before you apply for ASHA certification. Students typically take this during their final semester in the program. <https://www.ets.org/praxis/asha/requirements>
- Please list the University of Maryland as a recipient of your NTE ASHA exam scores. Please use the number R0131. There are additional codes for University of Maryland, but your report will not come to the Department unless you use this code.

Contact Information

- Please provide the department with your forwarding address if you will be moving after graduation, as well as your non-umd email address. We encourage you to join the HESPTerps email list to keep up with us.

Clinical Fellowship Information

- Please notify Ms. Valerie Brownlee of your CFY site as soon as you know it. This information is collected for both ASHA accreditation and by the University to demonstrate program outcomes.

OTHER LINKS

- **SLP Certification Standards:** <http://www.asha.org/Certification/2014-Speech-Language-Pathology-Certification-Standards/>
- **How to Apply for Certification in SLP:**
<http://www.asha.org/certification/SLPCertification.htm> **Application for Certificate of Competence (SLP):** <http://www.asha.org/uploadedFiles/2005-SLP-CCC-Application.pdf>
- **Knowledge and Skills Acquisition Form (KASA):**
<http://hesp.umd.edu/content/knowledge-and-skills-acquisition-kasa-form-and-instructions>
- **Praxis Exam:** <http://www.asha.org/Certification/praxis/About-the-Speech-Language-Pathology-Praxis-Exam/>
- **ASHA Code of Ethics:** <http://www.asha.org/policy/ET2010-00309.htm?LangType=1033>
- **ASHA State-by-State Guidelines:** <http://www.asha.org/advocacy/state/>
- **Maryland Licensure Qualifications for SLP:**
<http://www.mdboardaudhadslp.org/html/professionals/speechqual.htm>