Admission
Although a B.A./B.S. in the field is not required for admission to the clinical M.A. or Au.D. programs, recommended background includes undergraduate credit in the following areas or their equivalents: phonetics, anatomy and physiology of the speech and hearing mechanism, hearing science, speech science, speech pathology, audiology, and aural rehabilitation. The M.A. and Au.D. programs begin in the fall only.

See more information about admissions (https://ahs.illinois.edu/shs-grad-admissions/).

Graduate Teaching Experience
Although teaching is not a general Graduate College requirement, experience in teaching is considered an important part of the graduate experience in this program.

for the degree of Master of Arts in Speech & Hearing Science

In the Master of Arts degree program, students learn about speech-language pathology in medical and educational settings, as well as speech, language and hearing science. This degree may be taken as either a terminal degree or as preparation for further graduate study, including a doctoral degree. For students seeking a terminal degree, the Master of Arts program may be designed with or without clinical practicum experience.

The clinical program ensures clinical competence in speech-language pathology necessary for employment in a healthcare and educational settings, private practice, or industry. Successful completion of this program ensures that the student has met the academic and clinical requirements for the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) certification and can choose to pursue the Illinois state certification required for speech-language pathology in the public schools. The program is accredited by the Council on Academic Accreditation in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology. The clinical MA program requires a minimum of 60 graduate hours. All students in the clinical program are required to take the following courses:

For additional details and requirements refer to the department's graduate programs (https://ahs.illinois.edu/master-of-arts-in-speech-%26-hearing-science-clinical/) and the Graduate College Handbook (http://www.grad.illinois.edu/gradhandbook/).
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