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Bachelor of Science in Speech-Language Pathology

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BSc (SLP) Programme

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Speech-language pathology

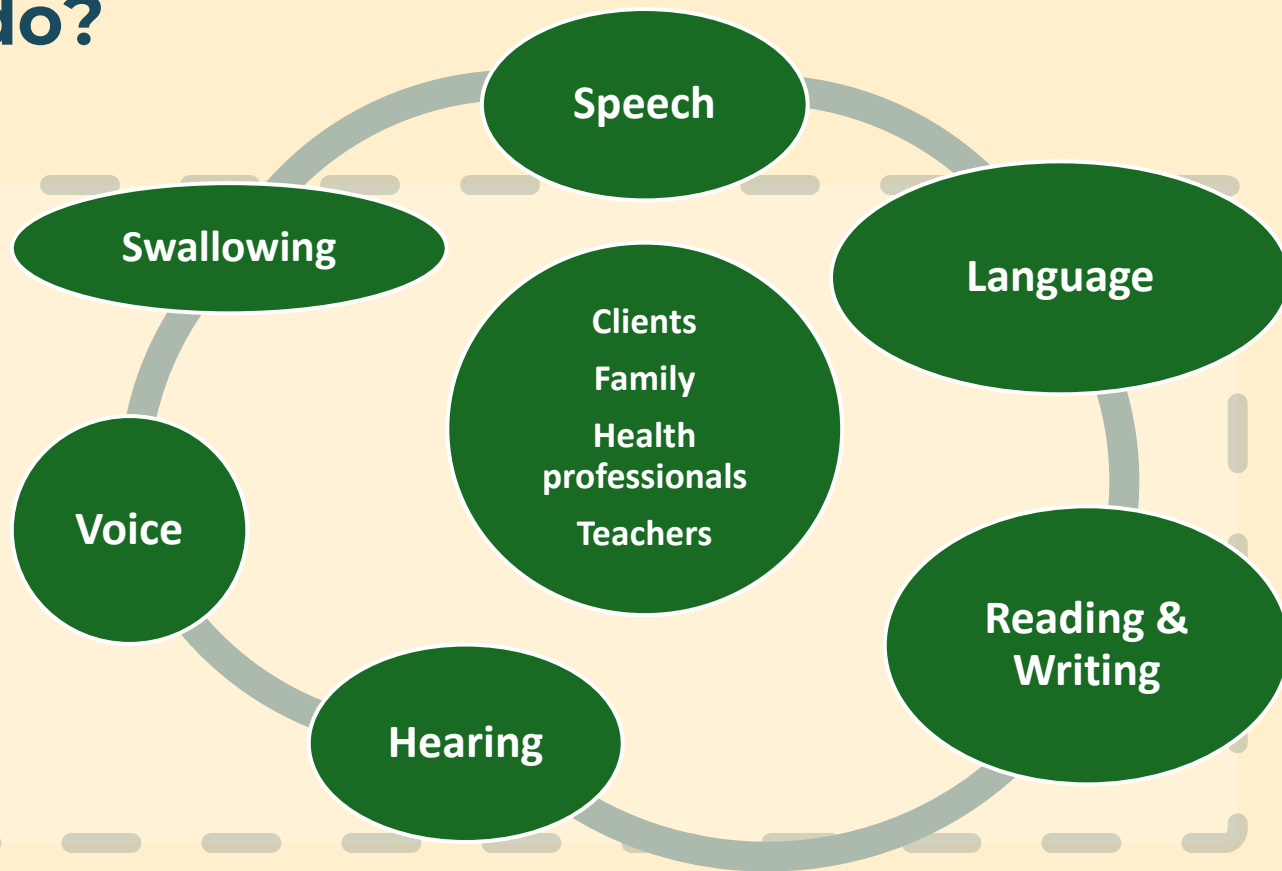
What do speech-language pathologists (SLPs) do?

Where do SLPs work?

Where did our graduates go?



What do we do?



Who do we serve?

- People across the life span (from newborn to elderly).
- Different clinical populations:
 - Autism Spectrum Disorder
 - Down syndrome
 - Intellectual disabilities
 - Stroke
 - Parkinson's disease
 - Cancer



Where do we work?



Government
organisations



Pre-school
centers



Schools and
universities



Non-government
organisations



Nursing homes



Hospitals



Private clinics



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Employment sectors

Sectors	2023	2022	2021
Community, Social & Personal Services (NGOs, nursing homes, private clinics)	68.4%	65.8%	46.3%
Educational Institutions (Mainstream schools, special schools)	31.6%	26.3%	36.6%
Civil Service (Hospital Authority, Education Bureau)	0%	5.3%	17.1%



Number of Job Offer Received

Number of offer	2023	2022	2021
1	27.8%	29.7%	15%
2-4	55.6%	62.1%	72.5%
5 or above	16.7%	8.1%	12.5%



Basic monthly salary 2023 (in HKD)

	BSc(SLP)	HKU Overall
Mean	34,968	30,821
Median	35,388	25,000
Minimum	30,000	8,424
Maximum	40,000	140,000



Monthly salary 2024 (Hospital Authority)

Entry level	Starting	Maximum
Speech therapist	39,485	87,341
Physiotherapist II	35,795	57,842
Occupational therapist II	35,795	57,842
Radiographer II	35,795	57,842



Some did further studies...

Research

Master of Philosophy
(MPhil)



Doctor of
Philosophy (PhD)*



Professor

Clinical

Audiology
(Master degree)



**Clinical
Audiologist**

Psychology
(Master degrees)



**Clinical
Psychologist
or
Educational
Psychologist**



How to become a speech-language pathologist?





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BSc (Speech-language pathology)

- 5 years, full-time



The curriculum



Translational learning

- Become independent and critical thinkers.
- Able to integrate and apply their knowledge and skills to provide evidence-based and person-centered services.
- Have the abilities to pursuit life-long learning.



Curriculum structure

Year	Course Content	Delivery Methods	
1	Human Development, Clinical Linguistics, Introduction to Communication Disorders, Anatomy & Physiology. Common Core Curriculum, University English.	Lectures & workshops	Clinical observations
2	Speech Science, Neurology, Cognition, Evidence-based Practice, Research Methods & Statistics, Introduction to Clinical Practice. Common Core Curriculum, English for SHS.		
3	Speech & Language Development and Disorders, Audiology, Voice disorders, Complex Cases, Fluency, Laryngectomy & Craniofacial Disorders Pediatric Clinical Practicum.		Clinical placements
4	Aphasia, Motor Speech Disorders, Swallowing Disorders, Complex Cases, Adult Clinical Practicum.		
5	Inter-professional Practice, Multilingualism. Capstone courses: i) Research in Human Development & Communication Disorders, & ii) Advanced Clinical Practicum.	Lectures & workshops, Research	



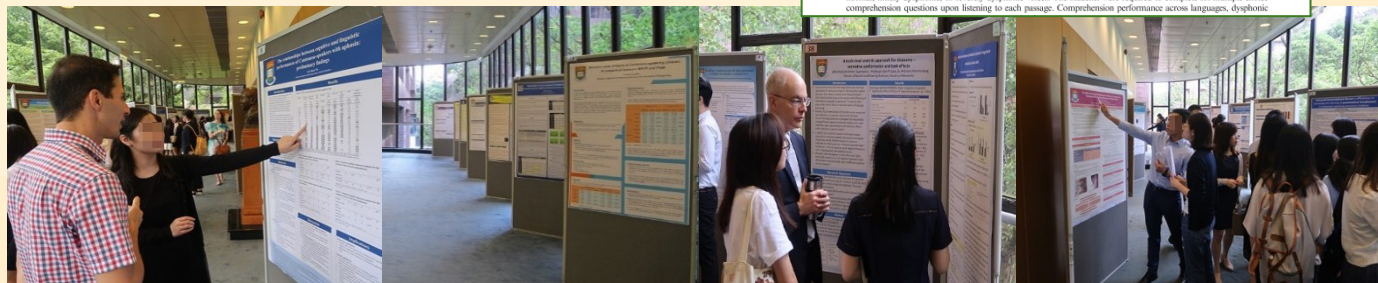
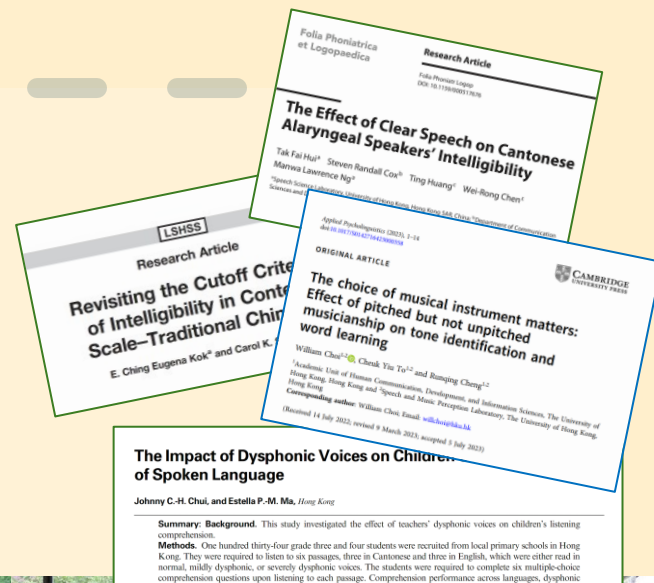
Experiential learning

- Embedded in coursework.
- Visits at external organizations, clinics and schools.
- Simulation clinic.
- Events (e.g., School Fun Day, Green Voice Day, World Swallowing Day).
- Overseas clinical experience.



Final year research project (Capstone)

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

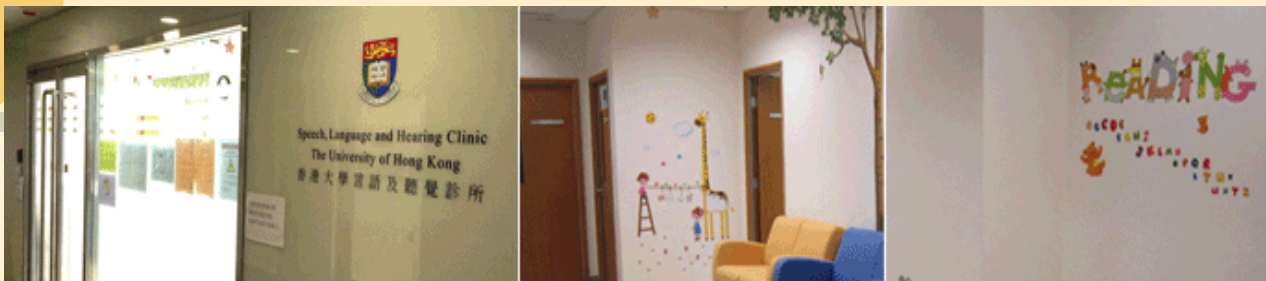


Clinical practicum

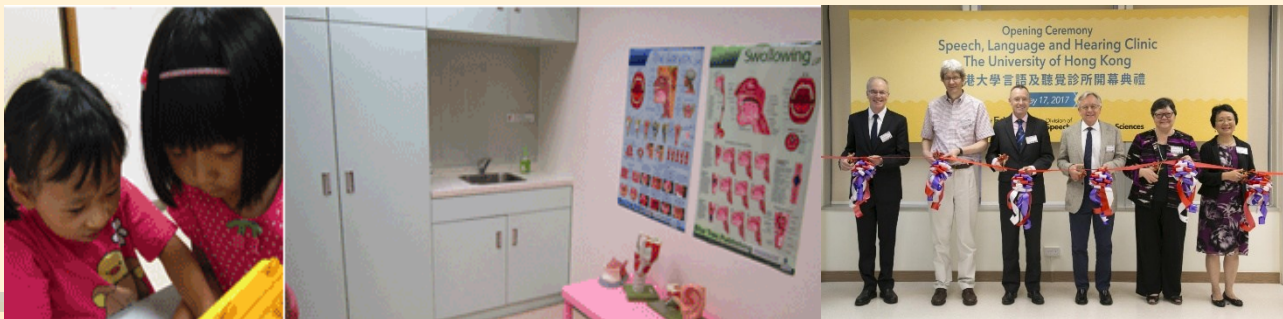
- Complete more than 300 hours of direct client contact under the supervision of an experienced clinical educator.
- Emphasize evidence-based and scientific practice.
- In a variety of settings, including the internal clinic, external sites and hospitals.



Our clinic



Speech, Language and Hearing Clinic at Kennedy Town Centre (KTC)



Professional recognition

- The programme is fully endorsed by the Hong Kong Institute of Speech Therapists (HKIST).
- 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”.





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THANK YOU