

## Doctor of Audiology (AuD)

### *Entry-level residential program fact sheet with student outcome data*

#### **A.T. Still University**

Home of the world's first osteopathic medical school, founded in 1892, A.T. Still University (ATSU) is a renowned healthcare education and training university and a leading educator in multidisciplinary whole person healthcare. ATSU's schools include Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine, School of Osteopathic Medicine in Arizona, Arizona School of Health Sciences, Arizona School of Dentistry & Oral Health, Missouri School of Dentistry & Oral Health, and the online College of Graduate Health Studies.

#### **Arizona School of Health Sciences**

Arizona School of Health Sciences (ATSU-ASHS), located in Mesa, Arizona, offers doctoral and master of science degrees in a wide range of healthcare disciplines and strives to advance healthcare by educating compassionate, competent healthcare professionals. The School's interdisciplinary and technology emphasis, with incorporation of a philosophy of wholeness and treatment of body, mind, and spirit, creates an excellent professional educational environment.

#### **Doctor of Audiology (AuD)**

Audiology is the science of hearing and the study of audiovestibular processes. Audiologists are healthcare professionals trained in the development, anatomy, physiology, and pathology of the audiovestibular system, as well as the evaluation, rehabilitation, and psychology of hearing and balance impairment. In addition, audiologists provide counseling and training in the use of amplification devices and the remediation of hearing and vestibular disorders.

#### **Requirements for admission**

1. Applicants accepted for admission into the entry-level Doctor of Audiology program will have earned a baccalaureate degree from an accredited undergraduate institution.
2. Applicants must have achieved an overall undergraduate grade-point average of 2.70 or an overall grade-point average of 3.00 in the final 60 semester hours of undergraduate study (on a 4.00 scale).
3. Applicants must have achieved a grade-point average of 2.50 in undergraduate science courses (on a 4.00 scale).
4. Applicants are expected to be computer literate and experienced in word processing. All curricula require extensive computer usage.
5. Students must obtain and maintain CPR certification. Verification must be submitted to ASHS prior to enrollment.
6. Applicants are required to submit complete and official scores for one of the following tests: Graduate Record Examination (GRE), Dental Aptitude Test (DAT), Optometry Aptitude Test (OAT), Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT), or Miller's Analogies Test (MAT). This requirement will be waived for those applicants who have earned a graduate degree from an accredited institution. Test scores are required and reviewed as part of the application process; however, there are no minimum or cut-off scores used for the test data. The GRE code for ASHS is 3743 (there is no department code).
7. Applicants must submit three letters of recommendation. Letters of recommendation must be submitted for each application year.
8. Applicants must submit a personal resume.
9. Applicants must complete all prerequisite courses by the end of the academic term prior to matriculation.
10. Applicants who are considered potential candidates will be required to participate in an interview. Personal interviews conducted on-site are preferred; however, interviews may also be conducted by telephone or video conference calling.
11. All students are required to demonstrate proficiency in English when applying to ASHS. You can find information on the methods by which you can demonstrate your English proficiency under admission and requirements on [atsu.edu/ashs](http://atsu.edu/ashs).

12. Applicants who wish to be considered for more than one ATSU-ASHS program must submit a separate application fee, official test scores required by each program, transcripts, and references. Acceptance to ATSU-ASHS is to a specific program and is not transferable to any other program. Application materials are not transferable from one application year to another.
13. Applicants are required to submit all official college or academic transcripts.
14. Applicants are required to submit to a criminal background check at their own expense.
15. Prerequisite coursework:
  - Biology – (e.g., biology, microbiology, anatomy, physiology, histology, cell biology, genetics) minimum of three semester/four quarter hours
  - English – (e.g., composition, grammar, literature) minimum of six semester/eight quarter hours
  - Humanities – (e.g., philosophy, religion, literature, fine arts, logic, ethics, foreign language, history) minimum of six semester/eight quarter hours
  - College Algebra or higher – minimum of three semester/four quarter hours
  - Social sciences – (e.g., general psychology, sociology, anthropology) minimum of nine semester/12 quarter hours
  - Physical science – (e.g., chemistry, physics, electronics, geology) minimum of three semester/four quarter hours

#### Graduating class of 2022 data

<b>Class size</b>	11
<b>Average age:</b>	25
<b>Undergraduate cumulative GPA</b>	3.36
<b>Undergraduate science GPA</b>	2.98
<b>Student to faculty ratio</b>	6:1
<b>Length of program</b>	4 years

#### On-time program completion rates

<b>Period (by grad year)</b>	<b># Completed within expected time frame</b>	<b># Completed later than expected time frame</b>	<b># Not completed</b>	<b>% Completed within expected time frame</b>
2017-18	9	0	1	90%
2016-17	12	0	0	100%
2015-16	13	0	0	100%
3-year average*				97.14%

\* Total # completed within expected time frame ÷ total # of students

#### Employment rates of graduates

<b>Reporting period*</b>	<b>Employment rate in profession</b>	
	<b># of graduates</b>	<b>% of graduates</b>
2017-18	12	100%
2016-17	13	100%
2015-16	12	100%
3-year average		100%

\* Note: The employment rate reporting period is not the year of graduation. The data for each reporting period should represent the individuals who graduated from the program one year prior.

#### Praxis examination pass rates of test-takers\*

<b>Reporting period</b>	<b># Taking exam</b>	<b># Passed exam</b>	<b>% Passed exam rate</b>
2017-18	12	12	100%
2016-17	10	9	90%
2015-16	16	15	93.75
3-year average			94.74%

\* The data above reflect the highest scores of test takers. The Praxis examination reporting period is the testing year or examination cycle, not the year of graduation for the test-takers. The data for each reporting period may include test-takers who graduated from the program within the prior three years.

## Application information

Applicants should apply by Feb. 1 to be included in the initial screening and selection process. All subsequent applications will be considered on a rolling admissions basis until remaining openings are filled. Program materials and online application are available at [atsu.edu/doctor-of-audiology-degree](http://atsu.edu/doctor-of-audiology-degree). For program-specific information, contact Teri Rorie at 480.219.6124 or [trorie@atsu.edu](mailto:trorie@atsu.edu).

## Tuition and expenses

Tuition for the Doctor of Audiology program for the 2018-19 academic year is \$23,862 per year for first-, second-, and third-year students. Tuition for fourth-year students for the 2018-19 academic year is \$22,362. There is also a \$1,150 per year educational supply fee. All tuition and fees are subject to change.

## Financial assistance

Financial support, including private and federal loans, is available for students accepted into the Doctor of Audiology program. Enrollment Services assists students in developing a comprehensive financial assistance package based on individual needs. Requests for information regarding loans and other financial assistance should be directed to [enrollmentservices@atsu.edu](mailto:enrollmentservices@atsu.edu). Scholarships, financial assistance, and Veterans Affairs information can be found on [atsu.edu/enrollment-services](http://atsu.edu/enrollment-services).

## Accreditation

A.T. Still University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission, 230 South LaSalle Street, Suite 7-500, Chicago, IL 60604-1413, phone 800.621.7440, email [info@hlcommission.org](mailto:info@hlcommission.org), website [hlcommission.org](http://hlcommission.org). Degree-granting authority for ASHS has been given by the Arizona State Board for Private Post-Secondary Education, 1400 W. Washington St., Room 260, Phoenix, AZ 85007, 602.542.5709. The ATSU entry-level Doctor of Audiology program is accredited by the Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology (CAA) of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association at 2200 Research Boulevard #310, Rockville, MD 20850, phone 800.498.2071 or 301.296.5700.

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AUDE 7330 Ethics in Audiology  
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AUDE 6260 Auditory Evoked Responses and  
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AUDE 6370 Vestibular Assessment and Treatment I  
AUDE 6460 Auditory Evoked Responses and  
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AUDE 8120 Speech and Language Disorders in Children

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