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2017-2018 Applicant Data Report

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Institutions Participating in CSDCAS

The 2017-2018 CSDCAS Applicant Data Report reflects data for the 146 universities that participated in CSDCAS. The additional programs that joined CSDCAS during the current cycle are not listed below or included in this report. To be eligible to participate in CSDCAS, programs must offer entry-level clinical graduate degrees in Speech-Language Pathology or Audiology. Programs must either have achieved or be in the process of pursuing accreditation from the CAA or ACAE.

Speech-Language Pathology Participants

Abilene Christian University
Adelphi University
Andrews University
Auburn University
Baldwin Wallace University
Boston University
Bowling Green State University
California State University - Chico
California State University - Fullerton
California State University - Los Angeles
California State University - Sacramento
Calvin College
Case Western Reserve University
Central Michigan University
Chapman University
Cleveland State University
Duquesne University
Eastern Illinois University
Eastern Washington University
Edinboro University of Pennsylvania
Elmhurst College
Emerson College
Florida Atlantic University
Florida State University
Fontbonne University
Fort Hays State University
Georgia Southern University - Armstrong Campus
Georgia State University
Governors State University
Grand Valley State University

Harding University
Hofstra University
Howard University
Idaho State University
Illinois State University
Indiana State University
Iona College
Jackson State University
James Madison University
Kean University
La Salle University
Lamar University
Long Island University - Post
Long Island University - Brooklyn
Longwood University
Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center- New Orleans
Louisiana State University Health Shreveport
Loyola University Maryland
Marquette University
Marshall University
Mercy College
MGH Institute of Health Professions
Miami University
Midwestern University - Downer's Grove
Midwestern University - Glendale
Minnesota State University, Mankato
Misericordia University
Missouri State University
Monmouth University
Murray State University
New York Medical College
New York University
Northeastern University
Northern Arizona University
Northwestern University
Nova Southeastern University
Ohio University
Old Dominion University
Our Lady of the Lake University
Pace University
Pacific University
Portland State University
Purdue University

Radford University
Rockhurst University
Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions
Rush University
Sacred Heart University
Saint Mary's College
Saint Xavier University
Salus University
Samford University
San Diego State University
San Jose State University
Southeast Missouri State University
Southern Illinois University - Carbondale
Southern Illinois University - Edwardsville
St. Ambrose University
Stephen F. Austin University
Stockton University
SUNY Buffalo State
SUNY University at Buffalo
Syracuse University
Temple University
Tennessee State University
Texas Woman's University
The College of Saint Rose
The Ohio State University
The Pennsylvania State University
The University of Akron
The University of Cincinnati
The University of Iowa
The University of Northern Iowa
The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio
University of Arkansas - Fayetteville
University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences
University of Central Arkansas
University of Central Florida
University of Connecticut
University of Delaware
University of Florida
University of Georgia
University of Hawaii at Manoa
University of Memphis
University of Missouri
University of Montana

University of Montevallo
University of North Carolina Chapel Hill
University of Northern Colorado
University of Northern Colorado - Distance Program
University of Oregon
University of Pittsburgh
University of Redlands
University of South Alabama
University of South Carolina
University of South Florida
University of St. Augustine for Health Sciences
University of Tennessee
University of Texas - El Paso
University of the Pacific
University of Toledo
University of Vermont
University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire
University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee
University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point
University of Wisconsin - Whitewater
University of Wisconsin - River Falls
University of Wyoming
Wayne State University
West Chester University
West Virginia University
Western Illinois University
Western Michigan University
Wichita State University
William Paterson University

Audiology Participants

Auburn University
Central Michigan University
Idaho State University
Illinois State University
James Madison University
Lamar University
Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center-New Orleans
Missouri State University
Northwestern University
Ohio University

Pacific University
Purdue University
Rush University
Salus University
Samford University
San Diego State University
SUNY University at Buffalo
Syracuse University
The Ohio State University
The University of Akron
The University of Cincinnati
The University of Iowa
University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences
University of Florida
University of Memphis
University of North Carolina Chapel Hill
University of Northern Colorado
University of Pittsburgh
University of South Alabama
University of South Florida
University of Tennessee
University of the Pacific
Wayne State University
West Virginia University
Western Michigan University
Wichita State University

Figure 1: Number of Audiology Programs Participating in CSDCAS (2012 - 2018)
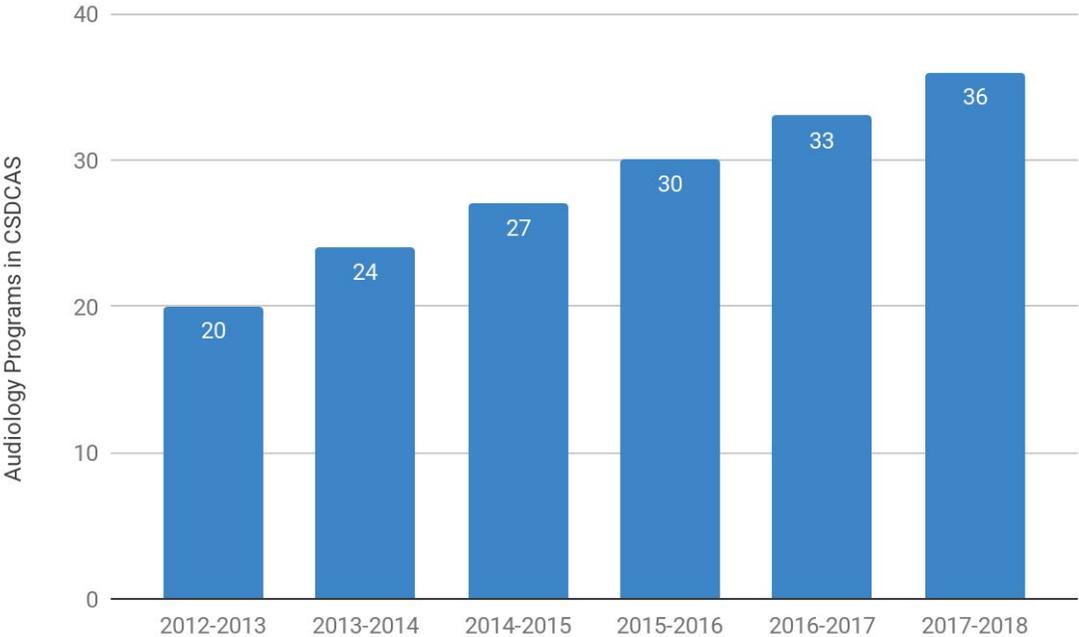
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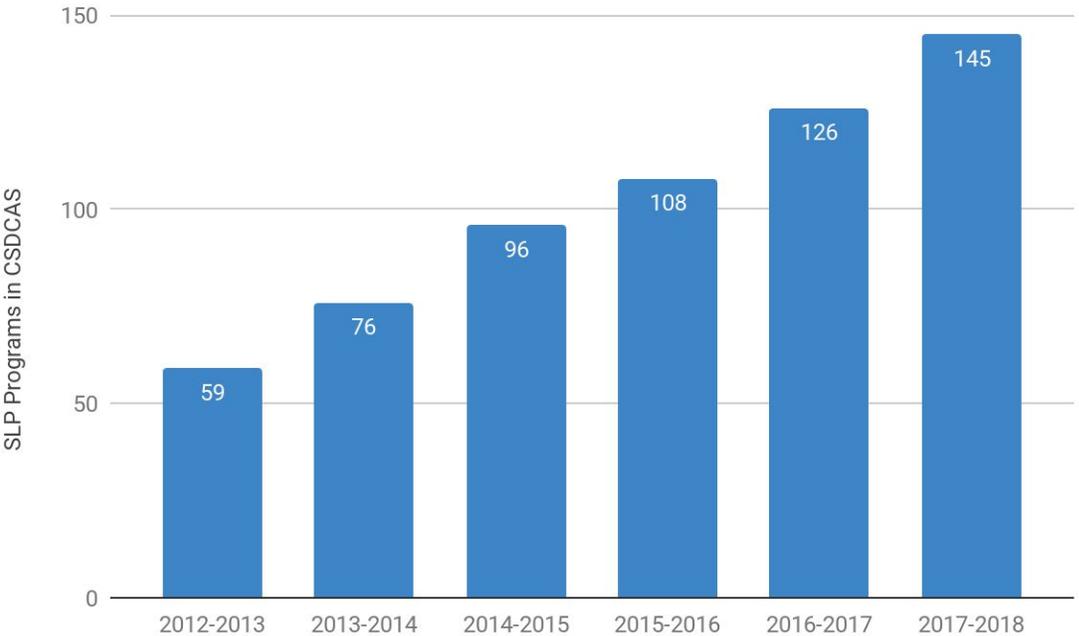
Overall Applicant and Application Trends in CSDCAS

Figure 3: CSDCAS Participation, Applicant, and Application Trends from 2013-2018

Cycle	Participating Universities	Verified Overall Applicants	% Change	Verified Overall Applications	% Change	Average # Applications per Applicant
2013-2014	76	8,122		23,808		2.93
2014-2015	96	8,842	8.86%	27,913	17.24%	3.16
2015-2016	109	9,220	4.28%	30,953	10.89%	3.36
2016-2017	128	10,073	9.25%	35,273	13.96%	3.50
2017-2018	146	10,424	3.48%	37,891	7.42%	3.63

Figure 4: CSDCAS Participation, Applicant, and Application Trends for Audiology Programs from 2013-2018

Cycle	Participating Universities with Audiology programs in CSDCAS	Verified Audiology Applicants	% Change	Verified Audiology Applications	% Change	Average # Applications per Applicant
2013-2014	24	717		1,969		2.75
2014-2015	27	788	9.90%	2,345	19.10%	2.98
2015-2016	30	886	12.44%	2,657	13.30%	3.00
2016-2017	33	955	7.79%	2,909	9.48%	3.05
2017-2018	36	871	-8.80%	2,634	-9.45%	3.02

Figure 5: CSDCAS Participation, Applicant, and Application Trends for SLP Programs from 2013-2018

Cycle	Participating Universities with SLP programs in CSDCAS	Verified SLP Applicants	% Change	Verified SLP Applications	% Change	Average # Applications per Applicant
2013-2014	76	7,405		21,839		2.95
2014-2015	96	8,054	8.76%	25,568	17.07%	3.17
2015-2016	108	8,334	3.48%	28,274	10.58%	3.39
2016-2017	126	9,211	10.52%	32,367	14.48%	3.51
2017-2018	145	9,644	4.70%	35,257	8.93%	3.66

Figure 6: Number of CSDCAS Applications Per Audiology Program

Cycle	Participating Universities with Audiology programs in CSDCAS	Verified Audiology Applications	Mean # of Applicants per Program	Median # of Applicants per Program	Range in # of Applicants per Program
2013-2014	24	1,969	82.04	78.5	41-127
2014-2015	27	2,345	86.85	84	32-138
2015-2016	30	2,657	88.57	89	29-137
2016-2017	33	2,909	88.15	87	32-156
2017-2018	36	2,634	73.17	73	15-122

Figure 7: Number of CSDCAS Applications Per SLP Program

Cycle	Participating Universities with SLP programs in CSDCAS	Verified SLP Applications	Mean # of Applicants per Program	Median # of Applicants per Program	Range in # of Applicants per Program
2013-2014	76	21,839	287.36	274.5	52-709
2014-2015	96	25,568	266.33	238	40-808
2015-2016	108	28,274	261.80	254	42-593
2016-2017	126	32,367	256.88	233	62-618
2017-2018	145	35,257	243.15	221	67-589

Figure 8: Mean Number of Applicants Per Audiology Program
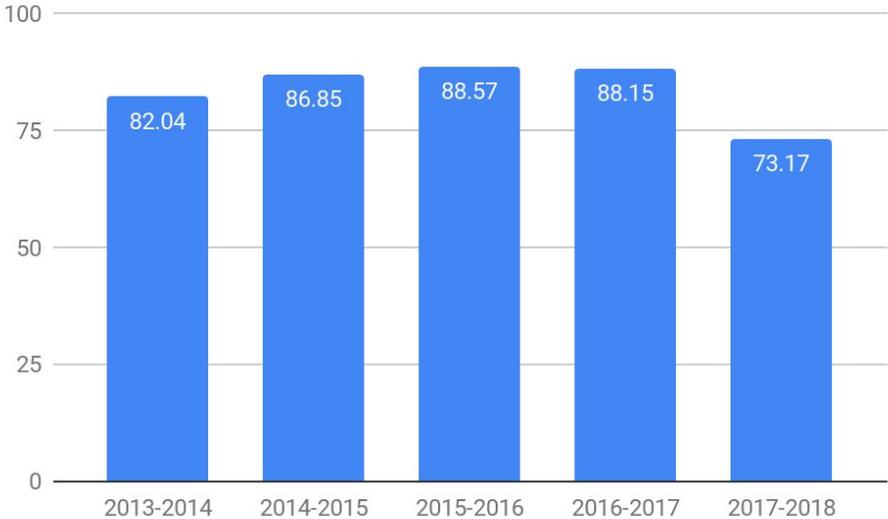
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Accepted Students

All programs participating in CSDCAS are required to provide their final decision data each fall. In 2017-2018, 1 out of 145 SLP programs, and 1 out of 36 did not complete their final decision data. Therefore, the final data reported here are based only on those programs that were able to provide their final decisions.

CSDCAS applicants with a verified status and the following admission decisions were categorized as "accepted" for the purposes of this report: Offer Accepted, Offer Declined, Offer Made, Deferred, and Matriculated. Data only reflects acceptances reported by schools participating in CSDCAS. Applicants who applied via CSDCAS may have also applied to and been accepted by non-participating universities. Only those applicants who had a verified application are considered in this report.

Figure 10: CSDCAS Accepted Audiology Applicants

Cycle	# of Audiology Programs in CSDCAS	All Applicants	# of Accepted Applicants	Mean # of Offers Given per Program	% of Applicants Accepted	# of Applicants Not Accepted	% of Applicants Not Accepted
2015-2016	30	886	569	33.17	64.22%	317	35.78%
2016-2017	33	954	638	33.82	66.88%	316	33.12%
2017-2018	36	892	637	32.34	71.41%	255	28.59%

Figure 11: CSDCAS Accepted SLP Applicants

Cycle	# of SLP Programs in CSDCAS	All Applicants	# of Accepted Applicants	Mean # of Offers Given per Program	% of Applicants Accepted	# of Applicants Not Accepted	% of Applicants Not Accepted
2015-2016	105	8,335	4,510	75.35	54.11%	3,825	45.89%
2016-2017	126	9,213	5,469	82.23	59.36%	3,744	40.64%
2017-2018	145	9,649	6,190	84.65	64.15%	3,459	35.85%

Applications Submitted

Figure 12: Mean Number of Applications Submitted per Audiology Applicant
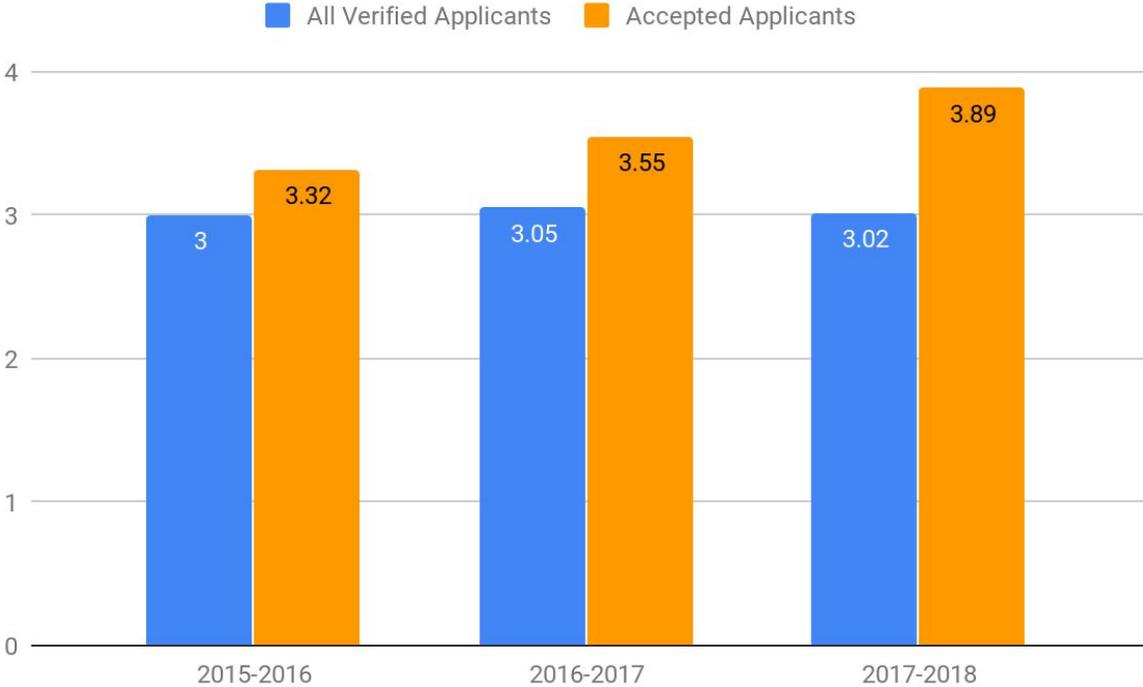
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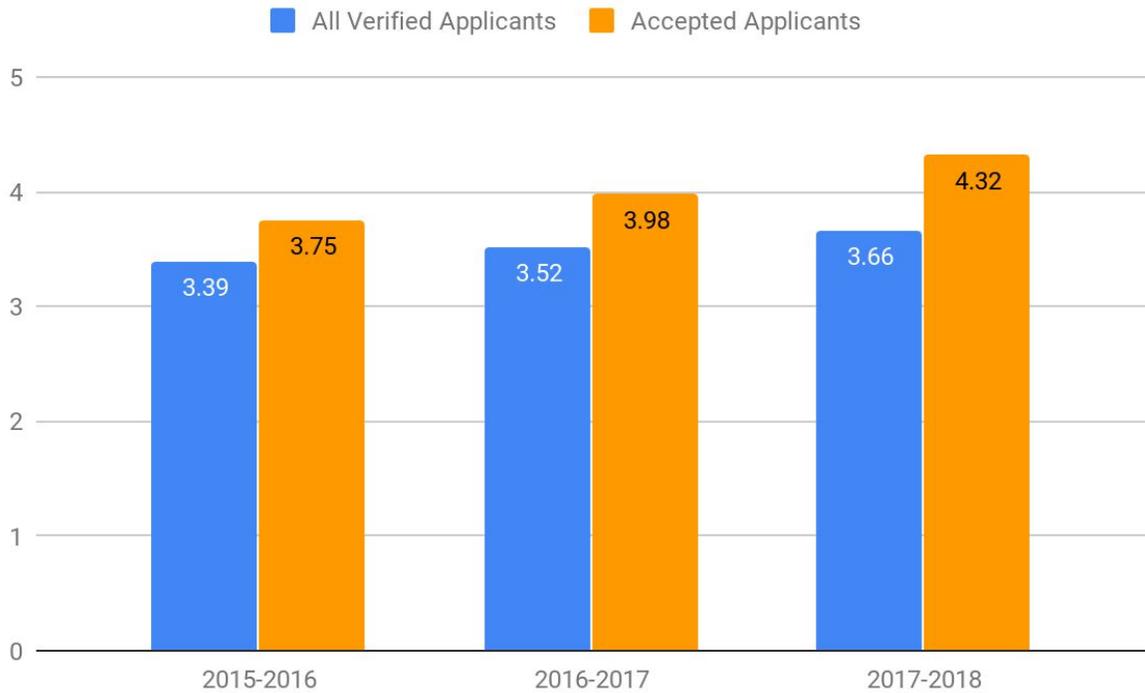
CSDCAS Applicants by Age

Figure 14: Age Distribution of Audiology Applicants in the 2017-2018 Admissions Cycle

Age Range	All Verified Applicants	Accepted Applicants
Up to 19	0.34%	0.50%
20-25	87.14%	90.43%
26-30	7.35%	5.45%
31-35	2.99%	1.82%
36-40	1.15%	0.66%
41-45	0.80%	0.83%
46 and Up	0.23%	0.33%

Figure 15: Age Distribution of SLP Applicants in the 2017-2018 Admissions Cycle

Age Range	All Verified Applicants	Accepted Applicants
Up to 19	0.27%	0.36%
20-25	82.43%	85.75%
26-30	10.63%	8.79%
31-35	3.34%	2.64%
36-40	1.58%	1.18%
41-45	0.95%	0.65%
46 and Up	0.80%	0.63%

CSDCAS Applicants by Gender

Figure 16: Comparison of Verified Audiology Applicants and Accepted Audiology Applicants by Gender Over the Last 3 Years

Cycle	Status	Male		Female		Decline to State	
		#	%	#	%	#	%
2015-2016	Verified	100	11.29%	784	88.49%	2	0.23%
	Accepted	65	11.38%	505	88.44%	1	0.18%
2016-2017	Verified	89	9.32%	865	90.58%	1	0.10%
	Accepted	58	9.31%	564	90.53%	1	0.16%
2017-2018	Verified	73	8.40%	795	91.48%	1	0.12%
	Accepted	43	7.10%	562	92.74%	1	0.17%

Figure 17: Comparison of Verified SLP Applicants and Accepted SLP Applicants by Gender Over the Last 3 Years

Cycle	Status	Male		Female		Decline to State	
		#	%	#	%	#	%
2015-2016	Verified	354	4.26%	7,932	95.46%	23	0.28%
	Accepted	199	4.41%	4,302	95.32%	12	0.27%
2016-2017	Verified	320	3.51%	8,783	96.28%	19	0.21%
	Accepted	178	3.25%	5,283	96.53%	12	0.22%
2017-2018	Verified	356	3.69%	9,266	96.17%	13	0.13%
	Accepted	228	3.70%	5,931	96.17%	8	0.13%

CSDCAS Applicants by Race/Ethnicity

Figure 18: Comparison of Verified Audiology Applicants and Accepted Audiology Applicants by Race/Ethnicity Over The Last 5 Years

Race/Ethnicity	Status	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018
American Indian or Alaska Native	Verified	0.2%	0.6%	0.1%	0.0%	0.5%	0.1%
	Accepted	0.5%	0.6%	0.0%	0.0%	1.0%	0.0%
Asian	Verified	5.3%	6.1%	6.7%	6.3%	5.9%	8.5%
	Accepted	3.1%	7.3%	4.2%	5.7%	3.7%	7.8%
Black or African American	Verified	1.6%	2.2%	2.5%	3.2%	2.7%	3.9%
	Accepted	0.5%	2.8%	2.4%	3.1%	2.0%	3.5%
Hispanic	Verified	7.4%	5.7%	5.7%	6.4%	7.1%	9.9%
	Accepted	5.2%	6.8%	2.8%	4.9%	6.4%	8.1%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	Verified	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
	Accepted	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%
Two or More Races	Verified	1.5%	2.5%	3.9%	1.5%	2.1%	2.5%
	Accepted	1.0%	3.4%	4.2%	0.8%	2.9%	1.8%
White	Verified	79.8%	78.9%	76.5%	77.5%	77.0%	71.6%
	Accepted	84.4%	74.0%	82.3%	81.1%	80.4%	76.1%
Did Not Report	Verified	4.3%	3.9%	4.4%	5.1%	4.6%	3.3%
	Accepted	5.2%	5.1%	4.2%	4.4%	3.4%	2.5%

Figure 19: Percentage of Verified Audiology Applicants by Race/Ethnicity per Cycle
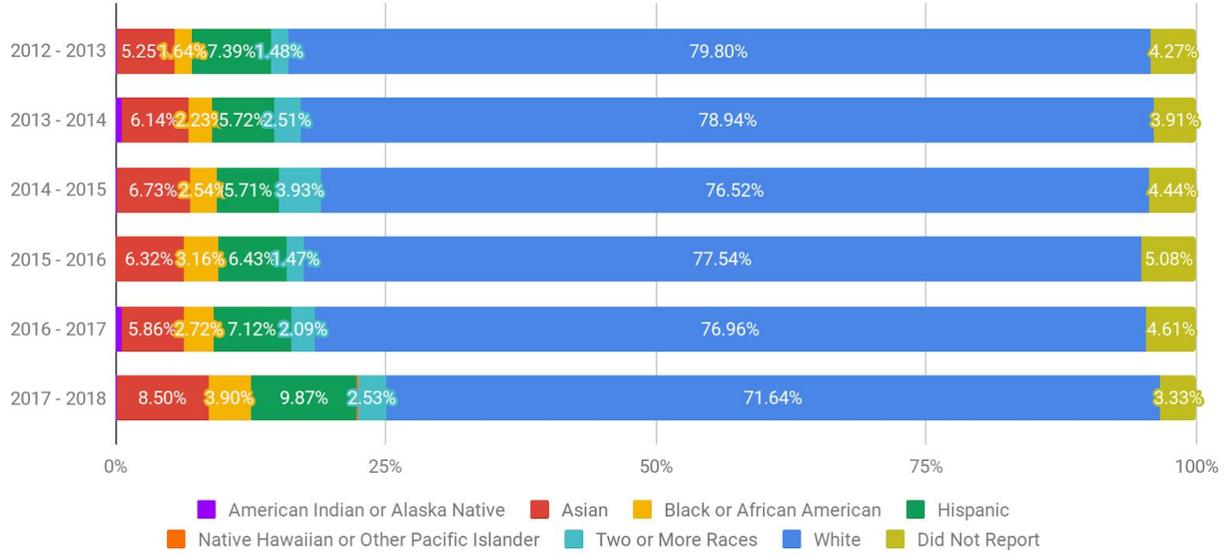

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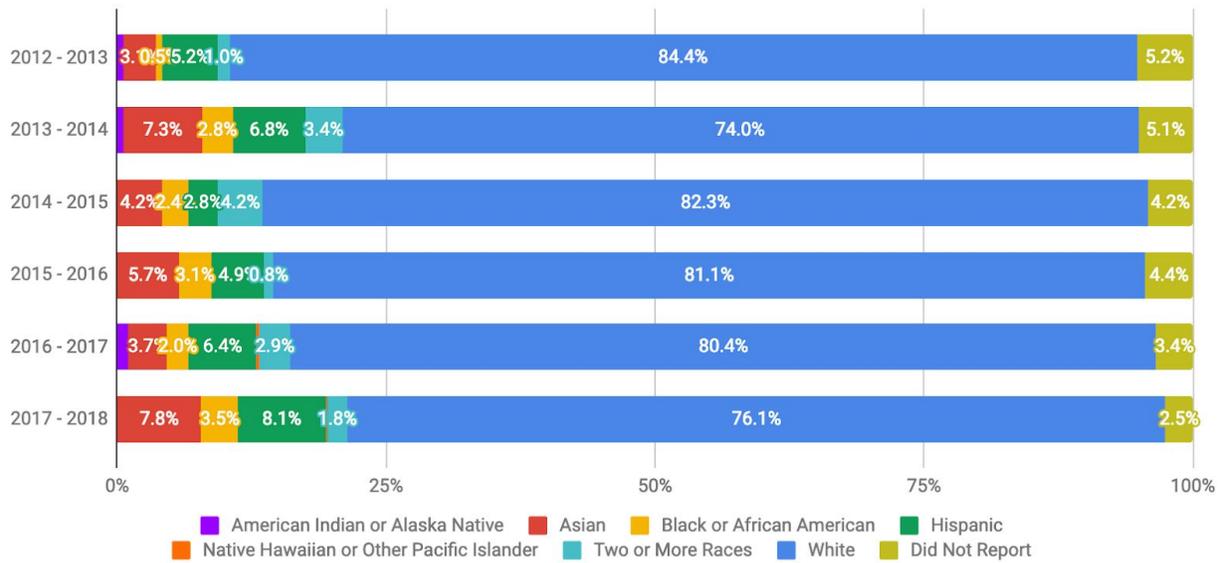
Figure 21: Comparison of Verified SLP Applicants and Accepted SLP Applicants by Race/Ethnicity Over The Last 5 Years

Race/Ethnicity	Status	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018
American Indian or Alaska Native	Verified	0.14%	0.24%	0.17%	0.14%	0.23%	0.19%
	Accepted	0.13%	0.10%	0.07%	0.13%	0.13%	0.15%
Asian	Verified	4.90%	5.46%	5.21%	5.33%	5.53%	5.81%
	Accepted	4.38%	5.99%	4.76%	5.05%	4.97%	4.96%
Black or African American	Verified	1.91%	2.15%	2.35%	2.74%	3.09%	4.28%
	Accepted	1.21%	1.49%	1.15%	1.73%	1.79%	3.06%
Hispanic	Verified	7.31%	8.02%	9.68%	10.25%	11.10%	11.60%
	Accepted	4.89%	5.20%	7.02%	8.02%	8.75%	9.81%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	Verified	0.03%	0.04%	0.04%	0.07%	0.16%	0.09%
	Accepted	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.04%	0.20%	0.10%
Two or More Races	Verified	2.21%	2.19%	2.38%	2.05%	2.57%	2.47%
	Accepted	1.84%	2.28%	2.36%	2.06%	2.50%	2.35%
White	Verified	77.89%	76.04%	75.09%	73.28%	70.56%	70.85%
	Accepted	81.73%	78.60%	79.49%	76.84%	74.57%	74.79%
Did Not Report	Verified	5.61%	5.86%	5.07%	6.14%	6.76%	4.71%
	Accepted	5.84%	6.34%	5.15%	6.12%	7.09%	4.78%

Figure 22: Percentage of Verified SLP Applicants by Race/Ethnicity per Cycle

	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian	Black or African American	Hispanic	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	Two or More Races	White	Did Not Report
2012 - 2013		4.9%	1.9%	7.3%		2.2%	77.9%	5.6%
2013 - 2014		5.5%	2.2%	8.0%		2.2%	76.0%	5.9%
2014 - 2015		5.2%	2.4%	9.7%		2.4%	75.1%	5.1%
2015 - 2016		5.3%	2.7%	10.3%		2.1%	73.3%	6.1%
2016 - 2017		5.5%	3.1%	11.1%		2.6%	70.6%	6.8%
2017 - 2018		5.8%	4.3%	11.6%		2.5%	70.9%	4.7%
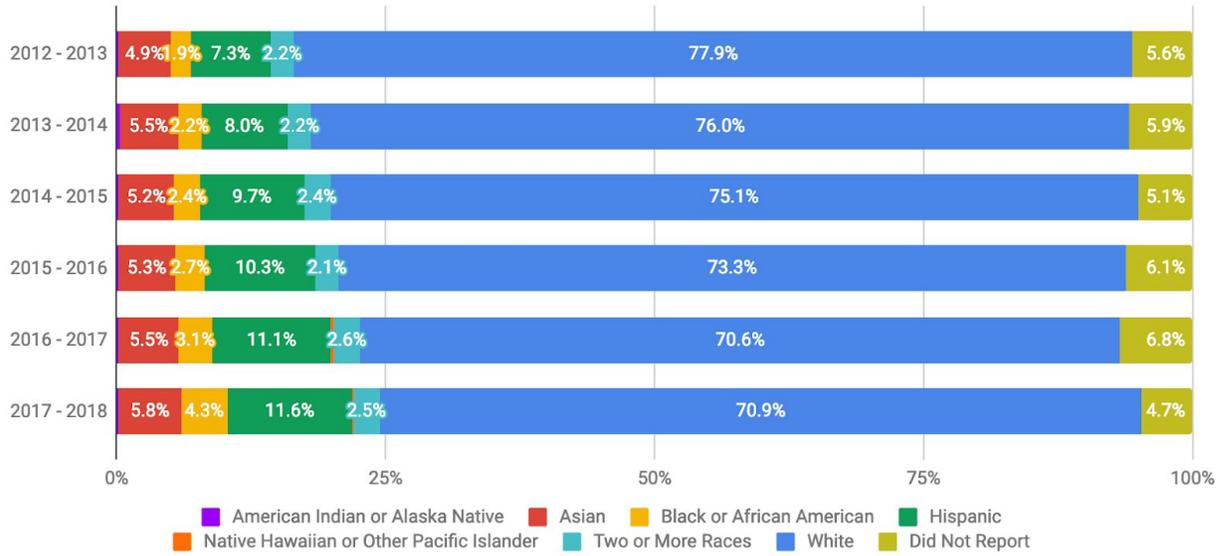
Figure 23: Percentage of Accepted SLP Applicants by Race/Ethnicity per Cycle

	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian	Black or African American	Hispanic	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	Two or More Races	White	Did Not Report
2012 - 2013		4.4%	1.2%	4.9%		1.8%	81.7%	5.8%
2013 - 2014		6.0%	1.5%	5.2%		2.3%	78.6%	6.3%
2014 - 2015		4.8%	1.2%	7.0%		2.4%	79.5%	5.2%
2015 - 2016		5.1%	1.7%	8.0%		2.1%	76.8%	6.1%
2016 - 2017		5.0%	1.8%	8.8%		2.5%	74.6%	7.1%
2017 - 2018		5.0%	3.1%	9.8%		2.4%	74.8%	4.8%

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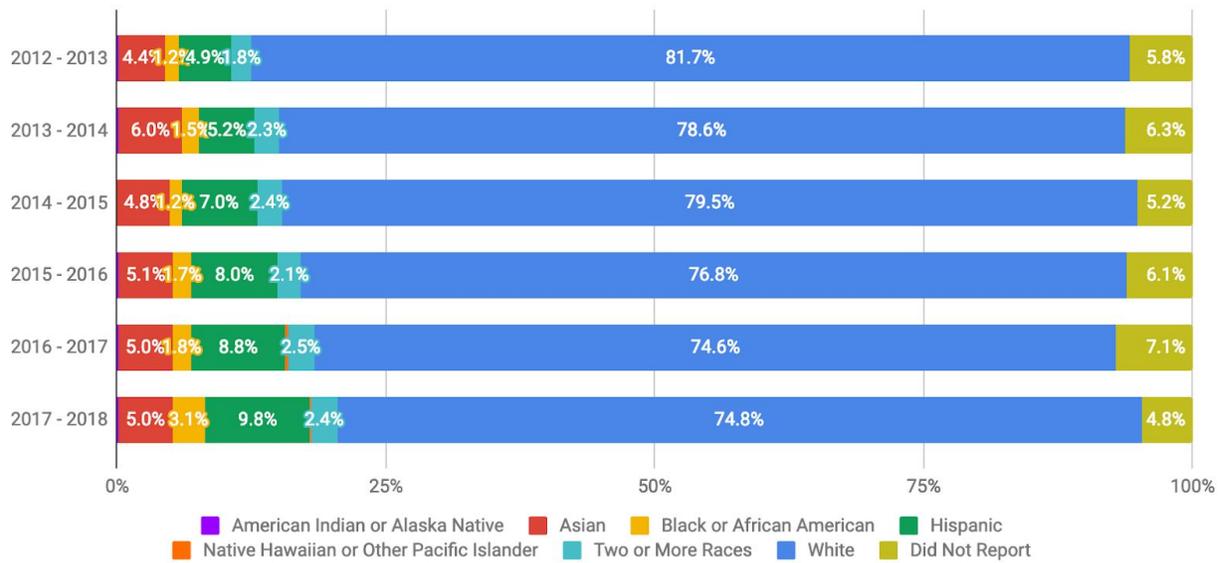
Languages Spoken

Figure 24: Applicants That Have an Intermediate or Higher Level of Proficiency in at Least One Language Other Than English in the 2017-2018 Cycle.

	Accepted Applicants	% of Accepted Applicant Pool
SLP	1052	17.00%
Audiology	128	20.09%

Disadvantaged Status

Data regarding disadvantaged applicants are based on optional self-reported responses. Applicants in CSDCAS could select one or more disadvantaged statuses. The disadvantaged categories are not mutually exclusive. Therefore, applicants may be represented in more than one category. Applicants were not required to use search tools to determine if they actually met the federal government's definition of environmentally disadvantaged (e.g. geographic location of the applicants high school being in a medically underserved area/population or health professions shortage area), but they were instructed to use their parent's recent tax forms and the federal guidelines to determine economically disadvantaged status.

Figure 25: Economically Disadvantaged Audiology Applicants in 2017-2018

Economically Disadvantaged Status	All Applicants	% of Total Pool	Accepted Applicants	% of Accepted Pool
Your parent's family income falls within 200 percent of Federal low-income poverty guidelines and you are considered to have met the criteria for economically disadvantaged.	101	11.32%	59	9.26%

Figure 26: Economically Disadvantaged SLP Applicants in 2017-2018

Economically Disadvantaged Status	All Applicants	% of Total Pool	Accepted Applicants	% of Accepted Pool
Your parent's family income falls within 200 percent of Federal low-income poverty guidelines and you are considered to have met the criteria for economically disadvantaged.	907	9.40%	500	8.08%

Figure 27: Environmentally Disadvantaged Audiology Applicants in 2017-2018

Environmentally Disadvantaged Status	All Applicants	% of Total Pool	Accepted Applicants	% of Accepted Pool
I am the first generation in my family to attend college (neither my mother nor my father attended college).	154	17.26%	98	15.38%
I graduated from a high school from which a low percentage of seniors received a high school diploma.	21	2.35%	11	1.73%
I graduated from a high school at which many of the enrolled students are eligible for free or reduced price lunches.	151	16.93%	94	14.76%
I am from a family that receives public assistance (e.g. Aid to Families with Dependent Children, food stamps, Medicaid, public housing) or I receive public assistance.	43	4.82%	19	2.98%
I am from a family that lives in an area that is designated as a Health Professional Shortage Area, or a Medically Underserved Area.	27	3.03%	12	1.88%
I am a high-school drop-out who received AHS diploma or GED.	2	0.22%	2	0.31%
I am from a school district where 50% or less of graduates go to college or where college education is not encouraged.	37	4.15%	24	3.77%
English is not my primary language.	34	3.81%	24	3.77%

Figure 28: Environmentally Disadvantaged SLP Applicants in 2017-2018

Environmentally Disadvantaged Status	All Applicants	% of Total Pool	Accepted Applicants	% of Accepted Pool
I am the first generation in my family to attend college (neither my mother nor my father attended college).	1539	15.95%	857	13.84%
I graduated from a high school from which a low percentage of seniors received a high school diploma.	182	1.89%	84	1.36%
I graduated from a high school at which many of the enrolled students are eligible for free or reduced price lunches.	1461	15.14%	849	13.72%
I am from a family that receives public assistance (e.g. Aid to Families with Dependent Children, food stamps, Medicaid, public housing) or I receive public assistance.	403	4.18%	230	3.72%
I am from a family that lives in an area that is designated as a Health Professional Shortage Area, or a Medically Underserved Area.	180	1.87%	106	1.71%
I am a high-school drop-out who received AHS diploma or GED.	23	0.24%	15	0.24%
I am from a school district where 50% or less of graduates go to college or where college education is not encouraged.	379	3.93%	206	3.33%
English is not my primary language.	204	2.11%	102	1.65%

GPA

Figure 29: Mean Cumulative Undergraduate GPA for Audiology Applicants

Cycle	All Verified Applicants	Accepted Applicants
2015-2015	3.48	3.6
2016-2017	3.5	3.62
2017-2018	3.47	3.57

Figure 30: Mean Cumulative Undergraduate GPA for SLP Applicants

Cycle	All Verified Applicants	Accepted Applicants
2015-2015	3.49	3.61
2016-2017	3.5	3.63
2017-2018	3.5	3.62

GRE

CSDCAS collects self-reported GRE scores from applicants that have taken the test. Most participating programs have elected to use a CSDCAS specific GRE code. Not all programs require the GRE and some have elected to collect the GRE scores at the university level instead of through CSDCAS. These figures reflect the means and ranges of the percentiles of self-reported scores.

Figure 31: Mean Percentile of Audiology Applicant-Reported GRE Scores

Cycle	Status	Mean Quantitative Percentile	Mean Verbal Percentile	Mean Analytical Percentile
2015-2016	Verified	43.37	52.74	57.99
	Accepted	47.78	57.71	62.08
2016-2017	Verified	38.13	51.96	58.4
	Accepted	41.78	56.09	62.88
2017-2018	Verified	36.18	50.98	56.36
	Accepted	39.28	54.25	61.2

Figure 32: Mean Percentile of SLP Applicant-Reported GRE Scores

Cycle	Status	Mean Quantitative Percentile	Mean Verbal Percentile	Mean Analytical Percentile
2015-2016	Verified	38.39	53.57	58.38
	Accepted	43.24	59.48	64.01
2016-2017	Verified	34.27	51.46	56.58
	Accepted	38.74	56.65	63.38
2017-2018	Verified	31.59	48.84	56.59
	Accepted	35.9	54.07	61.78

Figure 33: Mean of the Cumulative Percentile Audiology Applicant-Reported GRE Scores
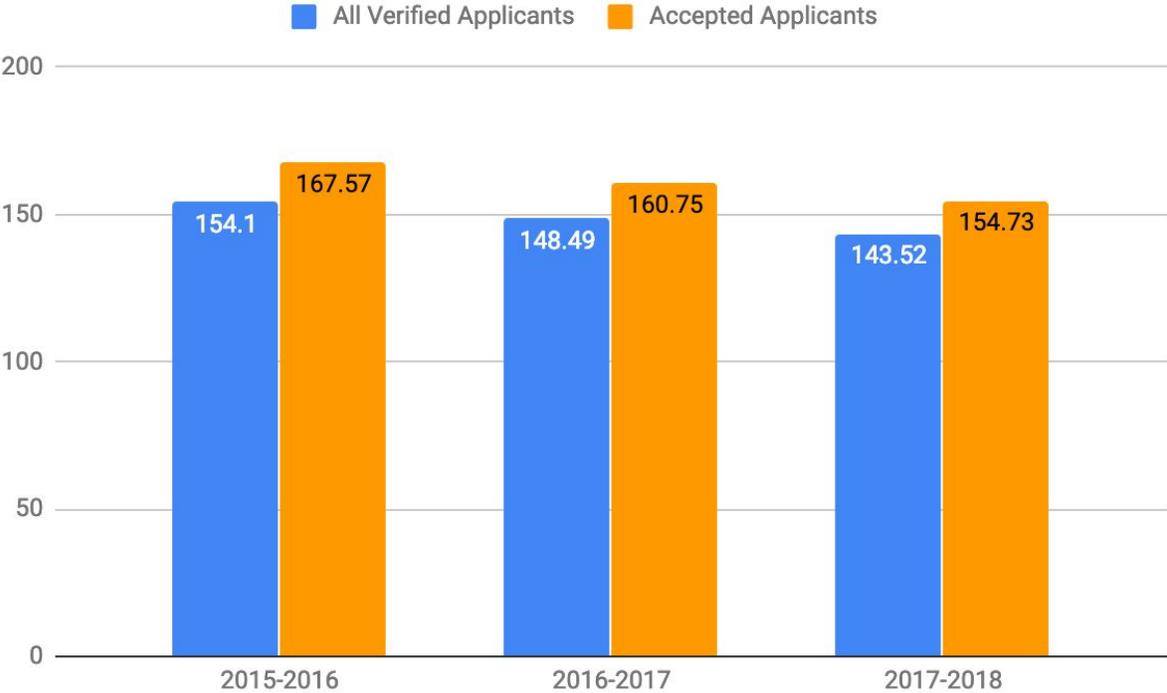
**Figure 34: Mean of the Cumulative Percentile SLP Applicant-Reported GRE Scores**
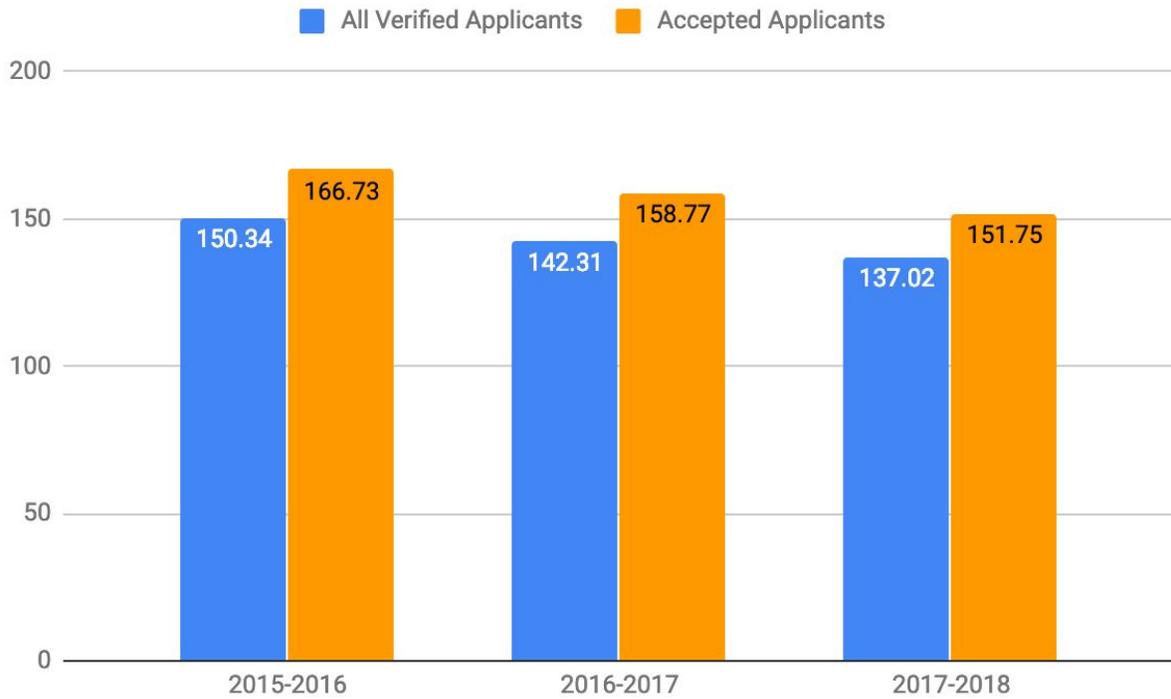
Fee Waivers

In 2017-2018, CAPCSD pledged $26,500 to fund a fee waiver program that paid for the first application fee ($125) of qualifying students. To qualify, students had to be under 200 percent of the US Department of Health and Human Services poverty guidelines or participate in the McNair or Gates Scholarship programs. 144 applicants were granted and used a CAPCSD fee waiver in 2017-2018, for a total of $18,000.

Prerequisite Courses

Audiology Prerequisites

Thirty Audiology programs required prerequisites coursework through CSDCAS. The figure below shows the distribution of courses required by each of these programs.

Figure 35: Count of Prerequisite Courses Required in Audiology Programs
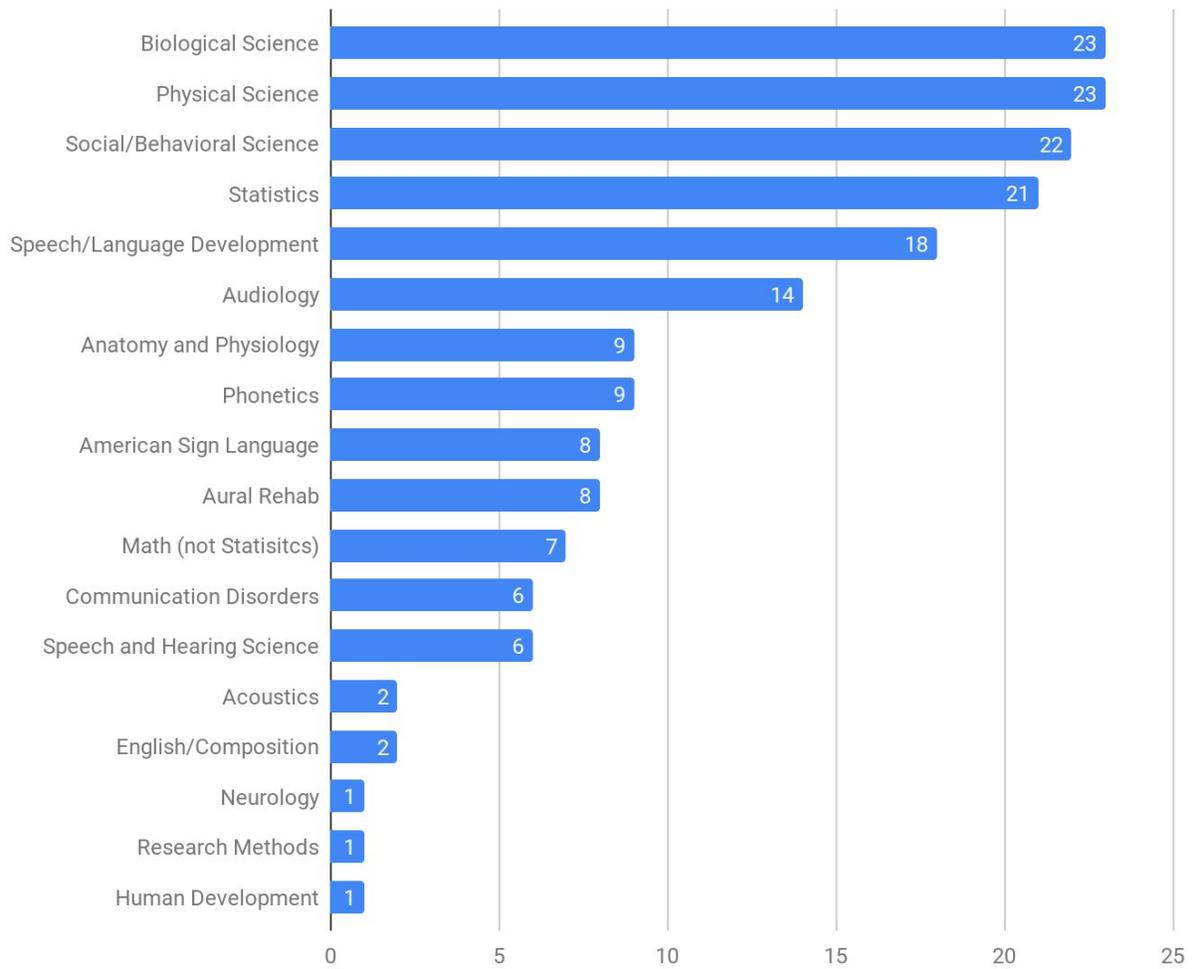
SLP Prerequisites

139 SLP programs required prerequisites coursework through CSDCAS. The figure below shows the distribution of courses required by each of these programs.

Figure 36: Count of Prerequisite Courses Required in SLP Programs

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