

Public Meeting Announcement

The Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders at the University of South Dakota is hosting a public meeting as part of its accreditation site visit by the Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology (CAA) of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA).

The CAA is conducting a site visit to evaluate the **Doctor of Audiology (AuD)** and **Master of Arts (MA) in Speech-Language Pathology** programs. As part of the review process, the department invites the public to provide input regarding the programs' compliance with the CAA's Standards for Accreditation.

When: Thursday, September 25, 2025, 4:00PM – 5:00PM

Location: Arts and Sciences Building, Room 103; USD, Vermillion, SD

OR Scottish Rite Speech Clinic; Sioux Falls, SD

Virtual RSVP: In order to participate virtually, please RSVP by September 17, 2025 with your name, email

address, and phone number to: csd@usd.edu RSVP is required to receive the Zoom link

This meeting is open to all interested parties, including students, alumni, clinical supervisors, employers, and members of the public. Comments must relate to the program's compliance with the CAA's standards and may be presented in person during the meeting. A copy of the Standards for Accreditation and/or the CAA's Policy on Public Comment may be obtained by contacting the Accreditation Office at ASHA, 2200 Research Boulevard, #310, Rockville, Maryland 20850, calling ASHA's Action Center at 1-800-498-2071, or accessing the documents online at https://caa.asha.org/.

If you are unable to attend the meeting you may: Submit written comments **prior** to the accreditation site visit. All comments are due in the <u>Accreditation Office</u> no later than three (3) business days before the first day of the scheduled site visit (Sept 25, 2025). Comments received after this time will not be forwarded to the site visit team for consideration during the accreditation review, in accordance with the procedures specified in Chapter XII of the Accreditation Handbook. Comments may be submitted by email (accreditation@asha.org), fax (301-296-8570), or mailed to Accreditation Public Comment, Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology (CAA), 2200 Research Boulevard, #310, Rockville, MD 20850.

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