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SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST

The People Person
The Problem Solver
The Creator

Median Salary \$74,680

Education and Training Needed

Bachelor's Degree required

Masters in Speech-Language Pathology required

Clinical doctorate in Speech Language Pathology

Supervised Clinical Experience (400 hours)

Completion of Clinical Fellowship Year which lasts 9 months

Completed 24 hours of continuing education every 2 years for length of career

Things To Do In School

1 **Get hands-on experience:** Some states allow you to be a speech pathology assistant where you work under the supervision of a licensed speech pathologist. **Bachelor's degree required**

2 Many **graduate programs have job placement help.**

3 **Make connections** during the hands-on training (practicum job) of your training and many times, you will get job leads during this process.

4 **Respond to job postings:** Indeed.com, Monster.com

5 **Cold call different organizations** that you want to work for.

Certifications

- Passed National Speech Language Pathology board exam (PRAXIS)
- Certificate of Clinical Competence in Speech-Language Pathology by the American Speech Language Hearing Association
- Get state license

How To Land Your 1st Job

- Speech pathology programs are highly competitive so you want to choose a school where you can get a B+ to A average
- Volunteer in hospital to get idea of how it feels to work in the health care industry
- Talk to the speech pathologists at your school
- Volunteer in organizations with kids with special needs
- Volunteer at a nursing home

"I would definitely try volunteering or observing a speech pathologist at some point before embarking on the education path."

Jen Wiley, speech language pathologist

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