



# Speech-Language Pathology Services Credential

## Educators Prepared in a State or U.S. Territory other than California

What will this authorize me to do?

### Online Direct Application Requirements Checklist

Submit this checklist and the required supporting materials listed below within thirty (30) calendar days of completing the online portion of your application for the Speech-Language Pathology Services Credential. Late submission of supporting materials will result in the application being denied (5 California Code of Regulations Section 80487).

Print and mail this checklist, the Online Direct Application Coversheet, and all supporting materials to:

Commission on Teacher Credentialing  
Attn: Online Direct Applications  
1900 Capitol Avenue  
Sacramento, CA 95811-4213

*Note:* This document includes two checklists identifying the requirements for educators seeking either a preliminary or a clear Speech-Language Pathology Services Credential for candidates prepared out-of-state. Click on the buttons below to go to the right checklist:

1. Preliminary Speech-Language Pathology Services Credential

2. Clear Speech-Language Pathology Services Credential

### 1. Requirements checklist for the two-year Preliminary Speech-Language Pathology Services Credential:

- Include this checklist;
- Confirmation coversheet (this will be available for printing after completing the Online Direct Application);
- Official (original) transcripts showing conferral of a master's degree in speech-language pathology from a [regionally-accredited](#) college or university;
- Photocopy of passing scores to satisfy the California Basic Skills Requirement ([BSR](#));

*If you have not yet satisfied this requirement, you cannot use this online application process. Please contact your California public school employer to discuss the possibility of obtaining a one-year nonrenewable credential.*

Indicate how you will or did meet the [fingerprint](#) clearance requirement:

- First-time applicants: submit form [41-LS](#), or
- Previously applied for California credential, certificate or permit and have completed the Commission fingerprint requirement;
- Applicable documentation as required for the Professional Fitness Questions;

And all of the requirements under one of the following options:

OPTION 1:

- Either (1) a photocopy of the certificate or (2) an official eligibility letter from the institution where the program was completed or the state agency responsible for issuing the certificate verifying completion of a preparation program on or after **January 1, 1997** from a state determined to have equivalent standards to the California Speech-Language Pathology Services Credential. The out-of-state program must match the area of certification requested. Please reference the [Table 1](#) below for equivalent program information;

**-or-**

OPTION 2:

- Either (1) a photocopy of the out-of-state speech-language pathology certificate authorizing service in the K-12 public schools of the state in which the program was completed or (2) an official eligibility letter from the institution where the program was completed or from the state agency responsible for issuing the certificate; **and**
- Official (original) transcripts showing a practicum with school-age children completed with a grade of "C" or better (Applicants who received a "pass," "credit," or "satisfactory" grade are assumed to have completed the practicum at a level at least equivalent to a grade of "C").

### **Certification**

I verify I have met the requirements, printed this checklist, and am ready to complete the Online Direct Application Process, which will require me to make a nonrefundable payment by credit card.

At the conclusion of the Online Direct Application Process, print the Online Direct Application Coversheet.

## **2. Requirements checklist for the Clear Speech-Language Pathology Services**

**Credential:** Applicants satisfying the requirements for both the preliminary (see above) and clear credentials may apply for the clear credential without having first held the preliminary credential. Mail both checklists (1 and 2) to the Commission with the rest of your supporting materials.

- Include this checklist;
- Confirmation coversheet (this will be available for printing after completing the Online Direct Application);
- Either hold a valid California Preliminary Speech Language Pathology Services Credential or satisfy all of the requirements for that credential. If applying for the Clear credential without having held the Preliminary credential, submit both checklists and supporting materials for both the Preliminary Credential and the Clear credential;

Indicate how you will or did meet the [fingerprint](#) clearance requirement:

- First-time applicants: submit form [41-LS](#), or
- Previously applied for California credential, certificate or permit and have completed the Commission fingerprint requirement;
- Applicable documentation as required for the Professional Fitness Questions;

And all of the requirements under one of the following three options:

OPTION 1 (all of the following):

- Photocopy of your Educational Testing Services (ETS) Praxis II Speech-Language Pathology Test score report verifying you received the passing score of at least 600. For more information, visit the ETS website at [www.ets.org](http://www.ets.org); and
- A 36-week, full-time, mentored clinical experience or equivalent supervised practicum (commonly known as the Clinical Fellowship Year [CFY]). Verification of completion may be provided on one of the following forms:
  - [Required Professional Experience Form](#) (Form 77V-21) from the California Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Board; **or**
  - [Speech-Language Pathology Clinical Fellowship Report and Rating Form](#) from the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA);

**-or-**

OPTION 2:

- Photocopy of valid California Speech-Language Pathology License (pocket size license that includes the expiration date and license number) issued by the California Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Board, or a photocopy of the license information from the Board's website;

**-or-**

OPTION 3:

- An original Certification Letter from the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) verifying possession of a valid Certificate of Clinical Competence in Speech-Language Pathology. The letter must include the certificate's issuance and expiration dates and account number.

***Certification***

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***Authorization***

The Speech-Language Pathology Services Credential in Language, Speech and Hearing authorizes the holder to conduct Language, Speech, and Hearing Assessments and provide Educational Services, provide specific learning disability area services related to speech and language, and special education services to individuals with language and speech impairments across the special education disability areas, to students from birth through age 22 in services across the continuum of program options available found in California Code of Regulations Title 5 Section 80048.9.3.

*The Speech-Language Pathology Services Credential authorizes the holder to perform the service designated on the credential (see list below). The credential may be issued in the following areas:*

- *Language, Speech and Hearing*
- *Language, Speech and Hearing and Audiology*
- *Language, Speech and Hearing including Special Class Authorization*
- *Language, Speech and Hearing and Audiology including Special Class Authorization*

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**Table 1:** Identifies the preparation program in other states that have been determined by the Commission to be equivalent for the purposes of applying for Speech-Language Pathology Services Credentials in the indicated categorical areas.

State	Equivalent Program	State	Equivalent Program
Alabama	LSH	Montana	----
Alaska	----	Nebraska	LSH
Arizona	----	Nevada	----
Arkansas	LSH	New Hampshire	----
Colorado	AUD, LSH, SCA	New Jersey	----
Connecticut	----	New Mexico	----
Delaware	AUD, LSH	New York	----
District of Columbia	----	North Carolina	AUD, LSH
Florida	LSH	North Dakota	LSH
Georgia	----	Ohio	----
Hawaii	----	Oklahoma	LSH
Idaho	----	Oregon	LSH
Illinois	----	Pennsylvania	LSH
Indiana	LSH	Rhode Island	AUD, LSH
Iowa	----	South Carolina	LSH
Kansas	AUD, LSH	South Dakota	LSH
Kentucky	----	Tennessee	LSH
Louisiana	----	Texas	----
Maine	LSH	Utah	----
Maryland	----	Vermont	----
Massachusetts	----	Virginia	LSH
Michigan	LSH, SCA	Washington	AUD, LSH
Minnesota	----	West Virginia	----
Mississippi	----	Wisconsin	LSH
Missouri	LSH	Wyoming	LSH

Key	ADU = Audiology
	LSH = Language, Speech and Hearing
	SCA = Language, Speech and Hearing including Special Class Authorization
	---- = No equivalency

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