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The mission of Nova Southeastern University, a private, not-for-profit institution, is to offer a diverse array of innovative academic programs that complement on-campus educational opportunities and resources with accessible, distance-learning programs to foster academic excellence, intellectual inquiry, leadership, research, and commitment to community through engagement of students and faculty members in a dynamic, lifelong learning environment.

NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY—synonymous with dynamic innovation and intellectual challenge—is the second largest, private, nonprofit university in the Southeast and 1 of only 37 universities (out of more than 4,000) that have earned designations for both High Research Activity and Community Engagement from the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. Situated on a beautiful, 314-acre campus in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, the university is experiencing a sustained period of academic growth, fiscal strength, and commitment to the challenges of the 21st century.

In this environment of expansion and stability, the university is capitalizing on its strengths in such areas as academic innovation, comprehensive clinical training, and flexible educational delivery systems.

Founded in 1964 as Nova University, the institution merged with Southeastern University of the Health Sciences in 1994, creating Nova Southeastern University. To date, the institution has more than
166,000 alumni and current enrollment of more than 24,000 students. Fully accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, the university awards associate’s, bachelor’s, master’s, educational specialist, and doctoral degrees in a wide range of fields including the health professions, law, business, marine sciences, psychology, social sciences, computer and information sciences, and education.

The university’s degree programs are administered through academic units that offer courses at the main campus and at field-based locations throughout Florida; across the nation; and at selected international sites in Europe, Mexico, the Pacific Rim, Central and South America, and the Caribbean.

With a budget of more than $220 million per year, the university will continue to maintain a solid record of academic and fiscal strength and excellence in teaching and community service, while expanding its mission in research and scholarship.
OVER THE PAST two decades, NSU’s Health Professions Division has evolved into a dynamic and innovative, interprofessional, academic health center that comprises seven colleges (the Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine, Pharmacy, Optometry, Medical Sciences, Dental Medicine, Health Care Sciences, and Nursing) and more than 50 degree and certificate programs.

Our colleges and programs are nationally and internationally recognized due to our esteemed faculty and staff members, who are dedicated to working closely with students, nurturing them along as they progress through the academic experience. When students truly know their professors are there for them on a daily basis, it makes a big difference in their educational experience.

Our educational paradigm is both academically and technologically robust. Because of this, we’re able to provide our students with the knowledge and skills they will need to become compassionate and dedicated health care professionals. Our current students are fully aware and appreciative of this fact. And as a new student, you will be as well.

Fred Lippman, R.Ph., Ed.D.
Health Professions Division Chancellor
Health Professions Division

AS A STUDENT in the Health Professions Division of Nova Southeastern University, you can anticipate a remarkable experience. You will train, study, interact, and share faculty and resources (either campus-based or online) with students from diverse backgrounds and disciplines. This interprofessional approach distinguishes the Health Professions Division as unique and will better prepare you to master your discipline with a sensitivity and understanding of the entire health care system.

The Health Professions Division occupies a $70-million complex, covering 21 acres of the university campus. The division includes eight buildings totaling more than 900,000 square feet of space for classrooms, laboratories, offices, the Health Professions Division Library, an outpatient health center, and a pharmaceutical care center. The adjacent 1,800-vehicle parking garage overlooks the Miami Dolphins Training Camp.

The Health Professions Division, with a student body of more than 5,800, is home to seven colleges.

**College of Osteopathic Medicine**
- Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (D.O.)
- Master of Public Health (M.P.H.)
- Master of Science in Biomedical Informatics (M.S.B.I.)
- Master of Science in Disaster and Emergency Preparedness (M.S.)
- Master of Science in Medical Education (M.S.)
- Master of Science in Nutrition (M.S.)
- Graduate Certificate in Health Education
- Graduate Certificate in Medical Informatics
- Graduate Certificate in Public Health
- Graduate Certificate in Public Health Informatics

**College of Pharmacy**
- Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.)
- Doctor of Philosophy in Pharmaceutical Sciences (Ph.D.)
  - Concentration in Drug Development
  - Concentration in Molecular Medicine and Pharmacogenomics
  - Concentration in Social and Administrative Pharmacy

**College of Optometry**
- Doctor of Optometry (O.D.)
- Master of Science in Clinical Vision Research (M.S.)

**College of Health Care Sciences**
- Bachelor of Science in Athletic Training (B.S.)
- Bachelor of Science—Cardiovascular Sonography (B.S.)
- Bachelor of Science in Exercise and Sport Science (B.S.)
- Bachelor of Health Science (B.H.Sc.)
- Bachelor of Science—Medical Sonography (B.S.)
- Bachelor of Science in Respiratory Therapy (B.S.)
- Bachelor of Science in Speech-Language and Communication Disorders (B.S.)
- Master of Science in Anesthesia (M.S.)
- Master of Health Science (M.H.Sc.)
- Master of Medical Science in Physician Assistant (M.M.S.)
- Master of Occupational Therapy (M.O.T.)
- Master of Science in Speech-Language Pathology (M.S.)
- Doctor of Audiology (Au.D.)
- Doctor of Health Science (D.H.Sc.)
- Doctor of Philosophy in Health Science (Ph.D.)
- Entry-Level Doctor of Occupational Therapy (O.T.D.)
- Doctor of Occupational Therapy (Dr.O.T.)
- Doctor of Philosophy in Occupational Therapy (Ph.D.)
- Entry-Level Doctor of Physical Therapy (D.P.T.)
- Hybrid Entry-Level Doctor of Physical Therapy (D.P.T.)
- Transition Doctor of Physical Therapy (D.P.T.)
- Doctor of Philosophy in Physical Therapy (Ph.D.)
- Doctor of Speech-Language Pathology (SLP.D.)

**College of Medical Sciences**
- Master of Biomedical Sciences (M.B.S.)

**College of Dental Medicine**
- Doctor of Dental Medicine (D.M.D.)
- Master of Science in Dental Medicine (M.S.)
- Postgraduate Certificate in Advanced Education in General Dentistry
- Postgraduate Certificate in Endodontics
- Postgraduate Certificate in Operative Dentistry
- Postgraduate Certificate in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery
- Postgraduate Certificate in Orthodontics
- Postgraduate Certificate in Pediatric Dentistry
- Postgraduate Certificate in Periodontics
- Postgraduate Certificate in Prosthodontics

**College of Nursing**
- Bachelor of Science in Nursing (B.S.N.)
  - Entry Nursing
  - R.N. to B.S.N.
- Master of Science in Nursing (M.S.N.—Major of Advanced Practice Registered Nurse
  - Concentration in Family Nurse Practitioner
  - Concentration in Geri-Adult Acute Care
- Master of Science in Nursing (R.N. to M.S.N. or M.S.N.)
  - Concentration in Health Systems Leadership
  - Concentration in Nursing Education
  - Concentration in Nursing Informatics
- Doctor of Nursing Practice (D.N.P.)
- Doctor of Philosophy in Nursing (Ph.D.)

**Dual Degrees**
- Bachelor of Science—Cardiovascular Sonography (B.S.) and Master of Health Science (M.H.Sc.)
- Bachelor of Science—Medical Sonography (B.S.) and Master of Health Science (M.H.Sc.)
- Master of Health Science (M.H.Sc.)/Doctor of Health Science (D.H.Sc.)
- Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (D.O.)/Doctor of Dental Medicine (D.M.D.)

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NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY’S College of Health Care Sciences provides the highest quality of education to students in a variety of health care disciplines, including occupational, physical, and respiratory therapy; physician assistant; audiology; medical and cardiovascular sonography; anesthesiologist assistant; speech-language pathology; athletic training; exercise and sport science; and health sciences. We offer entry-level programs to advanced health care studies that allow professionals to continue with their lifelong learning. The cutting-edge curricula offered in our programs will help our students gain future success in their fields.

The college is committed to providing health care educational opportunities in formats that meet the needs of prospective students in the community. These formats include both the standard, face-to-face classroom approach and innovative distance electronics. By combining the most contemporary teaching modalities with state-of-the-art technology, our students are assured of obtaining the most comprehensive education possible.

The College of Health Care Sciences believes in excellence and innovation in teaching, research, service, and learning. This is made possible by having an academically skilled and professionally qualified faculty and staff. We have diverse faculty members. They come from different backgrounds, have different degrees, and possess a wide range of educational experiences. Our faculty members are eager to share their knowledge of and expertise in the health care arena with their students. We also have an open door policy that encourages students to seek answers to their questions, allowing them to develop a solid understanding of the materials that they study.

All of these opportunities make the College of Health Care Sciences truly unique. The health care market is undergoing a rapid change. The pace of this change has provided a formidable challenge for institutions that provide the educational programs for future health care professionals. We are proud of the fact that we are training our students to become skilled and compassionate health care providers who are certain to make valuable contributions to the communities they serve. If you wish to become a graduate who is adequately prepared to assume a leadership role in health care, I encourage you to apply to our programs.

Stanley Wilson, Ed.D., PT, CEAS
Dean, College of Health Care Sciences
PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Doctor of Audiology (Au.D.) establishes audiologists in a clearly defined and prominent role within the hearing health care delivery system and strengthens their position as autonomous practitioners. The degree provides the academic foundation and diverse clinical experiences necessary to enter professional practice today and to stay abreast in the future. Audiologists specialize in the evaluation, diagnosis, management, and treatment of people of all ages with auditory and vestibular disorders. At Nova Southeastern University, the audiology department benefits from the integrated interprofessional health care programs of the university’s Health Professions Division. Doctor of Audiology students enroll in a clinically focused professional doctoral program where students complete a rigorous academic curriculum coupled with extensive and diverse clinical experiences.

COURSE OF STUDY

The Doctor of Audiology degree is awarded after successful completion of four years of professional study. Beginning in the first year, students are given clinical assignments and experiences. There will be increased clinical involvement throughout the program as students prepare for direct patient care at our university audiology clinic and at locations throughout the community. The fourth year is designed to be a full-time externship work experience that prepares the student to enter the profession at graduation. Successful completion of the Doctor of Audiology program, coupled with a passing score on the National Praxis Examination for audiology, will enable graduates to be licensed.
The graduate earning a Doctor of Audiology (Au.D.) degree from Nova Southeastern University’s Department of Audiology will be able to

- demonstrate clinical proficiency in diagnostic assessment methodology and the interpretation of diagnostic test results with a variety of clinical populations
- develop and implement a plan for audiologic and vestibular management and treatment based on clinical assessment data with a variety of clinical populations
- effectively collaborate and/or counsel patients, family members, care givers, and other professionals
- evaluate and critically apply current research to determine and enhance clinical efficacy
- demonstrate ability to assume a leadership role in professional, clinical, and scholarly activities
- apply appropriate technologies to accomplish research, diagnosis, interpretation, management, and treatment activities

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Innovative Curriculum

The program at NSU is designed to prepare students to enter the profession of audiology ready to practice. In addition to our traditional audiology curriculum, we offer specific coursework in genetics and hearing loss, biochemistry and pharmacology, practice management and leadership, gerontology, tinnitus, and auditory processing.

Vestibular Specialization

The Audiology Department offers a Vestibular Specialty Seminar to those students interested in obtaining advanced skills in vestibular evaluation and treatment. In addition to the two classes that are part of the Au.D. course of study, students may take a third class that focuses on in-depth analysis of vestibular evaluation and treatment with a concentration on special populations. An interprofessional approach to the management of dizzy/fall-risk patients is presented. Vestibular rehabilitation and balance therapy techniques are evaluated, and students receive priority for vestibular clinical placements.

State-of-the-Art Facilities on a Beautiful Campus

The Au.D. program at NSU has classroom facilities on the Health Professions Division campus in the beautiful Greater Fort Lauderdale area. Our program has state-of-the-art equipment in a dedicated student lab facility. In addition, we have an on-campus, comprehensive audiology clinic equipped with the latest audologic and vestibular diagnostic and treatment equipment.

Diverse Clinical Opportunities

In addition to our full-service, on-campus clinic, the program has affiliations with clinical training sites located throughout Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach counties. Students spend three semesters in internships at various practice settings (including hospitals, private practices, public schools, nonprofit organizations, and medical facilities) to allow for diversity of clinical experience and population.

Student Academy of Audiology (SAA)

Our local chapter is active in national and international humanitarian and community service activities. From local health fairs to outreach with underserved migrant workers and their families to hospital and nursing home-based initiatives, our students demonstrate their enthusiastic spirit of volunteerism. Our students have participated in trips to Guatemala through the McDia Feliz Foundation to fit children with hearing instruments and to Trinidad, British Virgin Islands, and Nicaragua to evaluate children, fit them with hearing instruments, and provide teacher training workshops.

Dual Accreditation

Out of the more than 70 audiology programs in the United States, NSU’s Au.D. degree program is one of only six that is dually accredited by the Council on Academic Accreditation (CAA) of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) and the Accreditation Commission for Audiology Education (ACAE).
Prospective Doctor of Audiology students are selected by an admissions committee. Selection is based on preprofessional academic performance, written application, letters of recommendation, Graduate Record Examination (GRE) score, and personal interview.

The admissions committee reviews all completed applications and invitations are extended for a personal interview to the highest-ranking students. Preference will be given to students with a cumulative undergraduate grade point average (GPA) of 3.2 or higher. Interviews are held on campus, providing applicants with an opportunity to meet faculty members and current students and to visit the campus facilities.

The Audiology Department requires applicants to have completed a bachelor’s degree from a regionally accredited college or university. The Au.D. program has the responsibility to the public to assure that graduates will be fully competent audiologists—providing benefit and doing no harm. Individuals admitted and retained in the Au.D. program must possess the intelligence, integrity, compassion, humanitarian concern, physical and emotional capacity, program must possess the intelligence, integrity, compassion, humanitarian concern, physical and emotional capacity, communication skills, and professional commitment.

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Consistent with all federal and state laws, rules, regulations, and local ordinances (e.g., Title VII, Title IX, the Handicapping Act, ADA, and Title IV-E), Nova Southeastern University is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award associate’s, baccalaureate, master’s, educational specialist, doctorate, and professional degrees. Contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or call 404-679-4500 for questions about the accreditation of Nova Southeastern University.

www.nova.edu/aud
## Curriculum Outline

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### TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS

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Applicants for admission must submit or be responsible for the submission of

1. a completed application form along with a $50, nonrefundable application fee
2. three letters of academic recommendation from professors and/or supervisors (must use the NSU Audiology Department evaluation form)
3. official transcripts sent directly from all previously attended undergraduate, professional, and graduate institutions
4. Graduate Record Examination (GRE) score report (taken within five years of the date of application)

All admissions materials must be sent to

NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY
Enrollment Processing Services
College of Health Care Sciences
Audiology Program Admissions
3301 College Avenue, P.O. Box 299000
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33329-9905

The Audiology Committee on Admissions will review applications after required fees, transcripts, GRE score reports, and recommendations have been received by the Audiology Office of Admissions. Applications can be accessed at www.nova.edu/aud. Follow the link to submit yours online.

Preference will be given to applications received prior to February 15.

Notice of acceptance into the program will be on a rolling or periodic schedule; therefore early completion of the application is in the best interest of the student.

Inquiries should be directed to
Phone: (954) 262-1110 or 877-640-0218
Email: audinfo@nova.edu
Website: www.nova.edu/aud

STUDENTS ARE provisionally admitted to a degree-seeking program based on a review of unofficial transcripts or other specific program admission requirements. However, this admission includes a condition that final and official transcripts, documents, and requirements must be received within 90 calendar days from matriculation. If these final and official transcripts, documents, and/or requirements are not received by that time, the student will not be allowed to continue class attendance. Financial aid will not be disbursed to a provisional/conditional student until he or she has been fully admitted as a regular student (all admissions requirements have been approved by the college/program admissions office). Students who have an unpaid balance 30 days from the start of the term will be assessed a $100 fee.
Applicants must submit

1. a completed application form along with a $50, nonrefundable application fee

2. three letters of academic recommendation from professors and/or supervisors (must use the NSU Audiology Department evaluation form)

3. all coursework from international institution(s), if applicant attended or is a graduate of any international institution(s)

   Coursework taken at foreign institutions must be evaluated for U.S. institution equivalence by an approved National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES) organization, such as one of the services listed below.

   **World Education Services, Inc.**
   Bowling Green Station
   P.O. Box 5087
   New York, New York 10274-5087
   (212) 966-6311 • [www.wes.org](http://www.wes.org)

   **Josef Silny & Associates, Inc.**
   7101 SW 102nd Avenue
   Miami, Florida 33173
   (305) 273-1616 • (305) 273-1338 fax
   [www.jsilny.com](http://www.jsilny.com)

   **Educational Credential Evaluators, Inc.**
   P.O. Box 514070
   Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53203-3470
   (414) 289-3400 • [www.ece.org](http://www.ece.org)

   It is the applicant’s responsibility to have this coursework evaluated. An official course-by-course evaluation with a cumulative grade point average must be sent directly from the evaluation service to NSU’s Enrollment Processing Services.

4. Graduate Record Examination (GRE) score report (taken within five years of the date of application)

Applicants must also obtain an I-20 and be a full-time degree-seeking student.*

The audiology committee on admissions will not consider an application until all required fees, transcripts, recommendations, and test scores have been received. All application materials must be sent to the NSU Enrollment Processing Services.

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Applications can be accessed at [www.nova.edu/aud](http://www.nova.edu/aud). Follow the link to submit yours online.

* For additional information, contact the international student adviser, NSU, 3301 College Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33314-7796, or telephone (954) 262-7240. Students are responsible for all housing and financial arrangements in advance of registration.
TUITION AND FEES

1. Payment of tuition and fees is expected at the time of registration. Students receiving financial aid are responsible for making sure that they have completed all applications for financial aid and that it has been granted.

2. Tuition for 2015–2016 is $21,725. Tuition for 2016–2017 will subsequently be posted on our website (www.nova.edu/aud). A Health Professions Division general access fee of $145 is required each year. An NSU student services fee of $1,050 is also required annually. All tuition and fees are subject to change by the board of trustees without notice.

3. Upon acceptance, students planning to enroll are required to complete an intent to enroll form with a nonrefundable deposit of $500. This advance payment will be deducted from the tuition payment due at registration.

The financial ability of applicants to complete their training is important because of the limited number of positions available. Applicants should have specific plans for financing four years of professional education. This should include provision for tuition, living expenses, books, and related expenses.

COMPUTER REQUIREMENTS

Students are expected to have a computer with PowerPoint, Word, and Excel software. Some programs used to augment coursework require a computer with the Windows Operating System.

TRANSFER STUDENTS

Individuals seeking to transfer to the NSU Doctor of Audiology program must submit an application and follow the application and admissions process. The audiology department will consider the transfer of credits from another academic institution. A maximum of 9 semester hours can be transferred. Eligibility for course transfer requires a grade of B or better and must be accompanied by an official course description. Credits must be earned within six years prior to program admission.