ONLINE DELIVERY
PROGRAM PLANNING GUIDE 2024 – 2025
Speech Language Pathologist Assistant Diploma

SURNAME	GIVEN NAMES	STUDENT ID#

The purpose of this program planning guide is to help students track their progress within their chosen program. The information in this planning guide is accurate at the time of printing and is subject to change without notice. It is the students' responsibility to ensure the accuracy of their program and course choice. Students should use the program planning guide dated the year in which they began the program. This guide should be used in conjunction with the official version of the Medicine Hat College Calendar, and calendars of appropriate transfer institutions, which are the final authorities regarding program requirements.

Important Online SLPA Program Information:

The SLPA diploma, when completed online, takes a longer period of time than taking the program onsite. It takes typically 3 to 5 years to complete the program online. Students are discouraged from taking more than three classes per semester. Each student must contact the academic advisor to develop a customized plan of study based on individual needs before registering in any classes. Program plans will not be discussed with the advisor until all transfer credit and other required documentation is completed.

The following is a full listing of the courses required in this program. Please use this to help in your discussions with the academic advisor.

Courses indicated with * are offered with the following start dates: September & January
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Group 1 Courses			
COURSE	DATE	GRADE	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
*KNES 261 (4)			
*ENGL 1XX or 2XX (3) *Junior ENGL*			i. Any 100 or 200-level English course is acceptable, but **ENGL 202 or 203** is recommended, especially for students wishing to continue with their education at a university level. ii. This course may be taken at MHC (preferred) or through a different institution. iii. If taking at another institution, a letter of permission is required to ensure transferability of the courses to our program. Please contact the academic advisor before registering in these courses to obtain this authorization.

COURSE	DATE	GRADE	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
PSYC 2XX (3)			i. Equivalents of **PSYC 2XX or PSYC 201 (preferred)** are required and may be taken at MHC (preferred) or through a different institution. ii. If taking at another institution, a letter of permission is required to ensure transferability of the courses to our program. Please contact the academic advisor before registering in these courses to obtain this authorization.
IDST 100 (4)			
TAPC 110 (3)			i. Requires job-shadowing at various sites arranged within the program. **ii. All required program immunizations, criminal record checks, and accompanied documentation MUST be completed prior to registering in the class.**

Group 2 Courses			
COURSE	DATE	GRADE	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
SOCI 2XX (3)			i. Equivalents of **SOCI 2XX (SOCI 201 offered at MHC)** are required and may be taken at MHC (preferred) or through a different institution. ii. If taking at another institution, a letter of permission is required to ensure transferability of the courses to our program. Please contact the academic advisor before registering in these courses to obtain this authorization.
LING 2XX (3)			
TAPC 111 (4)			i. Pre-requisites: minimum C grade in IDST 100, KNES 261, & TAPC 110
TAPC 112 (3)			i. Pre-requisites: minimum C grade in IDST 100, KNES 261, & TAPC 110
TAPC 113 (3)			i. Pre-requisites: minimum C grade in IDST 100, KNES 261, & TAPC 110
Group 3 Courses			
COURSE	DATE	GRADE	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
SLPA 212 (3)			i. Pre-requisites: minimum C grade in LING 2XX or KNES 265, TAPC 111, TAPC 112, & TAPC 113 ii. Is a pre-requisite to Groups 4 & 5 iii. Must have completed all courses in Group 1 and Group 2 before starting this course iv. Online technology using a webcam and speaker is required for this course. v. May very occasionally require a face-to-face meeting with a Speech Language Pathologist. This is usually only in cases of academic challenge.
Group 4 Courses			
COURSE	DATE	GRADE	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
SLPA 160 (4)			i. Previously called DBSS 160

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**AUDA 212 (3)*			*i. Pre-requisites: minimum C grade in LING 2XX, TAPC 111, TAPC 112, & TAPC 113* *ii. This course requires **onsite attendance** (usually a weekend) for an arranged lab.* *iii. **Labs occur in Medicine Hat** (at Medicine Hat College and an Audiology clinic)*
**SLPA 215 (4)*			*i. Pre-requisites: minimum C grade in SLPA 212* *ii. Online technology using a webcam and speaker is required for this course.*
**SLPA 216 (4)*			*iii. May very occasionally require a face-to-face meeting with a Speech Language Pathologist. This is usually only in cases of academic challenge.*
**TAPC 210 (1)*			*i. Pre-requisite: minimum C grade in SLPA 212*

Group 5 Courses			
COURSE	DATE	GRADE	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
SLPA 206 (4)			*i. Denotes Fieldwork 7 weeks fulltime for each course (SLPA 206; SLPA 207) for a total of 14 weeks* *ii. Pre-requisites: SLPA 160 (or DBSS 160), minimum C grade in AUDA 212, SLPA 215, SLPA 216, & TAPC 210*
SLPA 207 (4)			***Registration in these courses will not be allowed until fieldwork site confirmations have been received.***
TAPC 218 (1)			*i. Pre-requisites: SLPA 160 (or DBSS 160), minimum C grade in AUDA 212, SLPA 215, SLPA 216, & TAPC 210* *ii. Co-requisite: SLPA 206 or SLPA 207*

Continuation Requirements:

- Students must adhere to the professional commitment as outlined in the Therapist Assistant Programs Student Handbook. Failure to do so may result in dismissal from the program.
- Students must complete the program within three years of completion of SLPA 212.
- **All SLPA, TAPC, KNES, LING, AUDA, and IDST courses must be completed with grades of C or better.**
- Students must earn a grade of at least C- in all other courses.
- In order to continue in the program, a current and cumulative grade point average of at least 2.0 is required at the end of each semester.
- Completion and attendance of AUDA 212 is mandatory.
- Students will usually be permitted to repeat a particular SLPA program course (TAPC, SLPA, and AUDA) only once.
- Students are normally expected to complete courses in the sequence outlined in the calendar. Courses taken in a sequence other than what is outlined in the calendar [including deferring courses into other terms] may compromise your standing in the program. This also facilitates proper planning for labs and fieldwork.