

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR NEW CSD GRADUATE STUDENTS**

Congratulations on your decision to join our Speech Language Pathology or Audiology program at the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders. We put together this packet of general information to help you prepare for your arrival at Syracuse.

### **IMMEDIATE ACTION ITEMS:**

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1. Go to [CSD.SYR.EDU](http://CSD.SYR.EDU) and find the "Graduate Student Checklist" on the Admitted Students Menu. The checklist refers to necessary steps and required departmental forms to complete.
2. If you are a US citizen, you must file the **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)** as soon as possible. <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/#>

### **PREPARATION FOR ARRIVAL:**

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1. Syracuse University must have a **degree-bearing transcript** from your undergraduate and/or graduate institution when you matriculate. CSDCAS will not send us your transcript that you sent for your application. If you are still engaged in study, please wait until your degree is officially posted to order the transcript. Students who have already graduated can send it anytime. Please mail to:  
  
Cheryl Lowery  
Department of Communication Sciences & Disorders  
621 Skytop Road, Ste 1200  
Syracuse, NY 13244
2. [Activate your NetID](#) for access to [MySlice](#) and SUEmail account. This can be done after you are matriculated in the program (after deposit is paid).
3. Be aware that the Audiology and Speech Language Pathology programs at Syracuse University are now using a secure, online program to track clinical experiences, hours, and course competencies called the **TYPHON ALLIED HEALTH STUDENT TRACKING (AHST)** system. This tracking is essential for documentation of requirements for ASHA certification and program requirements, and allows both you and the program to easily monitor and your progress. In addition, this system enables students to maintain an electronic portfolio and manage a variety of external documents. During orientation in August, you will receive training in how to use the Typhon software. There will be a **one-time \$80 fee** that is required to be paid by the student directly to Typhon by credit card, which will allow you access to this system over the entire course of your graduate studies and then *continuing for three years after graduation*. This fee will not be due until after you are trained in August, at the time you log in to the system the first time.

## **TUITION:**

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2015-2016 tuition cost was \$1,388 per graduate credit. The 2016-2017 rates have not yet been released.

Where can I find information about financial aid and loans?

[http://www.syr.edu/financialaid/howtoapply/how\\_to\\_apply\\_graduate%20.html](http://www.syr.edu/financialaid/howtoapply/how_to_apply_graduate%20.html)

Use the time line on this link.

CSD Department scholarship awards are offered as part of the admission offer. They have all been given out at this time based on application merit. Unfortunately, we are not able to touch every student with scholarships.

For information on Graduate Student Financial Aid (not department awards or university awards), please contact Cynthia Roach [Cynthia Roach](#) in the financial aid office and identify yourself as an incoming CSD Graduate Student.

## **HOUSING:**

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### ***On-Campus Housing Options***

Some on-campus housing for graduate students at Syracuse University is available through privately-managed all-inclusive campus housing facilities. These include [University Village Apartments](#), which are in the Skytop apartment area, as well as [Park Point](#) and [Campus West](#) facilities on/near the main campus.

### ***Off-Campus Housing***

Private off-campus housing is available in the residential neighborhoods surrounding the campus, and beyond. A list of housing options our students have recommended is found in the *Off Campus Housing Flyer* on our website. The graduate school also created a helpful resource for many areas, including housing.

<http://graduateadmissions.syr.edu/lifeatsyracuse/>

## **HEALTH MATTERS:**

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### ***Immunizations and Health Records***

Health Record Form link: <http://health.syr.edu/documents/health-form.pdf>

This form must be completed and returned **before June 15<sup>th</sup>**. Students born after January 1, 1957 must submit documentation of the following immunizations administered after 12 months of age:

2 doses of measles vaccine;

1 dose of mumps vaccine; and

1 dose of rubella vaccine.

Other medical records may also be required. Go to the above link for complete information.

There is a mandatory Health Services Fee for all full-time, matriculated graduate students. This will be billed in the fall and spring semesters only. Payment of the fee entitles students to health services in the clinics of Syracuse

University Health Center. The cost of support services such as x-rays, selected procedures, medications, and hospital supplies are in addition to the health fee, although often at a reduced cost to students. Part-time students may opt to pay the health fee for the same coverage, or pay per office visit. Graduate students who hold assistantships, fellowships or tuition scholarships of at least 12 credits per semester receive a health fee remission.

### ***Insurance***

All full-time new students, new and returning international students, and graduate Fellows are required to have health insurance that provides adequate coverage while studying in Syracuse. New students entering Syracuse University will be able to submit proof of coverage on the [Gallagher Student Health website](#). Students unable to provide proof of adequate coverage will be charged for and enrolled in the University-sponsored health insurance plan. [Read more about the requirement, plan and waiver process, and access our frequently asked questions page.](#)

## **INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS:**

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International students are only admitted to Syracuse University by authority of the Graduate School upon recommendation by each department. The CSD admission letter is contingent on the The Graduate School will alert all International applicants of their admission (and perhaps the conditions that must be met by the applicant in order to comply with University and/or US Federal policies). Once an official offer of admission is made by the Graduate School (without conditions), the Office of International Services will process and send all necessary documents for obtaining a student visa. For further information relating to visa arrangements and international student life at Syracuse University please contact the [Lillian and Emanuel Slutzker Center for International Services](#), 310 Walnut Place; Syracuse University; Syracuse, NY 13244; phone/(315) 443-2457, telex/937430, fax/(315) 443-3091, or via email ([lescis@syr.edu](mailto:lescis@syr.edu)).

## **PARKING:**

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### ***Student Permits***

It is highly recommended that you purchase a parking permit. The best permit option for the lowest price is for the Skytop lot right next to our building. Students must park in the overflow lot, but it is still quite close.

All Parking permits can be purchased via the Parking and Transit Services online application, which can be accessed through [MySlice](#). For more information about how to purchase your parking permit and when it will be available to purchase, see the Parking and Transit Services website: <http://parking.syr.edu/permits/student-parking-application/>

If you do not have a car, there is a free shuttle bus service between Main Campus, Manley and Skytop. To find the schedule for the free shuttle or any other area bus and train schedules, go to <http://www.centro.org/>.

You may not need a car for your first year of student, however reliable transportation is **REQUIRED** before the start of your externships.