Purposes

For the Student

To provide the student with a continuing series of practical experiences, geared to the student’s level of expertise, which will provide a chance to apply the principles, skills, and techniques that have been previously acquired in classes and clinical practicum.

To help the student learn how to assume professional roles in clinical settings while becoming accustomed to a variety of organizational structures, working relationships, and job expectations.

To help the student develop a professional identification as a speech-language pathologist and gain experience in fulfilling a role as a team member working with other professionals and families in the treatment process.

For the Participating Site

To give the participating site input into the university program, thereby sharing in the development of future speech-language pathologists.

To serve as a growth experience for the participating speech-language pathologists through interaction with the students.

To provide the participating site an opportunity to recruit employees.

For the University

To provide the university with an outside measure of the student’s ability to function as a speech-language pathologist.

To facilitate continuous evaluation of the curriculum’s relevance and effectiveness, leading to modifications when necessary.

To provide outreach to populations away from the local Boone area, resulting in a more diverse clinical experience for the student.