Dear Speech-Language Pathology Graduate Student:

**Welcome to the graduate program in speech-language pathology in the School of Communication Sciences and Disorders at Pacific University!**

During the next two years you will work together with faculty and peers to become a speech-language pathologist (SLP). You have the opportunity to be a part of an innovative and exciting curriculum. Your program will include a variety of learning experiences designed to support your progress, including large and small group discussions, tutorials, seminars, laboratories, and innovative clinical education opportunities. Each of these components contributes to the development of a well-rounded professional. It is the responsibility of all CSD graduate programs to design an academic and clinical curriculum that provides the opportunity for students to demonstrate basic knowledge and skills necessary for successful practice as an SLP. In addition, our program will build your clinical-decision making skills, promote the acquisition of strong communication and collaboration skills, and enhance your ability to use resources effectively as a self-directed learner. The curriculum is designed to provide you with the tools to enter contemporary practice as an SLP.

We appreciate the confidence you have placed in our faculty, the staff, and in Pacific University as you join the School of Communication Sciences. We look forward to having you in our SLP learning community!

Cordially,

Martin Fischer, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, ASHA Fellow
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