CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LONG BEACH

POLICY STATEMENT

NUMBER: 75-9

UNIFORM FILE

REFERENCE: Audiology

SUBJECT: OPTION IN AUDIOLOGY

The following policy statement approved by the Academic Senate at its meeting of February 7, 1975, and approved by the Chancellor's Office, is approved as follows:

OPTION IN AUDIOLOGY

- 1. California State University, Long Beach proposes an Audiology Option at the graduate level.
- The degree major program under which this option will be offered is the Master of Arts in Communicative Disorders offered by the Department of Communicative Disorders.
- 3. The Department of Communicative Disorders presently offers a Master of Arts degree in Communicative Disorders with a Speech Pathology pattern.
- 4. The following departments will offer the aggregate of elective courses:

 Communicative Disorders, Psychology, Speech Communication, and
 Educational Psychology.
- 5. The purpose of this option is to guide students into courses that will enable them to obtain the Certificate of Clinical Competence in Audiology awarded by the American Speech and Hearing Association and/or an Audiologist License granted by the State of California.
- 6. This option is needed to improve the professional competence and status of graduating students with an interest in Audiology.
- 7. The Audiology Option will consist of the following requirements. Requirements for the Speech Pathology Option are included to show relationship between the two options.

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MASTER OF ARTS

Students must elect one of two available options: audiology or speech pathology. Both options require a minimum of 30 units of upper division and graduate coursework approved by the student's department graduate adviser, including:

- 1. Fifteen units of 500/600 level courses which must include:
 - a. Communicative Disorders 696 (both options) to be completed during the student's first semester of graduate study.
 - b. Communicative Disorders 697 (both options) or 698 (both options).
 - c. One or more units of Communicative Disorders 669 (speech pathology option) or 679 (audiology option).
 - d. A minimum of one seminar: Communicative Disorders 662 or 663 (speech pathology option) or 674 (audiology option).
 - e. Sufficient additional units of 500/600 level courses in Communicative Disorders to support selected option.
- 2. Nine units of acceptable upper division or graduate courses in communicative disorders.
- 3. Six units of acceptable electives in any discipline, selected in consultation with the adviser. Student teaching, special methods courses and 300-level courses in the School of Education may not apply.
- 4. A thesis or comprehensive written examination. Department graduate committee approval is required to elect either thesis or comprehensive examination.
- 5. A final oral examination which includes defense of the thesis or the comprehensive written examination and is administered by the candidate's committee.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

No additional faculty will be required to implement this degree option since all courses included in the program are now being offered and requests for additional faculty are based on existing growth patterns and course demands precipitated by new credential requirements.

No additional funds for supplies and equipment will be required to implement this degree option since, as stated in the above paragraph, all courses included in the program are already being offered on a regular basis and requests for supplies and additional or replacement equipment are based on existing growth patterns and heavy usage of equipment by both graduate and undergraduate students enrolled in department audiology courses.

Effective: Immediately

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