AMERICAN ACADEMY OF AUDIOLOGY

GO FOR A CAREER IN **AUDIOLOGY**

Make a difference through science, technology, and patient care.



WHY AUDIOLOGY?

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Help people communicate, connect with others, and improve their quality of life.



COMBINE SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

Apply neuroscience, acoustics, technology, and clinical science to real-world health-care challenges.



EXPLORE YOUR INTERESTS

Build a career in clinical care, research, education, industry, business, public health, and more.



KEEP LEARNING & INNOVATING

Work in an evolving field shaped by advances in hearing technology, cochlear implants, vestibular care, telehealth, artificial intelligence, and more.



AUDIOLOGY AT A GLANCE

$95,780

Median annual wage for audiologists in 2025

11%

Projected employment growth from 2025–2035

4 YEARS

Typical AuD program length beyond a bachelor's degree

Data pulled from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

WHAT DOES AN AUDIOLOGIST DO?



Audiologists evaluate, diagnose, treat, and manage hearing loss, tinnitus, balance disorders, and other auditory and vestibular conditions.

Depending on their area of interest, audiologists may:

- Evaluate hearing and balance
- Fit and manage hearing aids and other hearing technologies
- Work with cochlear implants and other implantable devices
- Evaluate and manage tinnitus
- Evaluate and treat vestibular disorders
- Provide hearing and communication rehabilitation
- Provide hearing screenings, including newborn screening
- Develop hearing conservation and hearing protection programs
- Evaluate and manage auditory processing disorders
- Conduct research and educate future professionals
- Collaborate with other health-care professionals

WORK SETTINGS

Hospitals • Clinics • Private Practices • ENT Offices • Schools • Colleges & Universities • Research Laboratories • Hearing Technology Companies • Government Agencies • Military • Veterans Health Administration

HOW DO I BECOME AN AUDIOLOGIST?

1. START WITH YOUR UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION

You don't have to major in a specific undergraduate field to pursue audiology. Students enter AuD programs from a variety of backgrounds, including communication sciences, biology, psychology, physics, chemistry, engineering, and other disciplines.

Tip: Check the prerequisites for the AuD programs you're considering.

2. EARN YOUR DOCTOR OF AUDIOLOGY (AuD)

The AuD is the professional doctoral degree for clinical audiology. AuD programs typically require four years of full-time study beyond a bachelor's degree and combine academic coursework with extensive clinical education.

Your education may include:
Anatomy • Physiology • Neuroscience • Acoustics • Hearing Science • Balance Science • Diagnostics • Hearing Technology • Pharmacology • Counseling • Rehabilitation • Ethics • Clinical Practice

3. GET HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE

Clinical education is an important part of becoming an audiologist. AuD programs provide opportunities to work with patients and apply what you learn in real-world settings.

START YOUR JOURNEY

EXPLORE THE PROFESSION

Shadow or volunteer with an audiologist. Talk with professionals about their experiences and the different career paths available in audiology.

EXPLORE AUD PROGRAMS

Compare doctoral programs and find one that matches your interests, goals, and career plans.

Find a Doctoral Program

CONNECT WITH OTHER STUDENTS

The Student Academy of Audiology (SAA) provides students with resources, networking, leadership, advocacy, and professional development opportunities.

Vist SAA

EXPLORE CAREER RESOURCES

Find information about education, careers, scholarships, leadership, and life as an audiologist.

Explore Resources

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