Western Michigan University’s Audiology (Au.D.) program consistently generates advancements in knowledge and treatment regarding human hearing and communication processes and disorders.

The program provides experience in on-campus specialty clinics, including: the Southwest Michigan Childhood Trauma Assessment Center, the Charles Van Riper listening and spoken language program for children with hearing impairment, and the hearing loss prevention program.

Students can experience dynamic and varied clinical partnerships within southwest Michigan communities and beyond, including study abroad opportunities.

Students work with recognized faculty scholars on research grants and projects related to assessment, listening and spoken language, hearing loss prevention, and effects of ototoxic agents on auditory development and physiology.

Founder Dr. Charles Van Riper was known world-wide for his pioneering, innovative treatment for stuttering; his legacy of compassion is evident in the support and encouragement current faculty offer students.

A comprehensive curriculum exposes students to the breadth and depth of the profession, allowing them to develop knowledge and essential skills in clinical service provision, research, and interprofessionalism.
Audiology (Au.D.)

Teaching, Research, and Program Focus Areas
Faculty members receive prestigious federal grants from the National Institutes of Health, the Institute of Educational Sciences, and the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health. Faculty excellence is also reflected in numerous national awards and notable WMU awards for distinguished research and service. Areas of expertise include: hearing loss prevention, evaluation and treatment of hearing loss, patients’ perceptions of clinical outcomes, and intervention effectiveness.

The Au.D. program seeks to prepare professionals who have the knowledge, judgment and problem solving skills necessary to provide high quality services and leadership in audiology and to work effectively in an ever changing world.

Admissions
A typical applicant must submit the WMU online graduate application and apply directly to the Communication Sciences and Disorders Centralized Application Service. Applications for graduate fall enrollment are due by February 1, and competitive GRE scores are required. Please visit wmich.edu/speech-audiology for detailed admission requirements and instructions.

Graduate Assistantships/Associateships
Graduate assistantship/associateship positions—and scholarships and financial aid—may be available. Interested individuals should contact the audiology program coordinator.

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