

SPEECH AND LANGUAGE THERAPIST (SLP)/ AUDIOLOGIST

Speech and Language Therapists are professionals who treat people with difficulty in speaking or some form of speech disorders. The therapist performs different activities to improve communication, strengthen oral muscles, reading, pronunciation and so on. Speech therapy is needed for childhood speech disorders or speech impairments in adults caused by an injury or illness, such as stroke or brain injury.

PERSONAL COMPETENCIES

- You like to help others
- You are comfortable in communicating with others
- You pay attention to details while working
- You like to analyse problems/ situations



The approx. course fee ranges between **INR 20,000 - 5,00,000*** for the full course

**These figures are estimated numbers and will vary from Institute to Institute.*

SCHOLARSHIPS

• National Scholarship Portal - Visit www.scholarships.gov.in. Under this portal there are Central Government schemes, UGC/AICTE Schemes and Assam Government Schemes offered by different departments*

• Visit www.buddy4study.com for details on available scholarships. This is a gateway to scholarships starting from Class XI*

• Scholarships are also available in the Institutes based on merit*

**(Availability of these scholarships can vary from time to time)*

LOANS

• VidyaLakshmi, www.vidyalakshmi.co.in, is a portal for students seeking education loan. This portal has been developed under the guidance of the Department of Financial Services, (Ministry of Finance), Department of Higher Education (Ministry of Human Resource Development) and Indian Banks Association (IBA).

• Some states have student credit cards with low interest rates, for instance, West Bengal, Odisha, Bihar, etc.

• All banks give education loans.



ENTRY PATHWAY

1. Complete 10+2 in the Science stream (Physics, Chemistry, Biology)
2. Complete a Bachelor's degree (B.Sc/B.ASLP) in Audiology/Audiology and Speech Language therapy
OR
Complete a Bachelor's degree followed by a Master's degree in the same field

For admissions, you need to clear NEET for admission to the BASLP course

Please check the duration of the course during enrolment



EXPECTED INCOME

**The figures are indicative & subject to change*

The approx. salary of a Speech and Language Therapist ranges between **INR 16,334 - 83,334*** per month.

Source - <https://www.payscale.com/research/IN/Job=Audiologist/Salary>

WHERE WILL YOU WORK?

Places of Work: Special schools, NGOs, Clinics, Research firms, Rehabilitation centres, Colleges.

Entrepreneurship: You can set up a private practice.

Work Environment: You are likely to work in various industries, including manufacturing, health and personal care stores, doctors' offices, and hospitals. You are expected to work full time.

Opportunities for work exist for differently abled in this field

EXPECTED GROWTH PATH

Trainee → Speech Therapist and Audiologist → Senior Speech Therapist → Head of the Department

Search keywords...



speech therapist, speech specialist, audiologist

WHERE WILL YOU STUDY?

The course is offered by the Department of Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology. This list of institutes is indicative only.

GOVERNMENT INSTITUTES

1. CRC - GMCH, Guwahati
2. International Institute of Rehabilitation Sciences & Research, Bhubneswar
3. CRC - Tripura
4. Holy Cross College, Tiruchirappalli
5. Regional Institute of Medical Sciences, Imphal
6. Jawaharlal Institute of Postgraduate Medical Education and Research (JIPMER), Puducherry
7. Kerala University of Health Sciences, Thrissur
8. Ali Yavar Jung National Institute for the Hearing Handicapped, Secunderabad

PRIVATE INSTITUTES

(Please check if Institute is affiliated and accredited with UGC and MCI before applying)

1. Bharati Vidyapeeth Medical College, Pune
2. Institute of Health Sciences, Bhuvaneshwar
3. Sri Aurobindo Institute of Medical Sciences, Indore
4. Kerala Institute of Health Sciences, Thrissur
5. Topiwala National Medical College, Mumbai
6. Manipal Academy of Higher Education, Manipal
7. Dr SR Chandrasekhar Institute of Speech and Hearing, Bangalore
8. Christian Medical College, Vellore

Information on Institute rankings is available at - <https://www.nirfindia.org/2022/Ranking.html>

ONLINE COURSES

Udemy - <https://www.udemy.com/topic/speech-therapy/>

EXAMPLE FROM THE FIELD

Dr. Preeja Balan is a Speech Therapist in Bangalore and has 19-year experience in this field. She completed MASLP- Pathology from Ali Yavar Jung Institute Of Hearing Handicapped in 1998 and Ph. D (Speech -Language Pathology) from All India Institute of Speech and Hearing. She is a member of Indian Speech and Hearing Association and Alzheimer's and Related Disorders Society of India.*

Source - <https://www.practo.com/bangalore/therapist/dr-preeja-balan-speech-therapist>

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