COMD 7325 HEARING AND DEAFNESS

University of Texas at Dallas Spring 2017 Online

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Introduction: This course is designed to provide an introduction to issues, assessment, and management of hearing-impairment. Topics covered include principles and prerequisites for intervention, amplification, aural habilitation programs, sign language, and deaf culture. Use of and development of Online Tools for Learning will also be included. Learning Lab activities will be presented by WEDNESDAY each week online to complete within the following week with a partner. This format involves several experiential learning activities rather than traditional lecture format.

Course Objectives:

Students will learn the principles of:

- 1) audiological assessment
- 2) hearing aid selection, fitting, and troubleshooting
- 3) assistive listening devices
- 4) group amplification systems
- 5) cochlear implants
- 6) assistive listening devices
- 7) deaf culture and communication options
- 8) management of adults with hearing loss-auditory/visual training, communication strategies, psychosocial
- 9) management of children with hearing loss-family dynamics, educational programs, auditory training

Course Requirements:

1) Prerequisite - Coursework in basic Speech and/or Hearing Science is strongly recommended but not required.

2) Readings -

Webpage Tutorials (others to be assigned):

http://www.utd.edu/~thib/EARRINGFINAL/AudioDemos/Ed Needs Students HL.ppt

http://www.utd.edu/~thib select HA Troubleshooting

http://www.utd.edu/~thib select FM Troubleshooting

Textbook: Foundations of Aural Rehabilitation: Children, Adults, and Their Family Members (2014) Edition 4 by Tye-Murray, Nancy - ©2015; **ISBN10:** 1-133-28142-7; **ISBN13:** 978-1-133-28142-9 PUBLISHER: Cengage Learning;

3) Online Access-

The Assignments and Learning Labs will require online access. Access to the following will be required:

- a) UTD E-Learning access from the UTD webpage using your UTD login
- b) Webex-Some information/discussions/reviews may be conducted via Webex. Further instructions will be provided.
- c) Online Tutorials from www.audiologyonline.com . Because you must develop skills as a lifelong learner to keep current in this rapidly changing field, you will select two courses from the Audiology Online library to watch and submit summaries.

4) Evaluation

- a) 200 pts Midterm exam consisting of short essay questions to take online due Monday, March 6.
- b) 300 pts A comprehensive final exam in the same format described above due Monday, May 2.
- c) 200 pts Ten Learning Labs- Writeups due weekly, Submit in eLearning. You will be issued a hearing aid and two

- earmolds to use for the learning labs. You will complete the Learning Lab (LL) weekly and submit your writeup. You may consult with the TA or instructor while completing the Lab through making an appointment to meet in person or online.
- d) 300 pts- Online Course Summaries- Due April 10, Submit in eLearning, Complete two aural rehabilitation online courses at www.audiologyonline.com and write a two-page summary of the course relative to class material. Describe content and indicate material that was supportive or conflicting with course information. Evaluate the benefit of taking the course.
- e) 200 pts-AR Optional Experience- You can participate in a Hearing Heath Gym experience for at least 3 sessions to enhance your learning. You are welcome to participate in all 6 if you'd like. These hour sessions are held at a retirement center 5 min from UTD main campus and involve Aural Rehabilitation in unique ways that incorporate sharpening cognitive skills while listening and moving. A handbook of general guidelines will be provided and responsibilities clearly defined for participation. Completing the coursework will prepare you for the experience. The summary of this experience, due April 24, will result in your final only counting 100 rather than 300 pts.
- f) Final Grade Perfect performance would be a total point score of 1000. Total point scores above 900 are A's, between 800 and 900 are

 B's, between 700 and 800 are C's, etc. You must get at least 240 pts on the FINAL to make an A, 210 points to make a B, etc. In general, in order make an A, one must know the details from the readings that are NOT presented in the directed course activities.
- 4) You will have a formal opportunity to evaluate the course during the semester but feel free to email/call to discuss any concerns regarding this course.
- 5) Additional Information Make-up exams will not be given. Late assignments NOT BE ACCEPTED and evidence of academic dishonesty will result in action according to University policy. Academic dishonesty includes cheating, plagiarism, collusion, and falsifying academic records. Please consult the course schedule and catalogue for information on withdrawals, incompletes, and academic honesty. If you email within 4 hours of the exam or assignment due date with an acceptable reason, the remaining assignments/exams will receive greater weight, rather than receiving no credit.
- 6) Accommodations-If you require any modification to the class activities including lectures, discussions, exams, and assignments in order to accommodate specific learning needs, please notify me by the end of the first week of class in person or by email and provide documentation. I will be happy to make whatever arrangements are needed to facilitate learning and participation in the class.

APPROXIMATE COURSE OUTLINE

Week Of	Торіс	Assignment from Text Book or Web	Learning Lab
Jan 9	0-Introduction to Aural Habilitation	Web: Ed_Needs_Students_HL.ppt	
Jan 16	1-Audiological Assessment	Chapter 3	1-Audiometric Simulator-Due Jan 23
Jan 23	2-Personal Amplification Systems-Candidacy, Selection	Chapter 4	2-Hearing Aid Check- Due Jan 30
Jan 30	3-Personal Amplification Systems -Fitting, Troubleshooting	Chapter 4 Web: Troubleshooting HAs	3-HA Troubleshooting/ Earmolds-Due Feb 6
Feb 6	4-Cochlear Implants and Assistive Listening Devices	Chapter 4	4-Cochlear Implant Listening Check-Due Feb 13
Feb 13	5-Group Amplification Systems Hearing Health Gym-Feb 18 10:30-11:30	Chapter 4 Web:Troubleshooting FMs	5-FM System Trial- Due Feb 20
Feb 20	ONLINE CLASS-YOUR CHOICE www.audiologyonline.com	N/A	N/A
Feb 27	MIDTERM-to be completed during the week, due March 6 Hearing Health Gym-Feb 28 4:00-5:00 Hearing Health Gym-March 4 10:30-11:30	Online	N/A
March 6	6-Management of Adults with Hearing Loss-Aud/Vis Training	Chapter 5,6	6-Speech Tracking- Due March 20

March13	SPRING BREAK Hearing Health Gym-March 14 4:00-5:00		
March 20	ONLINE CLASS-YOUR CHOICE www.audiologyonline.com	N/A	N/A
March 27	7-Management of Adults with Hearing Loss- Handicap Assessment, Psychosocial Hearing Health Gym-April 1 10:30-11:30	Chapter 8,9	7-Aud/VisTraining Read my Quips-Due April 3
April 3	8-Management of Adults with Hearing Loss- Handicap - Intervention Plans	Chapter 10,11	8- Aud Training-Due April 10
April 10	9-Management of Children with Hearing Loss-Family Online Course Summaries Due Hearing Health Gym-April 11, 4:00-5:00	Chapter 13,14	9-Online Speech in Noise Test-Due April 17
April 17	10-Management of Children with Hearing Loss-School	Chapter 15,16	10-Classroom Acoustics-Due April 24
April 24	11-Management of Children with Hearing Loss-Challenges AR Experience Summary Due FINAL EXAM POSTED	CARE Project	N/A
May 2	FINAL EXAM - DUE	Online	N/A

For undergraduate and master-level speech-language pathology students, this class will provide knowledge relevant to your certification in speech-language pathology in the following areas:

- a. Standard III-b. The applicant must demonstrate knowledge of basic human communication and swallowing processes, including their biological, neurological, acoustic, psychological, developmental and linguistic and cultural bases.
- b. Standard III-C. The applicant must demonstrate knowledge of the nature of speech, language, hearing and communication disorders and differences and swallowing disorders, including their etiologies, characteristics, anatomical/physiological, acoustic, psychological, developmental, and linguistic and cultural correlates.
- c. Standard III-D. The applicant must possess knowledge of the principles and methods of prevention, assessment, and intervention for people with communication and swallowing disorders, including consideration of anatomical/physiological, psychological, developmental, and linguistic and cultural correlates of the disorders.

For undergraduate and doctorate of audiology students, this class will provide knowledge relevant to your certification in audiology in the following areas:

- a. Standard IV-B Foundations of practice. Sections B3, B4, B5, B6, B9, B13, B15, B16, B17, and B21.
- b. Standard IV-D Evaluation. The applicant must be competent in the evaluation of individuals with suspected disorders of the auditory, balance, communication and systems. Sections D2, D3, D10, and D12, D13, D14.
- c. Standard IV-E Treatment. The applicant must be competent in the treatment of individuals with auditory, balance, and related communication disorders. Sections E2, E3, E4, E6, E7, E8, E9, E10, E11, and E14.

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For undergraduate and doctorate of audiology students, this class will provide knowledge relevant to your certification in audiology in the following areas:

- a. Standard IV-A Foundations of practice. Sections A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, A10, A15, A16, A19, A20, A23c, A26, A27.
 - b. Standard IV-B Prevention and Identification. Sections B1 and B2.
- c. Standard IV-D Evaluation. The applicant must be competent in the evaluation of individuals with the suspected disorders of auditory, balance, communication and related systems. Sections D1, D2d, D5, D7
- d. Standard IV-E-Treatment. The applicant must be competent in the treatment of individuals with auditory, balance, and related communication disorders. Sections E1, E2

Please refer to the link below for additional class policies

http://provost.utdallas.edu/syllabus-policies/

UT Dallas Syllabus Policies and Procedures

The information below constitutes the University's policies and procedures segment of course syllabi and may be referenced by faculty members in their course syllabi.

Please use the following permanent address when referring to this page: http://go.utdallas.edu/syllabus-policies

Sharing Confidential Information

Students considering sharing personal information in email, in person, or within assignments or exams should be aware that faculty members and teaching/research assistants are required by UT Dallas policy to report information about sexual misconduct to the UT Dallas Title IX Coordinator. Per university policy, faculty have been informed that they must identify the student to the UT Dallas Title IX Coordinator. Students who wish to have confidential discussions of incidents related to sexual harassment or sexual misconduct should contact the Student Counseling Center (972-883-2527 or after hours 972-UTD-TALK or 972-883-8255), the Women's Center (972-883-8255), a health care provider in the Student Health Center (972-883-2747), the clergyperson (or other legally recognized religious advisor) of their choice, or an off-campus resource (i.e., rape crisis center, doctor, psychologist). Students who are sexually assaulted, harassed, or victims of sexual misconduct, domestic violence, or stalking, are encouraged to directly report these incidents to the UT Dallas Police Department at 972-883-2222 or to the Title IX Coordinator at 972-883-2218. Additional information and resources may be found at http://www.utdallas.edu/oiec/title-ix/resources.

Campus Carry

The University's concealed handgun policy is posted on the campus carry website: https://www.utdallas.edu/campuscarry/

Technical Support

If you experience any issues with your UT Dallas account, contact the UT Dallas Office of Information Technology Help Desk: assist@utdallas.edu or call 972-883-2911.

UT Dallas provides eLearning technical support 24 hours a day/7 days a week. The services include a toll free telephone number for immediate assistance (1-866-588-3192), email request service, and an online chat service. Please use this link to access the UTD eLearning Helpdesk: http://www.utdallas.edu/elearning/eLearningHelpdesk.html.

Field Trip Policies, Off-Campus Instruction and Course Activities

Off-campus, out-of-state, foreign instruction/travel, and course-related field trip activities are subject to state law and University policies and procedures regarding travel and risk-related activities.

Detailed information regarding this policy, in accordance to *Texas Education Code*, Section 51.950, can be accessed at the UT Dallas Policy Navigator, http://policy.utdallas.edu/utdbp3023, and at http://www.utdallas.edu/administration/insurance/travel. Additional information is available from the office of the school dean.

Student Conduct and Discipline

The University of Texas System (Regents' Rule 50101) and The University of Texas at Dallas have rules and regulations for the orderly and efficient conduct of their business. It is the responsibility of each student and each student organization to be knowledgeable about the rules and regulations which govern student conduct and activities. General information on student conduct and discipline is contained in the UT Dallas online catalogs (http://catalog.utdallas.edu).

The University of Texas at Dallas administers student discipline within the procedures of recognized and established due process. Procedures are defined and described in the Student Code of Conduct, UTDSP5003 (http://policy.utdallas.edu/utdsp5003). Copies of these rules and regulations are available to students in the Office of

Community Standards and Conduct, where staff members are available to assist students in interpreting the rules and regulations (SSB 4.400, 972-883-6391) and online at https://www.utdallas.edu/conduct/.

A student at the University neither loses their rights nor escapes the responsibilities of citizenship. He or she is expected to obey federal, state, and local laws as well as the Regents' Rules, university regulations, and administrative rules. Students are subject to discipline for violating its standards of conduct whether such conduct takes place on or off campus, or whether civil or criminal penalties are also imposed for such conduct.

Academic Integrity

The faculty expects from its students a high level of responsibility and academic honesty. Because the value of an academic degree depends upon the absolute integrity of the work done by the student for that degree, it is imperative that a student demonstrates a high standard of individual honor in his or her scholastic work.

Academic Dishonesty: Academic dishonesty can occur in relation to any type of work submitted for academic credit or as a requirement for a class. It can include individual work or a group project. Academic dishonesty includes plagiarism, cheating, fabrication, and collaboration/collusion. In order to avoid academic dishonesty, it is important for students to fully understand the expectations of their professors. This is best accomplished through asking clarifying questions if an individual does not completely understand the requirements of an assignment.

Additional information related to academic dishonesty and tips on how to avoid dishonesty may be found here: https://www.utdallas.edu/conduct/dishonesty/.

Copyright Notice

It is the policy of the University of Texas at Dallas to adhere to the requirements of the United States Copyright Law of 1976, as amended, (*Title 17*, *United States Code*), including ensuring that the restrictions that apply to the reproduction of software are adhered to and that the bounds of copying permissible under the fair use doctrine are not exceeded. Copying, displaying, reproducing, or distributing copyrighted material may infringe upon the copyright owner's rights. Unauthorized distribution of copyrighted material, including unauthorized peer-to-peer file sharing, may subject students to appropriate disciplinary action as well as civil and criminal penalties. Usage of such material is only appropriate when that usage constitutes "fair use" under the Copyright Act. For more information about the fair use exemption, see http://copyright.lib.utexas.edu/copypol2.html. As a UT Dallas student, you are required to follow UT Dallas' copyright policy (UTDPP1043 at http://policy.utdallas.edu/utdpp1043) and the UT System's policy, UTS107 at http://www.utsystem.edu/board-of-regents/policy-library/policies/uts107-use-copyrighted-materials.

Email Use

The University of Texas at Dallas recognizes the value and efficiency of communication between faculty/staff and students through electronic mail. At the same time, email raises some issues concerning security and the identity of each individual in an email exchange. All official student email correspondence will be sent only to a student's UT Dallas email address and UT Dallas will only consider email requests originating from an official UT Dallas student email account. This allows the University to maintain a high degree of confidence in the identity of each individual's corresponding via email and the security of the transmitted information. The University of Texas at Dallas furnishes each student with a free email account that is to be used in all communication with university personnel. The Office of Information Technology provides a method for students to have their UT Dallas mail forwarded to other email accounts. To activate a student UT Dallas computer account and forward email to another account, go to https://netid.utdallas.edu.

Class Attendance

Regular and punctual class attendance is expected. Students who fail to attend class regularly are inviting scholastic difficulty. Absences may lower a student's grade where class attendance and class participation are deemed essential by the instructor. In some courses, instructors may have special attendance requirements; these should be made known to students during the first week of classes.

Withdrawal from Class

The administration at UT Dallas has established deadlines for withdrawal from any course. These dates and times are published in the Comet Calendar (http://www.utdallas.edu/calendar) and in the Academic Calendar http://www.utdallas.edu/academiccalendar). It is the student's responsibility to handle withdrawal requirements from any

class. In other words, a professor or other instructor cannot drop or withdraw any student unless there is an administrative drop such as the following:

- Have not met the prerequisites for a specific course
- Have not satisfied the academic probationary requirements resulting in suspension
- Office of Community Standards and Conduct request
- Have not made appropriate tuition and fee payments
- Enrollment is in violation of academic policy
- Was not admitted for the term in which they registered

It is the student's responsibility to complete and submit the appropriate forms to the Registrar's Office and ensure that he or she will not receive a final grade of "F" in a course if he or she chooses not to attend the class after being enrolled.

Student Grievance Procedures

Procedures for student grievances are found in university policy UTDSP5005 (http://policy.utdallas.edu/utdsp5005). In attempting to resolve any student grievance regarding disputes over grades, application of degree plan, graduation/degree program requirements, and thesis/and dissertation committee, adviser actions and/or decisions, evaluations, and/or other fulfillments of academic responsibility, it is the obligation of the student first to make a serious effort to resolve the matter with the instructor, supervisor, administrator, or committee with whom the grievance originated.

Incomplete Grade Policy

As per university policy, incomplete grades may be given, at the discretion of the instructor of record for a course, when a student has completed at least 70% of the required course material but cannot complete all requirements by the end of the semester. An incomplete course grade (grade of 'I') must be completed within the time period specified by the instructor, not to exceed eight (8) weeks from the first day of the subsequent long semester. Upon completion of the required work, the symbol 'I' may be converted into a letter grade (A through F). If the grade of Incomplete is not removed by the end of the specified period, it will automatically be changed to F.

AccessAbility Services

It is the policy and practice of The University of Texas at Dallas to make reasonable accommodations for students with properly documented disabilities. However, written notification from the Office of Student AccessAbility (OSA) is required. If you are eligible to receive an accommodation and would like to request it for this course, please discuss it with your professor and allow one week advance notice. Students who have questions about receiving accommodations, or those who have, or think they may have, a disability (mobility, sensory, health, psychological, learning, etc.) are invited to contact OSA for a confidential discussion. OSA is located in the Student Services Building, SSB 3.200. They can be reached by phone at 972-883-2098, or by email at studentaccess@utdallas.edu.

Religious Holy Days

The University of Texas at Dallas will excuse a student from class or other required activities, including examinations and travel time for the observance of a religious holy day for a religion whose places of worship are exempt from property tax under Section 11.20, of the *Texas Tax Code*.

Students are encouraged to notify the instructor or activity sponsor as soon as possible regarding the absence, preferably in advance of the assignment.

Excused students will be allowed to take missed exams or complete assignments within a reasonable time after the absence: a period equal to the length of the absence, up to a maximum of one week. A student who notifies the instructor and completes any missed exam or assignment may not be penalized for the absence. A student who fails to complete the exam or assignment within the prescribed period may receive a failing grade for that exam or assignment.

If a student or an instructor disagrees about the nature of the absence [i.e., for the purpose of observing a religious holy day] or if there is similar disagreement about whether the student has been given a reasonable time to complete any missed assignments or examinations, either the student or the instructor may request a ruling from the President of UT Dallas or from the President's designee. The chief executive officer or designee must take into account the legislative intent of *Texas Education Code* 51.911(b), and the student and instructor will abide by the decision of the chief executive officer or designee.

Resources to Help You Succeed

The Office of Student Success operates the Student Success Center (SSC, http://www.utdallas.edu/studentsuccess), which offers assistance to students in the areas of writing, mathematics, communication, multiple science fields, reading, study skills, and other academic disciplines. These services are available through individual and small group appointments, workshops, short courses, and a variety of online and instructional technologies. All students enrolled at UT Dallas are eligible for these services.

The **Math Lab** gives short-term and semester long support for a variety of introductory and advanced mathematics courses. Students may drop in to visit with a math tutor on a regular basis. Comet card is required.

The **Writing Center** offers a collaborative learning environment for one-to-one and small group assistance with general and advanced writing assignments and overall writing skills. Scheduling an appointment is strongly recommended, but walk in appointments are possible if a tutor is available.

The **Peer Tutoring** program offers free tutoring assistance in multiple locations for many of the historically challenging undergraduate subjects at UT Dallas. Tutoring sessions, offered every weekday on a drop-in basis, are one-on-one or in a small group format. The sessions are designed to meet students' individual questions and needs related to course/subject concepts. All peer tutors are current UT Dallas students who made an A- or better in the course and have a strong faculty/staff recommendation. Students should check the Student Success Center website each semester for subject offerings and session times.

The **Peer-Led Team Learning (PLTL)** program provides an active, engaged learning experience for students who meet in small groups once a week with a Peer Leader who helps guide them through a potentially difficult gateway course. Students that attend sessions regularly typically earn a half to a whole letter grade higher than students that do not participate in the PLTL program.

Supplemental Instruction (SI) provides free, peer-facilitated weekly study sessions for students taking historically difficult courses. SI sessions encourage active, collaborative learning based on critical thinking and transferable study skills. SI leaders attend lectures, take notes, and read assigned material just like the enrolled students. Students should check the SSC website for subject and session times.

The **Communication Lab** (**CommLab**) offers one-on-one and group consultations where you will gain practical feedback for improving oral and group presentations.

Success Coaches are available for individual student appointments to discuss study skills, time management, note taking, test taking and preparation, and other success strategies.

The Student Success Center's main office is located in the McDermott Library Building and can be contacted by calling 972-883-6707 or by sending an email to ssc@utdallas.edu.

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STUDENT INFORMATION SHEET

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NAME	
Preferred Name	
EMAIL	
MAJOR	
EXPECTED DEGREE/GRADUATION DATE	
Have you had any other Audiology courses? If so, what?	
Have you ever known someone with hearing loss? If so, please elaborat	e .
What do you hope to gain from this class?	
Do you work in addition to taking classes? If so, where, and how many	hours?
ONE QUESTION YOU'D LIKE TO ASK IN THIS CLASS	