LEHMAN COLLEGE

OF THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

DEPARTMENT OF SPEECH-LANGUAGE- HEARING SCIENCES

CURRICULUM CHANGE

Name of Program and Degree Award: Dept. of Speech-Language- Hearing Sciences,

B.A. in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology

Hegis Number: Program Code:

Effective Term: Fall 2015

1. Type of Change: Change in Degree Requirements

2. From:

Speech Pathology and Audiology, B.A. (34-Credit Major)

All applicants to the Major must first apply for admission to the College. After being admitted to the College, students apply to the Department of Speech-Language-Hearing Sciences to declare a Major in Speech Pathology and Audiology. To remain in the major students must take four of the five required courses chosen from <u>SPV 221 (LNG 230)</u>, SPV (LNG) 245, <u>SPV 246 (LNG 160)</u>, SPV (LNG) 247, and <u>SPV 249</u>—and maintain a minimum cumulative index of 2.7 (B-) in these courses. Students who do not achieve a cumulative GPA of 2.7 in these first four courses may use them as a Minor in Speech Pathology and Audiology.

The required credits are distributed as follows:

- 15 SPV 221 (LNG 230), SPV (LNG 245), SPV 246 (LNG 160), SPV (LNG) 247, and SPV 249
- 15 SPV 312, SPV 326, SPV 327, SPV 328, and SPV 430
- 4 PSY 226 or ENW 201

3. To:

Speech Pathology and Audiology, B.A. (46-Credit Major)

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The required credits are distributed as follows:

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- 15 SPV 312, SPV 326, SPV 327, SPV 328, and SPV 430
- 3 Social Science requirement: PSY 166: General Psychology or SOC 166: Fundamentals of Sociology
- 4 Biological Science requirement: BIO 183: Human Biology, or
 - BIO 166: Principles of Biology: Cells & Genes
- 3 Natural Science requirement: PHY 141: Physics of Speech, Sound, & Music
- 3 Statistics requirement: MAT 132: Introduction to Statistics
- Writing requirement: ENW 3070: Health and Science Writing

TOTAL CREDITS

<u>46</u>

4. Rationale: Currently the majority of required courses within the Speech Pathology & Audiology major are taken within the Dept. of Speech-Language-Hearing Sciences. In addition to these courses, students have a choice of taking either an Advanced Expository Writing course or Statistical Methods in Psychology. In order to better address our learning outcome, 1.1 Students will demonstrate knowledge of the principles of the biological sciences, physical sciences, mathematics, life, social, and behavioral sciences, as well as comply with requirements with the American-Speech-Language- Association (ASHA) for certification, we are adding the additional requirements of a course in the natural, biological, and social sciences, statistics, and an advanced writing course. We are eliminating the choices of ENW 201 or PSY 226 as both a writing course and a statistics course are necessary to fulfill certification requirements for ASHA and to ensure students achieve our learning outcomes. ENW

3070 is a better-suited writing course for students in the health sciences, and MAT 132 provides an introductory level Statistics course for our students. MAT 132 was selected in favor of PSY 226: Statistical Methods in Psychology as MAT 132 is a prerequisite course for PSY 226, and will fulfill the level of knowledge in Statistics required by ASHA. PHY 141 fulfills a Foundation course requirement under Pathways, and PSY 166 will fulfill a Distribution course requirement. As a result of these additional courses, the total credits for the major would increase from 34 credits to 46 credits.

5. Date of departmental approval: 3/17/15