

AUDIOLOGIST

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Legal Authority Code of Iowa, Chapter 147; Iowa Administrative Code 645, 299-301, 303-305

Job Description Audiologists provide services related to disorders of hearing and associated communication disorders by the measuring, testing, evaluating, identifying, preventing, ameliorating, modifying, or remediating hearing disorders. After diagnosis, the licensee may provide consultation, counseling and instruction for the non-medical rehabilitation of individuals and groups, including the determination and use of appropriate amplification.

Speech and hearing are so closely related that a person must have some knowledge of both to be a success as an audiologist or speech pathologist.

Education & Experience Required An applicant must have a master's degree or its equivalent from an accredited college with a major in Audiology; not less than 300 hours of supervised clinical training by an accredited college or university; and, not less than nine months of supervised clinical experience completed after the master's degree (within one year) with a temporary license or a certificate of clinical competence issued by American Speech Language Hearing Association (ASHA). Temporary licensing can be obtained, but an Iowa-licensed audiologist must supervise the licensee.

Other applicants must submit proof of a current Certificate of Clinical Competence (CCC) from ASHA.

Continuing Education Thirty hours of continuing education are required biennially for license renewal.

Examination After completing the supervised clinical experience, the applicant must arrange to take and pass the National Teachers Examination in Audiology with a score of 600 or greater.

Fees Application: \$100
Duration: One year – Temporary; Two years – Permanent
Renewal: \$80
Exam: \$70 – Praxis program testing service
Other: \$50 – Temporary clinical license

SOC Code, Title, & Avg. Hourly Wage 29-1121 – Audiologists (\$21.76)

Number of Licenses Issued Total number of licenses active as of December 31, 2001: 259

For Additional Information Iowa Department of Public Health Web site:
<http://www.idph.state.ia.us/licensure>