

Call for Clinical Placement Offers

Thank you to our valued clinical sites for making 2021-2022 another successful placement year! Together we navigated constantly changing work environments to ensure speech-language pathology (SLP) students continued to receive quality learning experiences. The support of our community in this challenging environment is truly appreciated!

We are excited to accept offers for the 2022-2023 academic year.

To submit placement offers for the 2022-2023 academic year use the link below:

https://app.rehab.utoronto.ca/slpclinicalplacement/

If you require a username and password please contact slp.clinicalaffairs@utoronto.ca

Placement Offer Timeline

Unit 7 - SLP1508Y offers as soon as possible! Unit 3 - SLP1500Y offers early November for March-April placements. Unit 9 - SLP 2500Y offers mid- to end of November for May placements. Unit 5 - SLP1500Y offers mid- to end of January for summer placements.

Important dates and placement descriptions are below.

Other Clinical Teaching Opportunities

There are also exciting opportunities for speech-language pathologists to participate in a variety of other clinical teaching throughout the academic year, including Teaching Clinics, Clinical Laboratories and Guided Observations. This is an ideal opportunity for clinicians with one year of experience to begin to build their clinical education skills. It is also a great fit for speech-language pathologists in administrative roles and others who may not be able to offer a clinical placement, but want to continue to be involved in educating their future colleagues!

Please use this link to learn more about the opportunities and sign-up:

https://slp.utoronto.ca/2022-2023-other-clinical-teaching-opportunities/

We are happy to arrange a time to meet with you and/or your site to answer questions about clinical placements and to plan for the coming year. Please don't hesitate to reach out at any time! You may direct your questions relating to placements as follows:

ROLE	INDIVIDUAL	CONTACT INFORMATION
Administration	Kristina L. Smith	slp.clinicaleducation@utoronto.ca
Units 3 & Unit 5 Developmental Language, Articulation/Phonology, Voice, Fluency and/or AAC Focus	Jennifer Wadds	jennifer.wadds@utoronto.ca
Unit 7 Neurogenic Focus	Susan J. Wagner	susan.wagner@utoronto.ca
Unit 9	Susan J. Wagner /	susan.wagner@utoronto.ca
Any Clinical Area Focus	Lynn Ellwood (<u>Note</u> : Lynn is on study leave until January 2023)	lynn.ellwood@utoronto.ca
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University of Toronto SLP CLINICAL PLACEMENT COURSES & IMPORTANT DATES

YEAR I – Class of 2024

Unit 3 or Unit 5: SLP 1500Y – Internship

This is a 38–40-day clinical placement with a focus on developing foundational clinical competencies. Students will have completed coursework in the areas of *developmental language, articulation/phonology, fluency and audiology* by March and additionally *voice, augmentative and alternative communication (AAC) and aural rehabilitation* by July.

Please note that in this clinical placement students are given their first opportunity to practice emerging clinical skills. *Ample time* is needed for *preparation and planning*. As a result, hours expectations for students are lower than in later units.

Format: Flexible Options!

Similar to last year, the target for this clinical placement is 38-40 days either within or across Unit 3 (March and April) and/or Unit 5 (July and August).

We are open to a variety of formats, as follows:

- Full-time placement in March and April with 1 or 2 clinical educators.
- Part-time placement with 38-40 days spaced over March, April, July and August.
- Full-time placement with 38-40 days in July and August.
- Any combination of shorter placement opportunities, such as a part-time placement in March and April with a short full-time placement at the same or another site in July and August, such as a summer communication camp program.
- Have a great idea to suggest? Connect with us to discuss how to make it work!

Note: Assessment and documentation requirements for clinical educators will vary depending on the nature and length of the placement. This is to accommodate the stage of student learning and to balance placement management tasks with the number of placement days.

Course Instructor:

Jennifer Wadds jennifer.wadds@utoronto.ca

Placement Dates:

Any time between February 27, 2023, and April 28, 2023 [1 week off for Reading Week (February 27 – March 3), unless otherwise designated by the site] AND/OR any time between July 3 and August 25, 2023

Unit 3 or Unit 5 SLP 1507H - Clinical Laboratory in Speech-Language Pathology

NO ON-SITE CLINICAL PLACEMENTS REQUIRED – LAB FACILITATORS NEEDED

The purpose of this course is to expand clinical experiences leading to the further development of professional competencies in one or more of the practice areas studied to date [i.e., *developmental language, articulation/phonology, fluency, voice, augmentative and alternative communication (AAC) audiology* and *aural rehabilitation]* through case studies, guided observations and simulated practice.

Course Instructor:

Jennifer Wadds jennifer.wadds@utoronto.ca

Format:

University-guided and individually scheduled on-line synchronous and asynchronous learning. SLP volunteers needed to facilitate case study discussions and/or Teaching Clinics, provide observation experiences and/or help develop simulations.

Facilitator Dates:

Any time between March 8, 2023 and April 26, 2023 AND/OR Any time between July 6 and August 23, 2023

YEAR 2 – Class of 2023

Unit 7: SLP 1508Y - Advanced Clinical Laboratory in Speech-Language Pathology (Neurogenic and Structurally Related Disorders)

In this neurogenic and structurally related disorders clinical placement, hours are typically accrued in acquired language, motor speech, swallowing and/or voice.

Students may also need to complete aural rehabilitation/audiology hours as a supplemental placement in this period for up to 5 days in total.

Please note that in this placement students are becoming more self-directed in their session planning, though they need support in making a link between academic knowledge and the neurogenic or structurally related disorder areas. Some time is needed for *preparation and planning*.

Course Instructor: Susan J. Wagner susan.wagner@utoronto.ca

Placement Dates: January 3 – February 24, 2023 (8 Weeks)

Unit 9: SLP 2500Y- Advanced Internship

This is the last course completed in the program. Placements can be in any setting with any type of caseload. Please note that in the final four weeks of this placement students are expected to manage 75% of a typical caseload with your support.

Course Instructor: Lynn Ellwood / Susan J. Wagner lynn.ellwood@utoronto.ca / susan.wagner@utoronto.ca

Placement Dates: May 8 - July 14, 2023 (10 Weeks)

Thank you! We couldn't do it without you!