



Call for Clinical Placement Offers

Thank you to our valued clinical partners for another successful placement year in 2022-2023! Together we provided 205 student placements, 75 clinical laboratories and Teaching Clinics and 141 clinical observations to train your future colleagues! This is a huge accomplishment, and we are grateful to everyone who contributed!

We are excited to begin the planning cycle for the upcoming academic year, 2023-2024. Offers may now be submitted for clinical placements on InPlace, our clinical education management system, and other clinical teaching opportunities using the links below. If you are a Site Coordinator and have not received an e-mail asking you to create an account on InPlace, please contact slp.clinicalaffairs@utoronto.ca

Placement Offer Instructions and Timelines

Unit 7 – SLP 1508Y offers as soon as possible or by the end of October!

Unit 3 – SLP 1500Y offers early November for March-April placements.

Unit 9 – SLP 2500Y offers mid- to end of November for May placements.

Unit 5 – SLP 1500Y offers mid- to end of January for summer placements.

Important dates and detailed 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 and sign-up for these opportunities:

- [Teaching Clinic and Laboratory Facilitators and Guided Observations](#)

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:

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Unit 7 (Year 2 - neurogenic and structurally related placements)	Susan J. Wagner	susan.wagner@utoronto.ca
Unit 9 (Year 2 - final placement in any clinical area)	Susan J. Wagner / Lynn Ellwood (Note: Lynn is currently on leave until January 2024)	susan.wagner@utoronto.ca lynn.ellwood@utoronto.ca
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SLP CLINICAL PLACEMENT COURSES & IMPORTANT DATES

PLEASE CONSIDER THE CLINICAL PLACEMENTS IN WHICH YOUR SITE CAN PARTICIPATE...

YEAR I – Class of 2025

Unit 3 or 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!](#)

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 one or two 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 **eight** weeks between March 4, 2024, and May 3, 2024

One week off for Reading Week from March 4 – 8th, 2024 unless otherwise designated by the site

AND/OR

Any time between July 2, 2024, and August 23, 2024

YEAR 2 – Class of 2024

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, **cognitive communication**, **neurologically-based speech**, **dysphagia** and/or **voice/resonance**.

Students may also need to complete aural rehabilitation/audiology hours as a supplemental placement in this period for up to five 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 8 – March 1, 2024 (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
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Placement Dates:

May 13 - July 19, 2024 (10 Weeks)

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