

Master's degree program "Speech and language pathology"
LANGUAGE AND SPEECH PATHOLOGY

Brief presentation of the program:

The program is aimed at training specialists in treatment of children, adolescents and adults with communication disorders in developmental and acquired language, speech problems, pervasive developmental disorders, rehabilitation of cognitive disorders and neurodegenerative diseases. The training program is oriented to specific therapeutic interventions, programs, basic and alternative methods of therapy and use of assistive technologies in the diagnosis and treatment of the developmental and acquired cognitive disorders.

The taught and presented therapeutic approaches are based on evidence-based practises. Extracurricular classes include projects, practical and scientific seminars, internships. The program offers preparatory module for candidates from other educational areas with a bachelor degree other than Language and Speech Pathology.

Major and qualification:

Specialization: Logopaedics

Qualification: Master degree in Logopaedics

Practices:

Students conduct practice under supervision in the clinical center of the University to work with children with developmental disorders as well as in clinics, offices, schools and kindergartens.

Competencies of Graduates:

Graduates will:

- Know etiologic mechanisms and clinical manifestations of developmental and acquired communication disorders;
- Have knowledge of diagnostic methods and differential diagnosis of communication disorders in children and adults participation;
- Know the emotional and behavioral characteristics associated with communication disorders in children and adults;
- Have therapeutic and communication skills;
- Be able to apply prevention;
- Be apply methods of therapy / rehabilitation of developmental and acquired disorders in children, adolescents and adults;
- Be apply methods of parent's counseling.

Graduation:

Collection of specific number of credits; master thesis defense or state exam and practical exam

Career:

Graduates can work as speech and language therapists in laboratories, school speech

therapy offices, daycare centers, clinics, social services, and can perform scientific research.

First year

First Semester

Basic courses

LOGM102 Speech Pathology

prof. Violeta Boyanova, MD, PhD

60 h, 6 ECTS

REHM100 Comparative Logopaedics

assoc. prof. Ivanka Asenova, PhD

30 h., 3 ECTS

REHM101 Clinical aspects of non-verbal communication

Rosica Yosifova, PhD

30h, 3 ECTS

REHM102 Stuttering therapy - evidence-based practices

assoc. prof. Margarita Stankova, MD, PhD

30h, 3 ECTS

REHM104 Developmental Articulation Disorders Therapy

assoc. prof. Ekaterina Todorova, PhD

30h, 3 ECTS

LOGM207 Rhinolalia Therapy

prof. Violeta Boyanova, MD, PhD

Teodora Spasova

30h, 3 ECTS

Practical non-credit courses

REHM118 Practical training: Speech and Language assessment and therapeutic trends in children and adults with communication disorders,

150 h

prof. Violeta Boyanova, MD, PhD

assoc. prof. Margarita Stankova, MD, PhD

assoc. prof. Ekaterina Todorova, PhD

Extracurricular credit courses

REHM107 Seminar: Case Study

assoc. prof. Margarita Stankova, MD, PhD

30h, 3 ECTS

REHM112 Practice: Therapeutic practices in children with language disorders and articulation disorders

prof. Violeta Boyanova, MD, PhD
assoc. prof. Margarita Stankova, MD, PhD
assoc. prof. Ekaterina Todorova, PhD
30h, 3 ECTS

REHM113 Practice: Assessment of language profile by applying assistive technology approaches

assoc. prof. Ekaterina Todorova, PhD
30h, 3 ECTS

REHM114 Practice: Development of a long term treatment program,

prof. Violeta Boyanova, MD, PhD
30h, 3 ECTS

REHM115 Practice: Development of specific therapeutic material for the treatment of articulation disorders

assoc. prof. Ekaterina Todorova, PhD
30h, 3 ECTS

REHM116 Practice: Development of individual treatment program for children with impaired nonverbal communication

assoc. prof. Margarita Stankova, MD, PhD
30h, 3 ECTS

REHM117 Individual work: Methods for work with children with learning difficulties,

prof. Violeta Boyanova, MD, PhD
30h, 3 ECTS

First year

Second Semester

Basic courses

REHM200 Computer technologies in the system of speech therapy practice,

assoc. prof. Margarita Stankova, MD, PhD
chief.assist. Polina Mihova, PhD
30h, 3 ECTS

REHM203 Classical and alternative methods of therapy for dysarthria

prof. Violeta Boyanova, MD, PhD
Tsvetanka Stoyanova
30 h, 3 ECTS

REHM204 Autism Therapy - PECS, ABA, Teach

assoc. prof. Margarita Stankova, MD, PhD
30 h, 3 ECTS

REHM205 Therapy of specific language impairment in children

assoc. prof. Ekaterina Todorova, PhD

30 h, 3 ECTS

REHM302 Diagnosis and differential diagnosis of communication disorders,

prof. Violeta Boyanova, MD, PhD

30 h, 3 ECTS

REHM303 Therapy for emotional and behavioral disorders - behavioral approaches, group therapy programs for parents

prof. Orlin Todorov, PhD

30 h, 3 ECTS

REHM403 Methodology of scientific research

Prof. Emilia Alexieva, PhD

30 h, 3 ECTS

Practical non-credit courses

REHM220 Practical training: Therapy for children with neurological communication disorders

assoc. prof. Ekaterina Todorova, PhD

assoc. prof. Margarita Stankova, MD, PhD

150 h

Extracurricular credit courses

REHM209 Seminar: Approaches to group work

assoc. prof. Margarita Stankova, MD, PhD

30h, 3 ECTS

REHM214 Practice: Therapeutic practices in children with Fluency disorders and dyslexia

prof. Violeta Boyanova, MD, PhD

assoc. prof. Margarita Stankova, MD, PhD

assoc. prof. Ekaterina Todorova, PhD

30h, 3 ECTS

REHM215 Practice: Therapeutic program through the application of assistive technologies for children with learning difficulties

assoc. prof. Ekaterina Todorova, PhD

30h, 3 ECTS

REHM216 Practice: Assessment of cognitive abilities through the application of assistive technologies

prof. Violeta Boyanova, MD, PhD

30h, 3 ECTS

REHM217 Practice: Therapy of language deficits by applying Baby Sign Language

assoc. prof. Ekaterina Todorova, PhD

30h, 3 ECTS

REHM221 Workshop: Research Methods in Speech and Language Therapy,

assoc. prof. Margarita Stankova, MD, PhD

30h, 3 ECTS

REHM222 Practice: Data collection of research, analysis and interpretation,

prof. Violeta Boyanova, MD, PhD

30h, 3 ECTS

Second year

Third Semester

Basic courses

REHM202 Classical and alternative methods of treatment for developmental dyslexia

assoc. prof. Ekaterina Todorova, PhD

30h, 3 ECTS

REHM201 Neurolinguistics

assoc. prof. Ivanka Asenova, PhD

30h, 3 ECTS

REHM300 Therapeutic programs for persons with intellectual disabilities

prof. Violeta Boyanova, MD, PhD

30h, 3 ECTS

REHM301 Clinical features and therapy of aphasia through alternative visual systems

prof. Ivailo Tarnev, MD, PhD

Tsvetanka Stoyanova

30h, 3 ECTS

REHM304 Communication disorders therapy in persons with Sensory integrative dysfunctions

assoc. prof. Margarita Stankova, MD, PhD

Rosica Yosifova, PhD

30h, 3 ECTS

REHM305 Art therapy in Speech and Language Pathology

Prof. Yavor Konov, PhD

assoc. prof. Alexandra Ivanova, PhD

30h, 3 ECTS

REHM306 Treatment of communication disorders in children with bilingualism

assoc. prof. Ekaterina Todorova, PhD

30h, 3 ECTS

Practical non-credit courses

REHM315 Practical training: Therapy for adults with neurological communication disorders

prof. Violeta Boyanova, MD, PhD

assoc. prof. Margarita Stankova, MD, PhD

assoc. prof. Ekaterina Todorova, PhD

150 h

Extracurricular credit courses

REHM314 Internship: Speech therapy for adults with communication disorders

prof. Violeta Boyanova, MD, PhD

assoc. prof. Margarita Stankova, MD, PhD

assoc. prof. Ekaterina Todorova, PhD

150h, 15 ECTS

Preparatory semester

-To specialists without a Bachelor's degree in speech and language pathology

Basic courses

REHM206 Psychotherapeutic approaches for working with children and adults with communication disorders

assoc. prof. Orlin Todorov, PhD

30h, 3 ECTS

REHM400 Anatomy and physiology of the nervous system

prof. Ivailo Tarnev, MD, PhD

30h, 3 ECTS

REHM401 Neuropsychological aspects of communication disorders

prof. Violeta Boyanova, MD, PhD

30h, 3 ECTS

REHM402 Communication disorders in neurological and psychiatric disorders

prof. Violeta Boyanova, MD, PhD

assoc. prof. Margarita Stankova, MD, PhD

30h, 3 ECTS

REHM404 Development of communication in infancy - Baby sign language

assoc. prof. Orlin Todorov, PhD

Rosica Yosifova, PhD
30h, 3 ECTS

REHM405 Life-long Psychology

assoc. prof. Orlin Todorov, PhD
chief.assist Nadia Koltcheva, PhD
30h, 3 ECTS

REHM407 Psycholinguistics

assoc. prof. Ekaterina Todorova, PhD
30h, 3 ECTS

Extracurricular credit courses

LOGM140 Internship: Speech therapy for children and adults with communication disorders

prof. Violeta Boyanova, MD, PhD
assoc. prof. Margarita Stankova, MD, PhD
assoc. prof. Ekaterina Todorova, PhD
90 h, 9 ECTS

LOGM141 Practice: Working with children with language disorders

assoc. prof. Ekaterina Todorova, PhD
30h, 3 ECTS

LOGM142 Practice: Working with children with articulation disorders

assoc. prof. Ekaterina Todorova, PhD
30h, 3 ECTS

LOGM143 Practice: Working with children with emotional and behavioral disorders

assoc. prof. Margarita Stankova, MD, PhD
30h, 3 ECTS

LOGM144 Practice: Assessment of adults with communication disorders

prof. Violeta Boyanova, MD, PhD
30h, 3 ECTS