

Speech-Language Pathology Assistant

<p>Overview</p>	<p>Assist speech-language pathologists in the assessment and treatment of speech, language, voice, and fluency disorders. Implement speech and language programs or activities as planned and directed by speech-language pathologists. Monitor the use of alternative communication devices and systems.</p> <p>They carry out treatment programs, document results and develop materials for use with patients, under the supervision of speech-language pathologists or audiologists. They document patient rehabilitation progress, and check and maintain therapeutic equipment and materials.</p>								
<p>NOC Code</p>	<p>Other technical occupations in therapy and assessment (3237)</p>								
<p>Alias Job Titles</p>	<p>Communication aide – medical; Communication assistant – medical; Communication disorders assistant; Communication disorders instructor; Communicative disorders assistant; Communicative disorders instructor; Speech aide; Speech correctionist – medical; Speech language assistant; Speech technician; Speech therapist aide; Speech therapist assistant; Speech therapy aide; Speech therapy assistant; Speech-language pathology assistant</p>								
<p>Qualifications Required</p>	<p>Communicative disorders assistants and speech-language pathology assistants require completion of a three- to four-year college program. Clinical experience under supervision is usually preferred.</p>								
<p>Salary Range</p>	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Average hourly</th> <th>Range hourly</th> <th>Average yearly</th> <th>Range yearly</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>\$29.98</td> <td>\$23 - \$35.34</td> <td>\$58,461</td> <td>\$44,850 - \$68,913</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Average hourly	Range hourly	Average yearly	Range yearly	\$29.98	\$23 - \$35.34	\$58,461	\$44,850 - \$68,913
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<p>Job Demand</p>	<p>Medium</p> <p>Employment outlook is mostly good across provinces. More information is available here.</p>								
<p>Growth Opportunity</p>	<p>With further education and training, one can become a Speech-Language Pathologist (SLP).</p>								

Years' Experience Required	0-1 year
Training Options (if available)	<p>Speech-Language Pathologist Assistant at Medicine Hat College</p> <p>Speech Language Pathologist Assistant at McEwan University</p> <p>Communicative Disorders Assistant at Lambton College</p> <p>Find more programs here</p>
Personal Qualities	<p>Outstanding communication skills, both orally and written; ability to work under pressure; be able to fully understand patients' needs; compassionate, dependable, ethical, and mature; ability to organize and prioritize workload priorities in collaboration with others; strong social skills and leadership ability; ability to manage high levels of stress associated with life threatening situations and medical conditions; self-discipline and self-directed; the ability to multi-task in a complex and fast-paced environment; a clean record, no prior criminal background.</p>
Notes/Other Information	<p>Provincially regulated.</p> <p>Speech-language pathologist assistants work with audiologists, speech-language pathologists, doctors and occupational health nurses. Their duties and responsibilities vary from one position to another. They work in clinics, hospitals, schools and work sites.</p> <p>Some may work regular weekday hours. Others may be required to work some early morning, evening or weekend hours</p>
Steps towards capacity building to become competitive for this job	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Proof of English proficiency and medical terminology, ethics, and communication 2. Enrolling into a Speech-Language Pathology Assistant program 3. More information can be available here.

**References and
resources**

- i. [Alberta Learning Information Service](#)
- ii. [Job Bank Canada](#)
- iii. [National Occupation Classification ESDC](#)
- iv. [Neuvoo](#)
- v. [Indeed](#)