Assessment of Clinical Competence (ACC) Expectations by Placement – Speech-Language Pathology

By the end of the Externship placement, speech-language pathology students are expected to achieve the following clinical competency ratings in each section of the final *Assessment of Clinical Competence (ACC) Student Evaluation Form*:

ROLE	By the end of Externship
Knowledge Expert	Entry to Practice
Clinical Expert: Assessment	Entry to Practice
Clinical Expert: Intervention	Entry to Practice
Communicator	Entry to Practice
Collaborator	Entry to Practice
Advocate	Entry to Practice
Scholar	Entry to Practice
Manager	Entry to Practice
Professional	Entry to Practice

Unsatisfactory ratings for any skills in which the student had the opportunity for routine practice (i.e., multiple, or consistent opportunities to practice a skill within the placement) would indicate unmet expectations in the externship placement. Clinical educators are encouraged to use 'n/a' if there was insufficient or no opportunity to develop or assess a specific skill.

When expectations are met in the above clinical competency areas, a grade of pass may be assigned. When expectations are not met in one or more of the clinical competency role areas, a grade of fail may be assigned (see the Difficulties with Student Performance in Practicum section and Appendix B-18 in the Clinical Practicum Handbook for more details and specific examples that may result in a failing grade).

Please note: It is recognized that there are variations in placement organization (e.g., split internship or externship placements consisting of two 6-week placements) that may impact students' ability to meet clinical competency expectations. In these situations, the clinical coordinator will discuss with the clinical educator(s) whether the student is meeting clinical competency expectations that are commensurate with the amount of experience gained within the placement and, if deemed appropriate, the expectations listed above (i.e., minimal ratings required in each competency area) may be adjusted.

Early Novice | Novice | Advanced Novice | Intermediate | Advanced Intermediate | Entry-to-Practice

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Winter Practicum

Internship

Externship