

Strategic Plan
Communication Sciences and Disorders
University of Central Arkansas

CSD Mission

The mission of the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders is the preparation of professionals qualified to provide independent professional diagnostic and therapy services to a diverse population with a wide range of communication needs.

CSD Vision

The UCA Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders will become a leader in the education of speech-language pathologists by providing rich learning opportunities for our students. The UCA faculty will help students meet the challenges of the present and the future by responding dynamically to the need for qualified professionals in Communication Sciences and Disorders. With a commitment to professional excellence, we will mentor future professionals in knowledge and skill development by integrating practice and research for a variety of clinical populations across the lifespan.

CSD Strategic Planning Goal 1: Recruit needed faculty.

- Seek funding to replace empty faculty lines.

Related University and College Strategic Planning Goals

UCA Strategic Planning Goal 2: Continue to foster a culture of academic, scholarly, and creative excellence.

CHBS Strategic Planning Goals 4: Demonstrate continued excellence in all CHBS programs.

CSD Strategic Planning Goal 2: Retain high performing faculty.

- Seek funding for salary equity adjustments.

Related University and College Strategic Planning Goals

UCA Strategic Planning Goal 2: Continue to foster a culture of academic, scholarly, and creative excellence.

CHBS Strategic Planning Goal 4: Demonstrate continued excellence in all CHBS programs.

CSD Strategic Planning Goal 3: Enhance the clinical training of students.

- Develop criteria for assessing the adequacy of external practicum sites to ensure that students receive quality training.
- Develop opportunities for our summer specialty clinic programs to extend throughout the academic year to increase training opportunities for MS students and to provide a needed service to community residents as well as research opportunities for faculty and students.
- Launch a Parkinson's disease voice treatment voice program to increase training opportunities for MS students and a needed service to community residents as well as research opportunities for faculty and students.

- Collaborate with other departments in the provision of inter-professional education and inter-professional research.

Related University and College Strategic Planning Goals

UCA Strategic Planning Goal 2: Continue to foster a culture of academic, scholarly, and creative excellence.

UCA Strategic Planning Goal 3: Provide a learner-focused environment for all students.

UCA Strategic Planning Goal 4: Commit to ongoing improvement and innovation in facilities and technology.

CHBS Strategic Planning Goal 1: Increase public awareness of academic programs.

CHBS Strategic Planning Goal 2: Explore ways to strengthen and expand professional health programs to meet national needs for health professionals.

CHBS Strategic Planning Goal 3: Increase inter-professional collaborations.

CHBS Strategic Planning Goal 4: Demonstrate continued excellence in all CHBS program.

CSD Strategic Planning Goal 4: Create a culture of internal assessment.

- Provide a capstone course for seniors that enables them to demonstrate mastery of the knowledge needed to pursue graduate study.
- Examine admission, growth, recruitment and retention policies related to students and make any needed modifications in recruitment and retention procedures.

Related University and College Strategic Planning Goals

UCA Strategic Planning Goal 1: Focus on integrity at all levels of action.

UCA Strategic Planning Goal 2: Continue to foster a culture of academic, scholarly, and creative excellence.

UCA Strategic Planning Goal 3: Provide a learner-focused environment for all students.

CHBS Strategic Planning Goal 2: Explore ways to strengthen and expand professional health programs to meet national needs for health professionals.

CHBS Strategic Planning Goal 4: Demonstrate continued excellence in all CHBS program.

CSD Goal 5: Expand clinical services and increase revenue to enhance training and procure equipment.

- Offer summer specialty clinics and therapy programs in fluency, social skills, literacy acquisition.

Related University and College Strategic Planning Goals

UCA Strategic Planning Goal 3: Provide a learner-focused environment for all students.

UCA Strategic Planning Goal 5: Increase engagement with external partners.

CHBS Strategic Planning Goal 2: Explore ways to strengthen and expand professional health programs to meet national needs for health professionals.

CHBS Strategic Planning Goal 4: Demonstrate continued excellence in all CHBS program.