



LOUISIANA TECH UNIVERSITY

Department of Communication Disorders
Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology

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Dan Logsdon, Director
National Center for Interstate Compacts
Council of State Governments
1776 Avenue of the States
Lexington, KY 40511

Dear Mr. Logsdon:

After review and comment by the faculty at Louisiana Tech University, our Department of Communication Disorders fully supports the development of the Audiology & Speech-Language Pathology Interstate Compact (ASLP-IC). Our graduate students in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology also support the ASLP-IC.

Louisiana Tech University offers both the Master's degree in Speech-Language Pathology (MA) and the Doctor of Audiology (Au.D.) Louisiana Tech views graduate study and research as integral to the university's purpose. Committed to graduate education through all MA, MS and Doctoral degrees, the University continues to focus on fields of study in which the University has the ability to achieve national competitiveness or to respond to specific state or regional needs. As a university, it is important to allow our students choices in where and how they practice their respective professions.

Graduate students in our programs meet rigorous educational and clinical standards as defined by the Council on Academic Accreditation for Audiology and Speech Language Pathology (CAA). As a result, students who graduate from CAA accredited programs should be eligible for licensure across states.

We appreciate the hard work and effort that went into developing this Compact. Please feel free to contact me if you require further information regarding our support for this legislation.

Sincerely,

Brenda L. Heiman, Ph.D.
Director, School of Communication

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GRADUATE PROGRAMS IN SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY ACCREDITED BY THE
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