SLP Master's FAQs

How long does it take to get your master's degree through the distance venue program?

If you are in field (you have a bachelor's degree in Speech Pathology) it takes 24 months. If you are out of field (your bachelor's degree is another field other than Speech Pathology), you must take 7 courses before applying (more details will be given in the information meeting for out of field candidates).

What are practicum hours?

While seeking your master's degree in speech pathology there are two main learning components; the academic coursework and practicum (therapy with individuals). You will learn more about this at the information meeting.

How do the classes work in the distance venue?

Classes are taught via videoconference on Tuesday afternoons at your local Education Service Centers (ESCs) and through a webinar format on Thursday afternoons. The hours are from 4:30 until 7:30 PM CST in the fall and spring semesters. Summer class hours are longer.

How do I get my practicum hours?

In the distance venue program you are required to obtain a sponsorship with a school district. Your full acceptance to the program is provisional based on having this sponsorship with a school district (detailed information will be discussed in the information meetings).

How much is the tuition for a master's degree?

Tuition costs vary among universities. You can compare Texas tuition rates by searching on various university web sites using the key words "graduate tuition rates".

What about application deadlines?

Application deadlines are very strict with universities, these will be announced in the information meetings!

Do I have to attend an information to apply to the distance venue?

Yes, if you plan to apply to the program, the meeting is MANDATORY and you must stay for the entire meeting. Your attendance is tracked and cross referenced with your application.

Is the degree a master's of science or a master's of arts?

The degree is a master's of science degree. It is a very rigorous program with coursework that requires many hours of study outside of class time.