

**CMSD 3130  
INTRODUCTION TO AUDIOLOGY  
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**Overview:** This course is designed to familiarize the student with the field of Audiology in general, the educational requirements necessary to practice Audiology and professional opportunities. It also introduces the students to issues related to the assessment and diagnosis of hearing, disorders of the auditory system and intervention strategies, both medical and rehabilitative, that are used to meet the needs of the hearing impaired.

**Prerequisite or Co-requisite:** CMSD 3030 or permission of the department

**Objectives:** At the end of this course the student should be able to:

1. Discuss the field of Audiology as a profession. (III-G, III-H)
2. Describe behavioral, physiologic, and electrophysiologic measurements used in the assessment of peripheral and central auditory function. These measurements include pure tones, speech, acoustic immittance, otoacoustic emissions, and auditory brainstem response. (III-A, III-B, III-C, III-D)
3. Describe, discuss and differentiate various auditory pathologies and their effects on hearing. (III-C),
4. Explain hearing aid function and discuss management strategies used in meeting rehabilitative needs of the hearing impaired. (III-D)

**TEXT:** Audiology The Fundamentals, Fred H. Bess and Larry E. Humes, Third Edition, 2003.

**OFFICE HOURS:** Office hours will be held on Monday from 2 – 3 PM and Wednesday from 9 – 10 AM in Aderhold Hall room 538. My email is [alde@uga.edu](mailto:alde@uga.edu) Any correspondence with me should be via our email addresses unless you want the entire class to see the question, in which case you should use the class list-serve.

**Course Requirements**

- A. There will be three examinations during the semester and a final examination for a total of four exams. **NOTE: YOUR FINAL EXAM FOLLOWS THE OFFICIAL EXAM SCHEDULE, SO MAKE SURE YOU DO NOT PLAN ANY TRIPS OR ADVENTURES UNTIL SOMETIME AFTER ALL OF YOUR EXAMS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED.**
- B. Each exam will constitute 25 percent of your grade.
- C. Make up exams will be given **ONLY** when a written medical excuse is provided to the instructor.
- D. Corresponding readings for the lectures are noted on the syllabus. You are expected to review that material plus any other material provided to you before

each class and to be prepared to answer questions.

- E. You will be allowed 2 unexcused absences, after which 1 point, per each absence will be deducted from your final grade.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TOPIC</u>	<u>CHAPTER</u>
1-8	Discuss class format Explain format for tests and grading system Theories of Hearing	1
1-10	Cochlear Potentials/Auditory Nerve Response	3
1-15	Auditory nerve response/ Perception of Sound (loudness & binaural hearing)	3
1-17	Audiologic assessment Audiometers Audiograms Pure tone evaluations	4
1-22	Audiologic assessment (con=t)	4
1-24	Audiologic assessment (con=t)	4
1-29	<b>EXAM I</b>	
1-31	Masking	4
2-5	Masking (con=t)	4
2-7	Other factors to consider Children=s procedures Speech measures	4
2-12	Speech measures (con=t)	4
2-14	Speech measures (con=t) Acoustic immittance	4
2-19	Acoustic immittance (con=t)	4
2-21	Acoustic immittance (cont.)	4
2-26	Acoustic immittance (con=t)	4

2-28	<b>EXAM II</b>	
3-4	Auditory pathologies	5
3-6	Auditory pathologies (con=t)	5
3-10	<b>SPRING BREAK</b>	5
3-14	<b>SPRING BREAK</b>	
3-18	auditory pathologies (con't)	5
3-20	Screening procedures	
3-25	Screening procedures	6
3-27	Otoacoustic emissions	3
4-1	Otoacoustic emissions	3
4-3	<b>EXAM III</b>	
4-8	Auditory brainstem response	3
4-10	Auditory brainstem response (con=t)	3
4-15	Rehabilitative Audiology	7
	Hearing aids & selection	7
4-17	Hearing aids & selection (cont.)	7
	Management strategies	7
4-22	Management strategies (cont.)	7
4-24	Management strategies	7

### **Final Grade**

Your final grade is based on the percentage of points you accumulate throughout the semester from your four exams.

**A = 92-100%**

**A- = 90-91**

**B+= 88-89**

**B = 82-87%**

**B- =80-81**

**C+ = 78-79**

**C = 72-77%**

**C- =70-71**

**D = 60-69%**

**F = 59% and below**

### **Honor Code and Academic Policy**

All academic course work must meet the standards in a culture of Honesty. All students are responsible for informing themselves about those standards before performing academic work. The policy, a portion of which is shown below, can be found at [www.uga.edu/ovpi/academic\\_honesty/academic\\_honesty.htm](http://www.uga.edu/ovpi/academic_honesty/academic_honesty.htm)

All exams and any academic work (e.g. homework, projects, term papers) are to be completed without assistance from former or current students, and without plagiarizing from the internet or other sources. Those violating this policy will be referred for disciplinary action.

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