

**LEHMAN COLLEGE
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DEPARTMENT OF SPEECH LANGUAGE HEARING SCIENCES

CURRICULUM CHANGE

Name of Program and Degree Award: Speech Language Pathology with Bilingual Extension, MA

Hegis Number: 1220.00

Program Code: 25816 - TSB-MA

1. **Type of Change:** Degree Requirements

2. **From:**

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4. **Rationale:**

SPE 773 and SPE 774 are offered during the Spring/Summer and Fall/Winter sequence. It is determined the content is better aligned during the full semester. Having the flexibility to offer the course as a 3 credit or 2 courses at 1.5 credits will better serve student needs.

5. **Date of departmental approval:** 3/30/2026

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DEPARTMENT OF SPEECH-LANGUAGE-HEARING SCIENCES

CURRICULUM CHANGE

Name of Program and Degree Award: Speech Language Pathology, MA

Hegis Number: 1220.00

Program Code: 34037 -SPL-MA

1. Type of Change: Degree Requirements

2. From:

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Type: Prerequisite

Earn a minimum GPA of 3.0

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