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## **PhD in Communication Sciences and Disorders Program**

### *Academic Writing Sample Instructions*

PhD applicants must submit a professional writing sample that reflects strong critical thinking and written communication skills with attention to composition, content, and grammar. The sample should:

- a. Provide evidence of research competence and potential,
- b. Be at least 6 single-spaced/12 double-spaced pages, and
- c. Address a topic relevant to the profession.

Alternatively, applicants may submit a series of professional writing samples that total at least the same number of pages. Examples include a completed master's thesis, an article submitted for publication, conference abstracts, and/or papers written for relevant classes. Applicants must be the sole author of all documents submitted.