Admission Requirements:
Students must be formally accepted to the COMD Undergraduate program. The following must be completed prior to date of application:
1. Students must take MATH 2334 and complete the course with a ‘C’ or higher.
2. Students must take three science courses: BIOL 1406 and 1407 (or BIOL 1487 and 1488) or BIOL 2401 and 2402, and either one Physics course with lab OR one Chemistry course with lab. These courses must be completed with a ‘C’ or higher.
3. Students must lack no more than six courses from the following areas: General Education Core, Electives, or Supplemental. The MATH 2334 and the three science courses cannot be included as part of the six courses lacking at the time of the application.
4. Students must have a minimum GPA of 2.8. Admittance is competitive.

Undergraduate Application:
Applications are available mid-November (of each year) and may be accessed through the UTRGV website or in the COMD Department Office (EHABW 1.264). Application Deadline is the second Friday in February by 5:00 pm CST for the subsequent fall semester.
**MILESTONES**

- First Year
  - Meet with your academic advisor and bring your orientation folder with you to every session!
  - Choose a major with confidence – Visit my.UTRGV.edu and check Kuder Journey!
  - Visit a faculty member during their office hours and ask a question about class.
  - Classes fill up fast. When registration opens, be sure to register on the first day for your group.
  - Cold or flu getting you down? We have Student Health Services on campus with free office visits.

- Second Year
  - Look for a service-learning course! For guidance, visit Engaged Scholarship & Learning Office.
  - Participate in a campus-sponsored community service project.
  - Ask a student in class to study with you.

- Third Year
  - Set up your profile on the Engagement Zone through My.UTRGV.edu.
  - Attend a diversity based campus or community event (e.g. MLK Day of Service).
  - Join a student organization! Consider looking into American Sign Language organization or visit VLink (utrgv.edu/VLink) for options.

- Fourth Year
  - Complete major foundation classes: Math 2334, BIOL 1406 and 1407 (or BIOL 1487 and BIOL 1488) or BIOL 2401 and 2402, and either one Physics course with lab OR one Chemistry course with lab. These courses must be completed with a “C” or higher.
  - Make sure the General Education Core and admission requirements are completed prior to applying.
  - Apply to the Communication Sciences and Disorders program. The deadline is second Friday in February.

**ADVICE & SUPPORT**

- First Year
  - Check your UTRGV email for the daily Messenger for a job on the Career Center portal!
  - Research shows that students who work on campus perform better than those who work off campus. Look for some job shadowing.
  - Meet with your academic advisor and bring your orientation folder with you to every session!
  - Choose a major with confidence – Visit my.UTRGV.edu and check Kuder Journey!
  - Visit a faculty member during their office hours and ask a question about class.

- Second Year
  - Want to explore different careers? Check out Kuder Journey!
  - Come ready with course suggestions and questions when you visit your academic advisor.
  - Visit the Communication Hauser Lab for help with your speeches.
  - Trouble making your tuition payment? The Financial Aid Office can help. Payment plans and emergency loans are also available

- Third Year
  - Look at study abroad opportunities! Visit the Office for International Programs and Partnerships for options.
  - Check out a cultural campus or community event such as HESTEC or FESTIBA.
  - Join another student organization. Perhaps the American Sign Language organization or visit Vink for options.
  - Check out a campus event that offers free lunch/bring a friend!

- Fourth Year
  - Visit my.UTRGV.edu.
  - Seek out research opportunities within your major and join a professional organization such as Texas Speech-Language Hearing Association (TSHA).
  - Check DegreeWorks, each semester, to make sure you are on track for graduation next year.

**APPLY WHAT YOU LEARN**

- First Year
  - Look for a service-learning course! For guidance, visit Engaged Scholarship & Learning Office.
  - Participate in a campus-sponsored community service project.
  - Ask a student in class to study with you.

- Second Year
  - To find undergraduate research opportunities, visit the Engaged Scholarship & Learning Office.
  - Consider attending the LeaderShape Institute or attend the Engaged Scholar Symposium.

- Third Year
  - Consider serving on a campus life/community committee or become a student leader and make a difference. Visit Vink or speak with your Student Government Association for more information!
  - Travel the world! Look into study abroad opportunities at Office for International Programs & Partnerships.

- Fourth Year
  - Continue to present research or creative works at the Engaged Scholar Symposium.
  - Attend a professional conference such as TSHA.
  - Set up an informational interview with an individual (especially an alumnus) currently in the field you aspire to work in.

**GLOBAL, CAMPUS & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

- First Year
  - Set up your profile on the Engagement Zone through My.UTRGV.edu.
  - Attend a diversity based campus or community event (e.g. MUK Day of Service).
  - Join a student organization! Consider looking into National Speech-Language Hearing Association – UTRGV Chapter or visit Vink (utrgv.edu/Vink) for options.

- Second Year
  - Look at study abroad opportunities! Visit the Office for International Programs and Partnerships for options.
  - Check out a cultural campus or community event such as HESTEC or FESTIBA.
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  - Consider serving on a campus life/community committee or become a student leader and make a difference. Visit Vink or speak with your Student Government Association for more information!
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**LIFE AFTER GRADUATION**

- First Year
  - Set up your profile on the Engagement Zone through My.UTRGV.edu.
  - Attend a diversity based campus or community event (e.g. MUK Day of Service).
  - Join a student organization! Consider looking into National Speech-Language Hearing Association – UTRGV Chapter or visit Vink (utrgv.edu/Vink) for options.

- Second Year
  - Consider serving on a campus life/community committee or become a student leader and make a difference. Visit Vink or speak with your Student Government Association for more information!
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