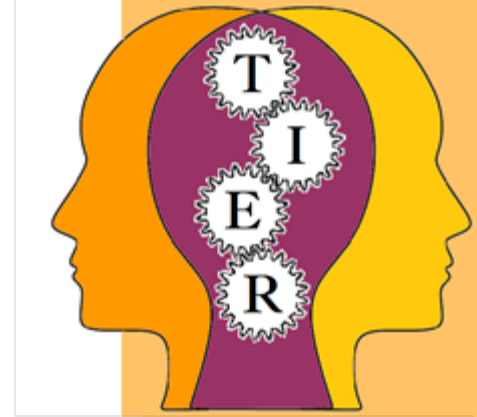


CMSD Program - TIER Grant

Training in Interdisciplinary Education and Research



Dear CMSD Student,

Thank you for your interest in the Communication Sciences and Disorders (CMSD) grant program at CSU, Chico. Students pursuing a Master's degree in CMSD may apply for funding under the federal grant Training and Interdisciplinary Education and Research (**TIER**).

The grant program is funded from the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs. In accordance with this project's requirements, you will be required to perform work related to Communication Sciences and Disorders upon completion of the program.

Enclosed you will find the following items:

1. Application for CMSD TIER Grant for the upcoming Fall semester.
2. Student Objectives and Responsibilities for the CMSD TIER Grant.

Please submit the Application for the CMSD TIER Grant with the appropriate documentation as soon as possible. Please contact me if you have questions or to determine specific course requirements at (530) 898-4286.

Sincerely,

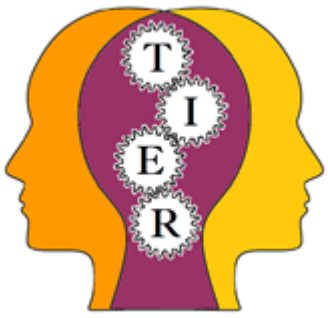
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Project Co-Director



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CMSD TIER Grant

The CSU, Chico Communication Sciences and Disorders Program is pleased to announce the availability of grant funding to help students in the area of Speech-language pathology education. Students may apply for funding for the academic year program under the federal grant **Training and Interdisciplinary Education and Research (TIER)**. The TIER grant is a federal grant to train students to work with children with disabilities in the field of Speech-language pathology.

Academic year grant recipients receive funding for stipend awards, books, and travel to conferences. If selected as a participant in the academic year grant program, you may receive a maximum of \$20,300 funding over a maximum of four semesters.

To apply for the CMSD TIER Grant, submit a complete application by **April 15th**.

Checklist for a Complete Application

- ___ Form A: Application for CMSD TIER Grant
- ___ Form B: Applicant Data Survey
- ___ A typed letter of application (2 pages maximum) which addresses your career goals, including your experience working with individuals with disabilities.
- ___ An up-to-date resume
- ___ One official transcript of all college work
- ___ Information for three references (Name, Job Title, Phone, Email Address)
- ___ Two letters of recommendation, from two of the three references above

Deliver or mail complete TIER application materials to:

Jessika Lawrence, Ph.D.
CMSD Program, CMAS Department
CSU, Chico
Chico, CA 95929-0350

Phone: (530) 898-4286
Email: jlawrence14@csuchico.edu

Please keep this page for your
records.





Application for CMSD TIER Grant

Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

SSN _____ Date of Birth _____

Email address _____

Employment

Place of Employment _____

Employment Address _____

Position _____ Supervisor _____

Course of study at CSU, Chico

Master's degree in CMSD

Enrollment: FT or PT Expected completion date of program: _____

Do you currently have a credential to teach in California? Yes No

If yes, name of credential(s): _____

Are you currently working as a teacher? Yes No

If yes, please describe): _____

Are you bilingual? Yes No If so, which language(s) _____

Will you apply for financial aid funds for the Fall semester at CSU, Chico? Yes No

Education

<u>College/University</u>	<u>Course of Study</u>	<u>Completed Units</u>	<u>GPA</u>	<u>Degree Earned</u>
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Applicant Data Survey

We consider all applicants without regard to race, color, religion, creed, gender, national origin, age, mental or physical disability, marital or veteran status, sexual orientation, or any other legally protected status. Please note the following exception: United States government guidelines require all recipients of funds from our current federal grant be U.S. Citizens.

This survey is *not* a part of your official application for the grant program and will not be used in any decision regarding the award. The purpose of the Applicant Data Survey is to comply with government record-keeping, reporting, and other legal requirements. Completing this survey is *strictly voluntary*.

Your cooperation is appreciated.

Position(s) applied for Grant funding in CMSD TIER Grant Date _____

Name _____ Telephone _____
Last First Middle

Address _____
Number, Street, Apt City State Zip Code

Referral Source(s)

- Advertisement in (name) _____ Conference _____
- Referred by (name) _____ Other _____
- Web site _____

Equal Employment Opportunity Identification Groups

Date of Birth: _____ Please circle one: Male Female Non-Binary
(Month/Day/Year)

Please check one: Caucasian African Hispanic Asian/Pacific Islander
 American Indian/Alaskan Native Other _____

Please check if any of the following are applicable:

- Vietnam Era Veteran Veteran with a Disability
- Individual with a disability Re-entry student

I understand that I'm providing this information voluntarily and it will be kept strictly confidential.

Signature

Date



Communication Sciences and Disorders TIER Grant Master's Degree Program

Training and Interdisciplinary Education and Research

Student Objectives

1. Complete a master's degree in Communication Sciences and Disorders.
2. Participate in interdisciplinary field experience in addition to other services which will further the availability of quality speech-language pathology programs for children with disabilities.
3. Develop the necessary skills to become an expert clinician of multicultural students with disabilities, with a particular focus on students with high intensity needs.
4. Address the needs of children with disabilities, including early intervention, school-aged population, and transition programs.
5. Facilitate the development of successful and mutually beneficial partnerships with children's families to support effective service delivery.

Student Responsibilities

1. Notify Dr. Jessika Lawrence, program co-director of the TIER Grant, of all changes in address and employment status until the service obligation has been satisfied.
jlawrence14@csuchico.edu
2. Log-in to the PDPDCS website and update records every 6 months
<https://pdp.ed.gov/OSEP/>
3. Students are expected to participate in 10-15 hours per week in field experience placements per semester. Contracts for field experience hours are to be completed at the beginning of each semester in collaboration with the program advisor.
4. Maintain satisfactory progress toward the credential or degree.
GPA requirements:
Masters – GPA 3.0 in each graduate course.
5. Attend all mandatory grant recipient meetings, typically 1-2 per semester.
6. All grant-funded students are expected to attend all classes, demonstrate model academic behavior, be independent thinkers and learners, and be punctual and professional in all interactions with parents, children, peers, and community programs.
7. Take and pass the PRAXIS exam during your final semester of funding. View complete details at <https://www.ets.org/praxis/>



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