

**UNIVERSIDAD ANA G. MÉNDEZ
SCHOOL OF HEALTH SCIENCES
HEALTH PROFESSIONS DEPARTMENT
SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY PROGRAM**

**MSLP PROGRAM EVALUATION PLAN
2015-2020**

MSLP PROGRAM MISSION STATEMENT

To prepare well trained professionals in the Speech-Language Pathology field who can deliver excellent clinical services to a variety of populations with ethical and professional practice standards. The program is committed to foster research, academic and clinical skills in our students to graduate well-educated Speech-Language Pathology professionals. The program also fosters the development of research in our faculty and in our students by promoting the development of outstanding academic credentials and innovative teaching strategies.

MSLP PROGRAM VISION STATEMENT

To be the first academic choice for students wanting to become Speech Language Pathologist, by providing the best academic and clinical education sustained by the latest technology, materials and knowledge based on evidence.

MSLP PROGRAM GOALS

The MSLP Program goals are aligned with the Program's six focus areas: Students, Clinical Component, Research, Faculty, Community Impact, and Program Administration.

AREA: STUDENTS

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Objectives	To be achieved on	To be evaluated by Form #	Person accountable for
1.1 Conduct the MSLP Program’s admission process at the School of Health Sciences (SHS) following the academic norms and regulations established by UAGM.	March April 2016 March April 2017 March April 2018 March April 2019 March April 2020	<i>Interview Rubric and Essay Rubric to be used during interview</i> <i>Pre-requisites courses</i> <i>Letters of Recommendation</i> <i>EXADEP Test Results</i>	MSLP PROGRAM Admission Committee and Program Director

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Objectives	To be achieved on	To be evaluated by Form #	Person accountable for
2.1 Achieve and maintain the PRAXIS students pass rate up to 80%.	2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020	ETS PRAXIS Series Institutional Summary Report and Designated Institution Score Report Form	MSLP PROGRAM Director
2.2 Increase students opportunities to develop skills to answer PRAXIS test in English	Gradually and continuously form 2015-2020	At least one test or class related activity will be provided in English to students including the use on	Faculty members and Program Director

	English textbooks for courses. Comprehensive test will be in English. EBS company will provide a test review and Mock-Test opportunity.
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3AREA: CLINICAL COMPONENT

GOAL #1 Enhance our MSLP Program clinical component.

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Objectives	To be achieved on	To be evaluated by Form #	Person accountable for
1.1 Increase hospital-based and acute care clinical settings	August 2015-2016 August 2016-2017 August 2017-2018 August 2018-2019	Appendix M Clinical Practice Student Intern Manual ;Clinical Education Collaborative Agreement and Contract	MSLP PROGRAM Clinical Coordinator
1.2 Establish a geriatric clinic including services for degenerative diseases (i.e. Myathemia Gravis, Alzheimer, ASL)	January2020	Equipment purchase, client referrals, promotion, services log	MSLP PROGRAM in-house clinic Director
1.3 Establish an Early literacy program	January 2020 May 2020	Equipment purchase, client referrals, promotion, services log Equipment purchase, client	MSLP PROGRAM in-house clinic Director

1.4 Establish a Voice Rehab Clinic (singers, Parkinson's, H&N Cancer)		referrals, promotion, services log	MSLP PROGRAM in-house clinic Director
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AREA: RESEARCH

GOAL #1 Increase faculty-initiated research

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Objectives	To be achieved on	To be evaluated by Form #	Person accountable for
1.1 Establish research collaboration along with colleagues from universities in and out of Puerto Rico.	2016-2017 2017-2018 2018-2019 2019-2020	IRB Forms, research papers	MSLP PROGRAM faculty
1.2 Faculty members will be annually engaged in grant writing opportunities.	2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020	Proposals submitted	MSLP PROGRAM faculty and director

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Objectives	To be achieved on	To be evaluated by Form #	Person accountable for
2.1 Public Dissemination of program research in SLP will be initiated. 2.1a Poster presentation and conferences. 2.1b Students and faculty research project will be available online. 2.1c Faculty and students will be encourage and supported to submit papers for publication.	2015-2020	Papers submitted for publication, drafts, on-line publication activity, mailing	MSLP PROGRAM Director

AREA: FACULTY

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Objectives	To be achieved on	To be evaluated by Form #	Person accountable for
1.1 Eight (8) ASHA Certified doctoral level faculty members will have full-time appointments.	2020	Doctoral completion documents	MSLP PROGRAM faculty MSLP PROGRAM Director

GOAL #2 Increase doctoral level faculty recruitment.

Objectives	To be achieved on	To be evaluated by Form #	Person accountable for
1.1 Three faculty members will be recruited for the program in the areas of: Bilingualism and multiculturalism, Early Intervention, autism and pervasive developmental disorders, linguistic & literacy.	May 2020	Faculty contracts and appointments, academic load	SHS Dean MSLP PROGRAM Director

AREA: COMMUNITY IMPACT

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Objectives	To be achieved on	To be evaluated by Form #	Person accountable for
1.1 Students and faculty will provide screening, orientation, prevention and consultation services to the community.	Continuously	Public participation in activities, referrals, documentation, printed material	MSLP PROGRAM Clinical Coordinator MSLP Program faculty

AREA: PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

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Objectives	To be achieved on	To be evaluated by Form #	Person accountable for
1.1 UAGM-MSLP Program will continue to be accredited by the Council on Academic Accreditation (CAA) of the American Speech-Language and Hearing Association (ASHA).	Continuously	CAA Certification letter	MSLP PROGRAM Director

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Objectives	To be achieved on	To be evaluated by Form #	Person accountable for
2.1 One clinical practice coordinator will be appointed to the Department to manage undergraduate and clinical practice.	August 2019	Appointment of one clinic coordinator	SHS Dean, SHS Director of Administration and MSLP PROGRAM Director