comprehension skills appropriate for service delivery. A minimum TOEFL score of 600 on the paper-based exam, or 100 on the internet-based exam, must be achieved on a test taken within the last two years. Students may be referred for accent reduction or ESL instruction.

NOTE: Simply meeting the criteria outlined above is not a guarantee of admission.



## **FACULTY**

Joe Melcher, Ph.D. Professor Emeritus 504-520-5087 jmelcher@xula.edu

Terrilynn Jenkins, Ph.D., CCC-SLP Assistant Professor 504-520-5087 | tjenkin9@xula.edu

Melissa Handy, MS, CCC-SLP Director of Clinical Education 504-520-5087 | mhandy2@xula.edu

Tara Roy White, MS, CCC-SLP Clinical Educator troywhit@xula.edu

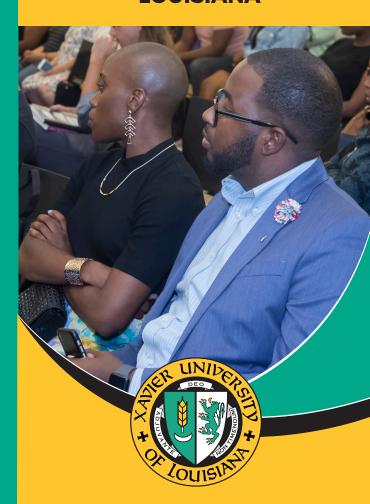
# **CONTACT US:**

Office of Graduate Programs

Xavier University of Louisiana

Phone: 504-520-7669 | ogp@xula.edu

# XAVIER UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA



MASTER OF SCIENCE IN SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY



#### **SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY**

"The XULA SPTH Master of Science in Speech-Language Pathology (SPTH) prepares students to become future Speech-Language Pathologists, researchers, and teachers. We provide students with stellar academic training and clinical opportunities that equip them to provide comprehensive SLP care for all cases, with emphasis on people from racially/culturally and linguistically diverse populations and people from underserved segments of the community."

Terrilynn Jenkins, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, Department Chair and Program Director, Assistant Professor

## **MISSION**

The mission of the Master's Program in Speech-Language Pathology at Xavier University of Louisiana is to produce professionals who are clinically competent as defined by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) to respectfully and compassionately address the needs (i.e., prevention, identification, treatment) of individuals across the life span with communicative disorders, differences or those who are at-risk of such problems within and across diverse communities, settings, and contexts.



## **ABOUT THE MS-SLP PROGRAMS**

- The MS-SLP program is generally completed in two years.
- Over the span of five semesters (typically)
- Academic content and clinical experience designed to prepare students for work with culturally and linguistically diverse populations
- Requirement: 51 credit hours; 400 supervised clinical practicum hours

The Master's program in Speech-Language Pathology at Xavier University of Louisiana is an Applicant for Candidacy by the Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology (CAA) of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, 2200 Research Boulevard, #310, Rockville, MD 20850, 800-498-2071 or 301-296-5700. Pending preaccreditation.

# **ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS:**

- Bachelor's degree from a regionallyaccredited college or university with a minimum 3.2 GPA in your field of study
- 3 letters of recommendation
- Official transcripts from every college or university attended.
- Successful completion of a face-to-face interview, upon invitation.
- Personal statement
- Graduate Record Exam (GRE) score requirements include a 280 minimum combined score. (Verbal & Quantitative Reasoning)
- As part of the application process, applicants must clearly express in writing their views on cultural and linguistic diversity. They must also pass a communication screening as part of their initial interview. Students who are not native speakers of English will be required to pass the TOEFL and demonstrate English speaking