



# Audiologist

Consider majoring in **Communication Disorders & Sciences at Eastern Illinois University**. EIU has undergraduate courses in audiology, aural rehabilitation, sign language, clinical experience & high acceptance to grad school for Audiology.

## What Do Audiologists Do?

- Audiologists work with patients of all ages from new-borns to elderly who present with hearing and balance disorders.
- Audiologists evaluate, diagnose, and treat a variety of hearing problems.
- They supervise & conduct new-born hearing screenings
- They assess the candidacy of persons with hearing loss for hearing aids and cochlear implants and provide fitting, programming, and audiologic rehabilitation to ensure the best possible outcomes.
- They manage hearing conservation programs, provide tinnitus retraining therapy, perform cerumen management, participate in forensic audiology and evaluate auditory processing disorders.
- They counsel and educate teachers, older adults, children and their families about hearing loss
- Audiologists serve on multi-disciplinary teams with other professionals including physicians, physical therapists, optometrists, teachers, and speech-language pathologists and make medical referrals

## Job Outlook and Salary

**GREAT JOB !!!** High Job Satisfaction— helping people, changing lives with ability to have better hearing and balance

Good salary! (2023 Bureau Labor Median= \$87,740)

Job flexibility/variety— choose different settings, ages, part-time/hourly

High Employment, often multiple job offers

Audiology job opportunities growing much faster than average at 11% between 2023 and 2033 (Bureau Labor Statistics)



## Where do Audiologists Work?

- Hospitals
- Doctors' offices
- Private and Group Practice
- Long-Term Care Facilities
- K-12 Schools
- Other Schools and Programs for special-needs children
- Colleges and Universities
- Local, State, and Federal Government Agencies
- Military- 2.7 million veterans have service-related hearing loss

