

## Clinical Fellowship

The Clinical Fellowship (CF) is a transition between being a student and being an independent provider of clinical services that involves a mentored professional experience after the completion of academic course work and clinical practicum. This fellowship is completed in addition (concurrently) to the Supervised Professional Experience (SPE) which must be completed in Connecticut (see the section in the Graduate Student Handbook) on Connecticut state licensure).

Time requirement is 36 weeks of full-time (35 hours per week) experience (or the equivalent part-time experience), totaling a minimum of 1260 hours. Part-time work can be completed, as long as the CF works more than 5 hours per week. Working more than 35 hours per week will not shorten the minimum requirement of 36 weeks.

The CF must be completed under the supervision of an ASHA certified supervisor. Prior to beginning the CF, the Clinical Fellow must verify the supervisor's current ASHA certification status by contacting the ASHA Action Center at 1-800-498-2071. The supervisor must maintain his or her certification status throughout the CF in order for all of the experience to be accepted.

At the beginning of the CF, the Clinical Fellow will review the CF requirements and skills on which candidate will be evaluated during the CF experience with the supervisor. After completing the appropriate number of hours, an approval CF Report and Rating Form must be submitted to ASHA.

Arrangements for completion of the CF experience are made between the Clinical Fellow and the CF supervisor, external to CMD interaction. Carefully read about the requirements at the ASHA web site.