This interdisciplinary program draws on the resources and faculty expertise from the Divisions of Speech and Hearing Sciences and Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy within the School of Medicine; and the Applied Developmental Sciences and Special Education Program in the School of Education. The faculty also work closely with researchers from the Frank Porter Graham Child Development Institute, Carolina Institute for Developmental Disabilities, and the UNC TEACCH Autism Program, as well as other community partners.

**Special Program Features:**

**Four Courses and Seminars**
1. Implementation Science
2. Teaching and Professional Development
3. Community Engaged Seminar and Internship
4. Grant Writing

**Specialized Research, Teaching, Implementation Science, and Community Engagement Apprenticeships**

With faculty who are leaders in the fields of: Autism Spectrum Disorder, Hearing Loss, Literacy, and/or Family-and-Culturally Guided Practice

**Special Focus on High-Need Children** who are living in poverty, are far below grade level, are poor or at-risk readers, are from a minority racial or ethnic group, and/or are Dual-Language Learners

**Yearly Stipend** of $19,000, In-state Tuition Support, Travel Support, and Health Insurance

**Application Information:**

Students first must be accepted into one of the three participating doctoral programs. For more information, contact:

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Dr. Nancy Bagatell for occupational science (deadline 5/31/18; bagatell@email.unc.edu);
Dr. Harriet Able for ADSSE (deadline 2/12/19; hable@email.unc.edu)