## University of Utah Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders Statement of Purpose

This application is required for students applying for either the master's in speech-language pathology or doctor of audiology (AuD) program. This application requires you to address several important components. Please address components I-IV and completely; failure to do so will result in a non-review of your application. Items V and VI are optional.

- I. In one or two paragraphs, explain why you are pursuing a career in speech-language pathology or audiology.
- II. In one or two paragraphs, state personal attributes that contribute to your ability to work with clientele with communication disorders. What makes you unique or different as a candidate?
- III. In one or two paragraphs, state how your previous job(s), volunteer opportunities, and/or extracurricular experiences have prepared you for the responsibilities of being an audiologist or speech-language pathologist.
- IV. In one or two paragraphs, please tell us specifically why you are interested in completing your graduate training in the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders at the University of Utah.
- V. If applicable, list any honors and/or awards you have received (i.e., Dean's list, membership in an honor society, scholarships, published research, etc.).
- VI. If necessary, briefly discuss and clarify any extenuating circumstances underlying discrepancies or weaknesses with your grades or GRE scores.