Marion Downs Center
4th Year AuD Fellowship Application Information

The Marion Downs Center (MDC) is currently accepting applications for 4th year AuD Fellows for the 2019-2020 academic year. Applications are due by October 1st, 2018.

The MDC is a nonprofit “Center of Excellence” that provides culturally sensitive services, resources, education and research to support the needs of individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing or who have communication challenges, their families, and the professionals who serve them.

The Colorado LEND Program currently supports a 4th year Fellow at the Marion Downs Center. The Colorado Audiology LEND is a program through JFK Partners at the University of Colorado Denver (UCD). LEND Fellows participate in multidisciplinary educational opportunities at UCD in addition to their clinical responsibilities at MDC. Sandra Abbott Gabbard, PhD is the Audiology Discipline Director of the Colorado LEND and provides LEND mentoring and clinical services at the MDC.

The 12-month MDC Fellowship includes experience with all ages of patients in multiple areas of practice including:
- Audiometric assessment (behavioral, immittance audiometry, OAEs, ABR, ASSR)
- Amplification (hearing aids, FM, assistive devices and devices for tinnitus)
- Cochlear Implant candidacy and mapping
- Pediatrics (diagnostic assessment, amplification, community-based screening, preschool audiology support, Teen Program)
- Aural (Re)habilitation (Marion’s Way Preschool and Adult Classes)

The clinic faculty at the MDC consists of four audiologists, three speech-language pathologists, and a teacher of the deaf. The MDC has many community programs including a screening program for hearing and speech, a summer preschool, a program for teens with hearing loss, and many special events and educational programs throughout the year.

Every student is unique with different interests; therefore, an effort is made to tailor the experience to the student’s individual needs and professional goals.

Students interested in applying for the 2019-2020 year need to submit their application packet by October 1, 2018. In the application, please include the following:

- A letter of intent explaining what type of experience you have or plan to have prior to starting your 4th year and your interests and expectations for your 4th year experience
- A resume including relevant education and experience
- Two letters of recommendation
- Any additional information you might find helpful in determining whether or not you would be a good fit for our program

We strongly encourage a visit and personal interview for all applicants. Applicants who cannot visit may be offered a telephone interview. A decision about accepted applicants will be made by November 15th, 2018.

Application materials can be sent electronically to Sandra.gabbard@mariondowns.org or mailed to

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