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RE: Graduate Specialist Programs in Speech and Language Pathology

Enclosed please find information regarding Chapter 23 of the Statutes of 2019 state allocation to increase the capacity of graduate specialist programs in Speech and Language Pathology at the California State University (CSU). This report, as produced in these tables, includes data from the eight CSU campuses which received and utilized funds to support increasing enrollment, tracking graduation, tracking student licensure examination, tracking licensure examination pass rates and job placement in graduate Speech Language Pathology programs:

Graduate Specialist Programs in Speech Pathology Summary Totals 2022-2023					
<i>Enrollees</i>	<i># of Graduates</i>	<i># of PRAXIS Exams</i>	<i># of Passed PRAXIS</i>	<i># of Graduates Employed</i>	<i>% Employed</i>
282	289	205	187	221	79%

CSU Campuses
Bakersfield
Channel Islands
Chico
Dominguez Hills
East Bay

Fresno
Fullerton
Humboldt
Long Beach
Los Angeles
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Graduate Specialist Programs in Speech Pathology by Campus 2022-2023						
<i>Campuses</i>	<i>Enrollees</i>	<i># of Graduates</i>	<i># PRAXIS Exams</i>	<i># Passed PRAXIS</i>	<i># Graduates Employed</i>	<i>% Employed</i>
Chico	26	26	19	19	21	81
Fullerton	30	22	20	20	30	100
Long Beach	27	25	16	16	22	100
Northridge	45	46	46	41	33	45
Sacramento	39	39	20	16	TBD	TBD
San Diego	37	41	42	42	43	98
San Francisco	34	44	16	10	37	100
San Jose	44	46	26	23	35	78

As the nation’s largest and most diverse four-year public university, the CSU has distinguished itself as an institution which provides high-quality workforce ready degree programming that prepares students for both traditional and emerging careers. The CSU is critical in its role in providing skills, knowledge and programs aligned with workforce demands to help drive social mobility and California’s economy. With over 400 healthcare profession related degree programs and concentrations the CSU has proven itself to be a vital contributor of professionals and practitioners within the state’s healthcare sector.

The field of communication disorders and speech pathology is experiencing significant employment growth and demand within the state due to the increasing number of individuals in the aging population and the undersupply of practitioners. It is expected that the number of job openings in this field will increase by 32% in the next ten years according to the state’s Economic Development Department. Collectively, these factors have caused a subsequent demand from both students and employers to increase the production of undergraduate and graduate-level degree programs in Speech Language Pathology.

Graduate programs in Speech Language Pathology throughout the CSU system are uniquely positioned to address these demands due to the accessibility of campuses throughout the state, including several in medically underserved areas. This, along with the CSU’s uniquely diverse student population and its Graduation Initiative 2025, allows the CSU to be one of the largest producers of population-reflective healthcare graduates.

The state allocation has helped to increase student graduates from 265 to 289 since the 2021-22 academic year, resulting in a 9% increase. These funds will continue to sustain the CSU’s ability to produce graduates in the Speech Language Pathology programs while ensuring that a substantial percentage of graduates obtain licensure to practice.

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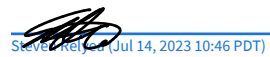
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This report is submitted pursuant to Chapter 23 of the Statutes of 2019 (Budget Act of 2019) as amended by Chapter 55 of the Statutes of 2019, as amended by Chapter 363 of the Statutes of 2019, Section 2, item 6610-001-0001, provision 1.5, paragraph (g), which provided funding to support these programs.

Should you have any questions about this report, please contact Nathan Dietrich, Assistant Vice Chancellor, Advocacy and State Relations at (916) 445-5983.

Sincerely,



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