

SITE: Craniofacial Center/J. Hillis Miller Health Center

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ADDITIONAL SUPERVISORS:

DESCRIPTION OF SITE: The Craniofacial Center is a multi-disciplinary outpatient clinic designed to diagnose and treat craniofacial disorders, including cleft palate. Disciplines represented on the team include speech-language pathology, audiology, dentistry, orthodontics, pediatrics, craniofacial surgery, and social work among others. Clients are seen from 1:00-5:00 on Wednesday, and 12:30-5:30 on Thursday.

DESCRIPTION OF PRACTICUM EXPERIENCES: This specialized practicum provides training in diagnosing and treating speech disorders in patients with cleft lip/palate and an array of craniofacial anomalies. Emphasis is placed on velopharyngeal insufficiency and oral-structural problems that impact on speech production.

HELPFUL PREREQUISITES: Coursework in cleft palate and/or craniofacial anomalies

SPECIFIC SKILLS GAINED AT SITE: Experience in working with a multi-disciplinary team to diagnose and treat speech disorders associated with craniofacial anomalies; experience in nasopharyngoscopy and videofluorography.