Doctoral Level
Interdisciplinary Leadership in Autism Spectrum Disorders: Optimizing Research-Practice Partnerships for Evidence-Based Outcomes

This interdisciplinary program draws on the resources and expertise from the Divisions of Speech and Hearing Sciences and Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy within the School of Medicine; and Applied Developmental Sciences and Special Education (ADSSE) program in the School of Education at UNC-CH. The focus of the program is to prepare students to assume leadership positions in institutions of higher education and to guide research, practice, and policy regarding evidence-based outcomes for children and youth with autism spectrum disorders (ASD). Participating faculty have expertise in ASD and community engaged research.

Special Program Features
Five Courses and Seminars
1 Autism Research Seminar
2 Translational Research
3 Teaching and Professional Development
4 Seminar in Grant Writing
5 Seminar Focused on Diverse Families

Specialized Research and Teaching Apprenticeships
Participating Faculty Include: Elizabeth Crais, Grace Baranek, Harriet Able, Linda Watson, Brian Boyd, Sam Odom, Kara Hume, Lauren Turner-Brown, Gary Martin, Rebecca New, & Lynne Vernon-Feagans

Yearly Stipend of $19,000, Instate Tuition Support, Travel Support, and Health Insurance

Application Information
Students must first be accepted into doctoral studies in one of the participating doctoral programs. Application information can be obtained from the following websites:
http://www.med.unc.edu/ahs/sphs/programs/phd
http://www.med.unc.edu/ahs/ocsci/Prospective%20students/phd-Program-Description
http://soe.unc.edu/academics/phd_developmental_science/