

# Stockton Students, Speech-Language

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**Galloway, NJ** - The Stockton University Masters of Science in Communication Disorders Program has aligned with Adler Aphasia Center of West Orange and Maywood, N.J. to offer twice-monthly free clinics for those suffering from aphasia, a speech and language disorder.

Aphasia results from damage to the parts of the brain that contain language (typically in the left half of the brain). Close to two million individuals within the U.S. suffer from this type of communication disorder.

Graduate students will be working under the supervision of a certified speech-language pathologist and clinical affiliate, JoAnn Sabo, to help patients with aphasia to practice speaking, develop alternative communication strategies, cope with the challenges of living with the disorder, and meet and interact with others with aphasia and their families.

"This wonderful partnership allows the students to gain valuable experience while giving back to the community," said Dean Theresa Bartolotta of Stockton's School of Health Sciences.

The group will meet on the **second and fourth Fridays of each month from 10 a.m. – noon** at Stockton University's Kramer Hall, 30 Front St. in downtown Hammonton, N.J. The first meeting will be held on **March 11**.