



**BRITISH ACADEMY
OF AUDIOLOGY**



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Audiology is a profession that identifies and assesses hearing and balance function and their associated disorders.

Healthcare science staff in audiology are the primary healthcare professionals who evaluate, diagnose, treat, and manage hearing loss and balance disorders in adults and children. They work with patients of all ages as part of a team, recommending and providing appropriate therapeutic rehabilitation and management.

Audiology is a rapidly developing field, and the need for audiological services is clear. A national study of hearing showed that approximately 16% of the population have a significant hearing loss, indicating that working in this field is an important area.



If you're a team player, with good listening skills, great communication, and are interested in working with people to find solutions that improve their hearing and balance, then audiology is for you.

Roles in Audiology

There are many roles within audiology that include:

-  Newborn Hearing Screener
-  Hearing Aid Dispensers
-  Audiologists/ Healthcare Science Practitioner
-  Clinical Scientist
-  Hearing Therapist
-  Educational Audiologist

Audiologists work across community settings, the independent sector, hospitals, universities, charities, companies, education and research.

With further training and experience, a career in Audiology career can develop into specialisms, management, research or teaching.

Audiologists need to register with professional and regulatory bodies in their roles in order to practice.

Routes into Audiology







There are several entry points to becoming a registered Audiology professional in the UK.

A range of qualification entry points exist, from school leaver to graduates.

Audiologist/Clinical Scientist	Hearing Aid Dispenser
Part of NHS Modernising Scientific Careers Framework	HCPC* approved courses Foundation Degree or Dip HE Hearing Aid Audiology
	Aptitude Test For existing audiologists who did not complete a HCPC* approved course
	Msc in Clinical Science Scientist Training Programme (STP)
Healthcare Science Apprenticeships	
Postgraduate Diploma / MSc in Audiology with associated placements/training	

*The Health and Care Professions Council

Good hearing helps people stay connected, reduces loneliness and supports health and wellbeing. Hearing health is a vital part of healthy ageing. As an audiologist, you would be the healthcare professional facilitating people's ability to hear well and therefore live well. Our profession needs you if you have:

-  Good interpersonal skills and the ability to communicate well with all ages
-  The ability to think logically and adopt an analytical, scientific approach alongside a caring, patient-focused attitude
-  Excellent communication skills, offering advice and reassurance to patients, whilst liaising with professional healthcare teams
-  An interest in science and technology: comfortable with technology and complex equipment
-  Attention to detail and ability to work under pressure
-  A desire to help people to remain connected to loved ones and their surroundings

If you would like a career that is varied and demands a wide skill set and the ability to continually learn throughout your working life, come and be an audiologist.

For more information regarding entry requirements and providers for these courses, please visit the BAA website: www.baaudiology.org



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