



**South West University (SWU)** is a state university in Republic of Bulgaria. More than 12000 undergraduates and postgraduates pursue their studies currently. The teaching and research staff are composed of 540 full time professors, associates professors and assistants. Part-time staff is more 400.

The Department of Logopedics was founded in 2002 and is the first and unique in Bulgaria, and is located in the faculty of Public Health and Sports. The department's staff is consisting of 9 full time lecturers: 1 full professor, 4 associate Professors, 2 PhD Assistant Professors and 1 Assistant Professors.

As a good example of the research infrastructure in Logopedics could be presented the **University Stuttering Research Center**.

Written exam in Bulgarian language or Biology to enter in Logopedics Program.

**Length of the course:** 4 years for Bachelor and 1 year Master (after Bachelor).

**Qualification achieved on graduation:** Logopedist

**Qualification (degree/diploma):** Diploma as a logopedist

**Number of students:** 20 per year for Bachelor degree and 5 per year for Master degree

**Master's degrees:**

- ✚ Logopedics management in fluency and voice disorders
- ✚ Logopedics management in cochlear implants

**Supervised clinical practicum time during logopedics education:**

- ✚ Bachelor degree – 3 000 h, 240 ECTS credits (30 per semester); 675h clinical work; 250h observations
- ✚ Master degree – 700 h., 60 credits (30 per semester); 250 clinical work

**The content of the Bachelor study** consists 45 courses (compulsory and elective) and they are grouped according to the IALP guidelines for the initial education in logopedics (speech language pathology/therapy/orthophony) published in *Folia Phoniatica et Logopaedica* in 1995, 47 (page 296-301).

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