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School of Speech, Language and Hearing Sciences Moves

The school now occupies the former Student Health Services building on Campanile Drive.

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The **School of Speech, Language and Hearing Sciences** has found a new home in the **former Student Health Services building** on Campanile Drive.

New home for faculty, labs and clinics

Earlier this semester, the majority of faculty, some research labs and the school's speech-language and audiology clinics moved to the new space. Prior to the move, the school's main administrative facility was located on campus, but the clinics and many faculty research labs were off-campus at the Alvarado complex.

The new space will integrate the academic and research missions with the audiology and speech language clinics, which train graduate student clinicians and serve hundreds of clients in the community.

Creating a collaborative environment

"The new facility will help create a cohesive and collaborative environment for cutting-edge clinical and basic research and training to take place," said Beverly Wulfeck, director of the School of Speech, Language and Hearing Sciences.

"This move means research and clinical faculty, undergraduate and graduate students will have more opportunities for collaborations that can lead to exciting breakthroughs in clinical practice and further our understanding of communicative processes and disorders," Wulfeck said.

Significant renovations

The building has undergone significant renovations and will have state-of-the-art clinical and instructional capabilities, including:

- Four smart classrooms
- 15 individual and group therapy rooms
- Five audiology sound booths for clinical and research functions
- Three new hearing aid assessment labs

Additionally, the building features new research labs to support studies of psycholinguistics, bilingualism, motor speech disorders, phonology, language acquisition and brain/language relations.

The school will celebrate its 70th anniversary and its new home, with an open house on May 8, 2009.