## Phonak Resource

## Sample letter explaining hearing loss

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Hello,

My name is \_\_\_\_\_\_ class this semester.

I am deaf/hard of hearing/have a hearing loss. Hearing loss is a communication disability. It affects how I receive auditory information. In class I may use various kinds of technology to assist me. I may use a wireless listening system (FM/Roger<sup>™</sup>), Communication Access Real-Time Translation (CART) and/or sign language interpreters.

When talking, please speak clearly and at a steady pace. I need you to face me as much as possible as I depend on visual cues, such as lip reading and body language, to help me understand what you are saying and fill-in what I have audibly missed.

I am excited to take your class!

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Regards,

