

Associate of Applied Science Degree Arts and Humanities

Applied American Sign Language Studies (9312)

This program is designed to give students a foundation in American Sign Language (ASL) and to acquaint them with basic issues of concern to the Deaf community. Furthermore, the program offers an opportunity to individuals already working in the Deaf community to increase their understanding of ASL and Deaf culture in order to strengthen their knowledge and their communication skills. This program will give students sufficient training to: (1) allow for effective communication with Deaf persons in informal settings in teaching, human services, or healthcare; (2) enhance their credentials for employment opportunities which do not require interpreter certification but do assign value to skills in ASL and knowledge of Deaf culture; (3) earn the academic qualifications for entry into advanced studies at universities offering sign language programs; (4) enter an interpreter training program, after which they may sit for a certification examination, sponsored by the national licensing organization.

**English course selection is based on placement test results (ENGL 1111 is 4 credits, only 3 credits apply to the degree).*

Related Electives: minimum 6 credits

ENGL 2275	Multicultural Literary Studies	3
HMSV 1115.	Introduction to Human Services.	3
LING 1500.	Introduction to Linguistics	3
SOCY 1150.	Principles of Sociology.	3
SOCY 2000.	Ethnic Minorities in the U.S.	3
SPCH 1000	Effective Public Speaking	3

OR

SPCH 2100Advanced Interpersonal Communication

NOTE: ASLI 1800 has a prerequisite of ASLI 1200 Introduction to American Sign Language II or proficiency test or permission of instructor. ASLI 1200 has a prerequisite of ASLI 1100 Introduction to American Sign Language I or proficiency test. Students may need to take additional courses if they have not already taken the prerequisite courses or their equivalent. Students with prior American Sign Language experience should contact the Arts and Humanities Office for information about the proficiency exams.

First Semester:

ASLI 1500	Deaf History and Culture: History and Social Conventions	3
ASLI 1800	American Sign Language I.	4
ENGL 1110*	English Composition I (A)	3
OR		
ENGL 1111.	English Composition I (B)	3
PSYC 1500	Introduction to Psychology	3
SPCH 1100	Effective Interpersonal Communications	3
Choose any physical activity course from PEHR 1101 through PEHR 1122 or DANC 1108 through DANC 1650.		
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Second Semester:

ASLI 1600	Deaf History and Culture: Structure and Society	3
ASLI 1850	American Sign Language II	4
ASLI 2700	Resources Concerning the Deaf Community	3
ENGL 1120	English Composition II	3
ITIS 1000.	Introduction to Personal Computers	1
Choose course(s) from the Related Electives list.		
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Third Semester:

ASLI 1700	Deaf Literature.	3
ASLI 1830	American Sign Language: Discourse.	3
ASLI 2800	American Sign Language III	4
HMSV 1215.	Dealing with Diversity.	3
PHIL 1500.	Introduction to Philosophy.	4

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Fourth Semester:

ASLI 2750	Applied Issues Concerning the Deaf Community	3
ASLI 2850	American Sign Language IV.	4
PSYC 2800	Social Psychology	3
PHIL 2700.	Ethics	3
Choose course(s) from the Related Electives list.		
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