

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE (ASL) (CERTIFICATE N0987)

Humanities and Social Sciences Division

Sign Language Department

The Certificate of Achievement in American Sign Language (ASL) is earned after successfully passing six classes: SIGN 101 or SIGN 101H, SIGN 102, SIGN 103, SIGN 104, SIGN 105, and Cultures in the Deaf Community. Our Mission is to increase knowledge and inspire students to appreciate Deaf people as a cultural and linguistic minority with a breadth and depth of rich histories, languages, cultures, and experiences. This Certificate of Achievement stands on its own. After students complete this certificate, there is the option to continue to take more classes to get additional degrees or certificates. Specifically:

Deaf Studies Certificate of Achievement

Deaf Studies AS Degree

Sign Language Interpreting Certificate of Achievement

Sign Language Interpreting AS Degree

This Certificate of Achievement in American Sign Language (ASL) is foundational to understand ASL fluency and Deaf Culture. Students will be immersed in diverse Deaf culture and language. Through a framework of social justice and communication equity, this is the introduction to other opportunities in the Deaf Community.

Required Courses

Course Prefix	Course Name	Units
SIGN 101	American Sign Language 1 *	4
or SIGN 101H	American Sign Language 1 - Honors	
SIGN 102	American Sign Language 2 *	4
SIGN 103	American Sign Language 3 *	4
SIGN 104	American Sign Language 4 *	4
SIGN 105	American Sign Language 5 *	4
SIGN 202	Cultures in the Deaf Community	3
Total Units		23

* Available as credit by exam.

Program Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this program, a student will be able to:

- Demonstrate professional disposition.
- Increase knowledge and inspire appreciation for Deaf people as a cultural and linguistic minority with a breadth and depth of rich histories, languages, cultures, and experiences.
- Use the foundation of acquired knowledge to be prepared for advanced degrees and careers with Deaf people.

Review Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs) for this program.