










Applied American Sign Language Studies (9312)


Associate of Applied Science Degree

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.

Course	Title	Credit Hours
First Semester		
ASLI 1100	Introduction to American Sign Language I 	4
ASLI 1550	Deaf History and Culture 	3
COMM 1000	Effective Public Speaking	3
ENGL 1110 or ENGL 1111	English Composition I (A) ¹ or English Composition I (B)	3
FYEX 1000	First Year Experience	1
Credit Hours		14
Second Semester		
ASLI 1200	Introduction to American Sign Language II 	4
ASLI 2700	Resources Concerning the Deaf Community 	3
ENGL 1120	English Composition II	3
PSYC 1500	Introduction to Psychology	3
SOCY 1150	Principles of Sociology	3
Credit Hours		16
Third Semester		
ASLI 1700	Deaf Literature 	3
ASLI 1800	American Sign Language I 	4
Select course(s) from the Arts and Humanities Electives list		3
Select course(s) from the Related Electives list		3
Select any course as a general elective		3
Credit Hours		16
Fourth Semester		
ASLI 1830	American Sign Language: Discourse 	3
ASLI 1850	American Sign Language II 	4
ASLI 2750	Applied Issues Concerning the Deaf Community 	3
Select course(s) from the Related Electives list		3
Select any Mathematics course from MATH 1330 or higher		3
Credit Hours		16
Total Credit Hours		62

¹ English course selection is based on placement test results (ENGL 1111 English Composition I (B) is 4 credits, only 3 credits apply to the degree).

 This course is designated as a technical course in the program. Students must earn a "C" grade or higher in the course to fulfill the college's graduation requirements policy.

Electives

Course	Title	Credit Hours
Related Electives		
COMM 1100 or COMM 2000	Effective Interpersonal Communications Advanced Public Speaking	3
ENGL 2275	Multicultural Literary Studies	3
HMSV 1115	Introduction to Human Services	3
HMSV 1215	Dealing with Diversity	3
LING 1500	Introduction to Linguistics	3
PHIL 1500	Introduction to Philosophy	3
PHIL 2700	Ethics	3
PSYC 2800	Social Psychology	3
SOCY 2000	Race and Ethnic Relations in the U.S.	3
THEA 1200	Acting I	3
Arts and Humanities Electives		
ARTS 1120	Art Appreciation	3
ARTS 2220	Survey of Art I	3
ARTS 2230	Survey of Art II	3
ENGL 2250	Survey of American Literature I	3
ENGL 2260	Survey of American Literature II	3
ENGL 2280	Survey of British Literature I	3
ENGL 2290	Survey of British Literature II	3
HUMX 1100	Introduction to Humanities	3
MUSC 1200	Music Appreciation	3
MUSC 1215	World Music	3
MUSC 1800	Popular Music: Rock, Jazz, Country, and Hip-Hop	3
MUSC 2200	Music History and Literature I	3
MUSC 2250	Music History and Literature II	3
PHIL 1500	Introduction to Philosophy	3
PHIL 2000	Comparative Religion	3
PHOT 1000	History of Photography	3