

American Sign Language

• Certificate

The American Sign Language Studies certificate provides students with the knowledge and skills of American Sign Language (ASL). The curriculum provides a basic foundation for entry into a career in a deafness-related field and prepares students for continued educational studies in a Sign Language Interpreter Program. Individuals who currently work, or intend to work, with Deaf and/or Hard-of-Hearing individuals in fields such as education, human/social services, community service agencies, and vocational rehabilitation benefit from the opportunity to learn and develop stronger skills in American Sign Language. The program is offered part-time over a two-year period. This certificate is also an excellent complement to the Associate of Arts degree.

Recommended Course Sequence for Completion in 2 Years • 2023-2025

Fall Semester 2023

LASL 1205 American Sign Language 1	
Total Credits	

Spring Semester 2024

LASL 1265 American Sign Language 2	3
COMM 1110 Introduction to Communications	3
Total Credits	6

Fall Semester 2024

LASL 2270 American Sign Language 3
Total Credits

Spring Semester 2025

LASL 2275 American Sign Language 4	3
LASL 2210 Fingerspelling and Numbers	3
Total Credits	6
TOTAL DEGREE CREDITS	
American Sign Language Certificate Earned!	

Career Outlook

The job outlook for those entering the Interpreters and Translators field is a 24% growth rate between 2020 and 2030. The 2020 median annual salary for those individuals with a bachelor's degree was \$52,330, or \$25.16 per hour. The potential career settings with the certificate are: community service agencies; business; other settings in combination with credentials and qualifications education, counseling, rehabilitation, and state government. The potential employer with the certificate are: U.S. Post Offices; People, Inc.; human service agencies; k-12 school districts.

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