

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE- ASL (ASL)

ASL 100 Orientation to Acquisition of ASL as an Adult (2 CR.)

Presents a brief introduction to the U.S. Deaf community, focusing on the differences in language and literature. Introduces many common pitfalls experienced by adults when acquiring ASL as a second language. Provides students with an experience bridging spoken English and ASL via use of visual- gestural, non-verbal communication. Lecture 2 hours per week.

ASL 101 Beginning American Sign Language I (4 CR.)

Introduces cultural awareness, comprehension and production skills, and emphasizes basic sentence structure in American Sign Language with a focus on interactive communicative competence. Part I of II. Lecture 4 hours per week.

ASL 102 Beginning American Sign Language II (4 CR.)

Introduces cultural awareness, comprehension and production skills, and emphasizes basic sentence structure in American Sign Language with a focus on interactive communicative competence. Part II of II. Lecture 4 hours. Total 4 hours per week.

Prerequisite(s) ASL 101 or equivalent

ASL 115 Fingerspelling And Number Use in ASL (2 CR.)

Provides intensive practice in comprehension and production of fingerspelled words and numbers with emphasis on clarity and accuracy. Focuses on lexicalized fingerspelling and numeral incorporation as used by native users of American Sign Language. Lecture 2 hours per week.

Prerequisite(s) ASL 101 or permission of instructor

ASL 125 History of the U.S. Deaf Community (3 CR.)

Examines the history of the Deaf Community. Presents an overview of various aspects of Deaf culture, including educational and legal issues in American history. Lecture 3 hours per week.

ASL 150 Working with Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing People (2 CR.)

Explores career options for serving Deaf/hard-of-hearing people and/or for using American Sign Language skills in a career. Examines interests, skills, and educational assessments. Investigates job market viability via the Internet and professional periodicals. Develops opportunities for students to network with professionals in the field of deafness. Lecture 2 hours per week.

ASL 201 Intermediate American Sign Language I (3 CR.)

Continues to develop cultural awareness, comprehension and production skills, and emphasizes a variety of sentence structures in American Sign Language with a continued focus on interactive communicative competence. Part I of II. Lecture 3 hours per week.

Prerequisite(s) ASL 102 or permission of instructor

ASL 202 Intermediate American Sign Language II (3 CR.)

Continues to develop cultural awareness, comprehension and production skills, and emphasizes a variety of sentence structures in American Sign Language with a continued focus on interactive communicative competence. Part II of II. Lecture 3 hours per week.

Prerequisite(s) ASL 201 or permission of instructor

ASL 210 ASL Storytelling (3 CR.)

Focuses on the elements of storytelling in ASL and the techniques that Deaf Americans utilize to pass on the histories and traditions of the Deaf community. Emphasizes comprehension and production of short stories in American Sign Language with emphasis on sign production clarity and conceptual accuracy. Lecture 3 hours per week

Prerequisite(s) ASL 262 or permission of instructor

ASL 220 Comparative Linguistics: ASL/English (3 CR.)

Describes spoken English and ASL (American Sign Language) on five levels: phonological, morphological, lexical, syntactic, and discourse. Compares and contrasts the two languages on all five levels using real-world examples. Documents similarities between signed languages and spoken languages in general. Describes the major linguistic components and processes of English and ASL. Introduces basic theories regarding ASL structure. Emphasizes ASL's status as a natural language by comparing and contrasting similarities and unique differences between the two languages. Lecture 3 hours per week.

Prerequisite(s) ASL 102

ASL 261 Advanced American Sign Language I (4 CR.)

Develops cultural awareness, comprehension and production skills, and emphasizes a variety of sentence structures in American Sign Language with a continued focus on advanced communicative competence. Prerequisite: ASL 202 or by placement test. Lecture 4 hours. Total 4 hours per week

Prerequisite(s) ASL 202

ASL 262 Advanced American Sign Language II (4 CR.)

Develops cultural awareness, comprehension and production skills, and emphasizes a variety of sentence structures in American Sign Language with a continued focus on advanced communicative competence. ASL 202 or by placement test. Lecture 4 hours. Total 4 hours per week.

Prerequisite(s) ASL 202