

INTERPRETER EDUCATION DEGREE (A55300)

The Interpreter Education curriculum prepares individuals to work as entry-level Sign Language Interpreters who will provide communication access in interview and interactive settings. In addition, this curriculum provides in-service training for working interpreters who want to upgrade their skills. Course work includes the acquisition of American Sign Language (ASL): grammar, structure, and sociolinguistic properties, cognitive processes associated with interpretation between ASL and English; the structure and character of the deaf community; and acquisition of consecutive and simultaneous interpreting skills.

Entry-level jobs for para-professional interpreters are available in educational systems or a variety of community settings. Individuals may choose from part-time, full-time, or self-employment/free-lance positions, or apply language skills to other human service related areas.

Note: Students must earn a grade of 'C' or better on all required content area courses (ASL, IPP, and WBL courses) or on any prerequisite course before taking the next level course.

COURSE & HOUR REQUIREMENTS

| Course Number & Name | Class Hours | Lab Hours | Credit Hours |
|---|-------------|-----------|--------------|
| FALL SEMESTER | | | |
| ACA 111 College Student Success | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| ASL 111 Elementary ASL I | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| ASL 181 ASL Lab 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| *COM 231 Public Speaking | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| *ENG 111 Writing and Inquiry | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| IPP 112 Comparative Cultures | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| Total | 13 | 2 | 14 |
| SPRING SEMESTER | | | |
| ASL 112 Elementary ASL II | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| ASL 182 ASL Lab 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| IPP 111 Introduction to Interpretation | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| IPP 130 Analytical Skills for Interpreting | 1 | 4 | 3 |
| *MAT 143 Quantitative Literacy | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| *Humanities/Fine Arts Elective | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| Total | 12 | 8 | 16 |
| SUMMER SEMESTER | | | |
| ASL 211 Intermediate ASL I | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| ASL 250 Linguistics of ASL | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| ASL 281 ASL Lab 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| IPP 152 ASL/English Translation | 1 | 4 | 3 |
| *Social/Behavioral Science Elective | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| Total | 10 | 6 | 13 |
| FALL SEMESTER | | | |
| ASL 212 Intermediate ASL II | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| ASL 252 ASL Classifiers (8 week course offering) | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| ASL 253 ASL Non-Manual Signals (8 week course offering) | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| IPP 153 Introduction to Discourse Analysis | 1 | 4 | 3 |
| IPP 161 Consecutive Interpreting | 2 | 6 | 5 |
| IPP 245 Educational Interpreting Issues | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| Total | 9 | 14 | 16 |
| SPRING SEMESTER | | | |
| ASL 221 Advanced ASL I | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| IPP 221 Simultaneous Interpreting I | 2 | 6 | 5 |
| IPP 224 ASL to English Interpretation | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| WBL 111 Work-Based Learning I | 0 | 10 | 1 |
| WBL 115 Work-Based Learning Seminar I | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Total | 7 | 19 | 12 |
| TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS FOR DEGREE | | | 71 |
| *HUMANITIES/FINE ARTS ELECTIVE Select one (1) course from the following: | | | |
| COM 120 Intro to Interpersonal Communication | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| HUM 115 Critical Thinking | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| PHI 215 Philosophical Issues | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| PHI 240 Introduction to Ethics | 3 | 0 | 3 |

INTERPRETER EDUCATION DEGREE REQUIREMENTS – CONTINUED

| Course Number & Name | Class Hours | Lab Hours | Credit Hours |
|--|-------------|-----------|--------------|
| **SOCIAL/BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE ELECTIVE Select <i>one (1)</i> course from the following: | | | |
| POL 120 American Government | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| PSY 150 General Psychology | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| SOC 210 Introduction to Sociology | 3 | 0 | 3 |

*This course is a component of the general education requirements needed for graduation.

NOTE: Students are required to take ACA 111 in their first semester.

NOTE: ASL 181, ASL 182, & ASL 281 are required for Interpreter Education degree- and certificate-seeking students.

NOTE: See [Criminal Record Considerations](#) in Admissions section of the catalog.

DEAF STUDIES OPTION CERTIFICATE (C55300)

COURSE & HOUR REQUIREMENTS

| Class Title | Class Hours | Lab Hours | Credit Hours |
|--|-------------|-----------|--------------|
| ASL 111 Elementary ASL I | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| ASL 112 Elementary ASL II | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| ASL 181 ASL Lab 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| ASL 182 ASL Lab 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| ASL 211 Intermediate ASL I | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| ASL 281 ASL Lab 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| IPP 112 Comparative Cultures | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS FOR CERTIFICATE | 12 | 6 | 15 |

Note: Students must earn a grade of 'C' or better on all required content area courses (ASL and IPP courses) or on any prerequisite course before taking the next level course.

1. This certificate can be completed in 3 semesters.
2. This certificate prepares students to communicate with deaf people. Students who want to become an interpreter should complete the Interpreter Education A.A.S. program.