AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE
(ASL)

ASL 19201 ELEMENTARY AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE I 4 Credit Hours
Introduction to American Sign Language and the culture of the American signing community, in an immersion setting.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 4 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: TAG Foreign Language

ASL 19202 ELEMENTARY AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE II 4 Credit Hours
A continuation of the introduction to American Sign Language and the culture of the American signing community, in an immersion setting.
Prerequisite: ASL 19201.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 4 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: TAG Foreign Language

ASL 19401 EXPLORATION OF DEAF CULTURE 3 Credit Hours
Introduction to the American Deaf Community and its culture. Topics include myths and facts about deafness, cultural norms, basic history of American Sign Language, issues of language and cultural oppression, history of education of deaf and hard-of-hearing individuals, legal rights and advocacy.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ASL 29201 INTERMEDIATE AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE I 3 Credit Hours
Continued development of receptive and expressive skills in American Sign Language and an introduction to ASL grammar, using a bilingual-bicultural approach and interaction with deaf organizations.
Prerequisite: ASL 19202.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: TAG Foreign Language

ASL 29202 INTERMEDIATE AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE II 3 Credit Hours
Continuation of ASL 29201 with an emphasis on greater exploration of American Sign Language sentence structure using a bilingual-bicultural approach. Students are involved in a community service project, providing a hands-on experience with using ASL within a community setting.
Prerequisite: ASL 29201.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: TAG Foreign Language

ASL 29212 APPLIED AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE GRAMMAR 3 Credit Hours
Provides students with intensive instruction and practice in grammar to help intermediate students express complex ideas using American Sign Language.
Prerequisite: ASL 19202.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ASL 29213 FINGERSPELLING, NUMBERS AND DEPICTION 3 Credit Hours
Provides intermediate students with intensive instruction and practice in technical aspects of American Sign Language, including fingerspelling, numbers, and depiction, and provides opportunities for students to incorporate these skills in spontaneous conversations.
Prerequisite: ASL 19202.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ASL 39095 SPECIAL TOPICS IN AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE 1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit for maximum 9 hours) Special topics course in American Sign Language, the topic of which varies. Precise titles and descriptions appear in the schedule of classes.
Prerequisite: Special approval.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 1-3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ASL 39201 ADVANCED AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE I 3 Credit Hours
Students enhance receptive and expressive proficiency in an immersion setting through the use of both planned and impromptu in-class discussion of current and historic events and involvement in a community service project. Students are advised to begin planning this activity early in the semester. Successful completion of ASL 29201 portfolio review required prior to registration.
Prerequisite: ASL 29202.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ASL 39202 ADVANCED AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE II 3 Credit Hours
Students continue to increase their receptive and expressive proficiency in American Sign Language in an immersion setting, through in-class formal and informal presentations, discussions of current and historical events, and working in groups to complete a semester project and a community service project.
Prerequisite: ASL 39201.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
ASL 39223  SOCIOLINGUISTICS OF THE DEAF COMMUNITY (WIC)  3 Credit Hours
Provides an introduction to the sociolinguistics of American Sign Language (ASL) and the Deaf Community: A study of ASL within a social context. Topics include: multilingualism, variation (related to region, ethnicity, class and age), bilingualism and language contact, language policy and planning and language attitudes. This course is taught in English. Knowledge of ASL is helpful but not necessary.
Prerequisite: Junior standing; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement

ASL 39401  INFLUENTIAL FIGURES IN THE DEAF WORLD  3 Credit Hours
This course explores key figures who have impacted the lives and culture of Deaf, Deaf-Blind and hard of hearing people while also participating within a dominant culture. First-hand narratives will allow students to engage with Deaf experiences to understand hegemony as it applies to hearing status. Coursework investigates but is not limited to the lives and contributions of those who have influenced American Sign Language, ASL instruction, Deaf professionals in Education and research, the arts, interpreting, sports, media, legislation, and affiliated organizations. A portion of this course will be utilized to explore Deaf people, social issues and civil rights from a global perspective.
Pre/corequisite: ASL 19202.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture, 0 lab, 0 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ASL 49091  SEMINAR IN AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE LINGUISTICS  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Provides an in-depth treatment of an American Sign Language linguistics-related topic.
Prerequisite: Minimum C grade in ASL 49108; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ASL 49092  PRACTICUM IN AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE (ELR)  1-3 Credit Hours
In consultation with the ASL program coordinator, ASL students design a practicum experience related to signed languages and their communities. Successful presentation of cumulative portfolio required prior to registration.
Prerequisite: ASL 29202.
Schedule Type: Practical Experience
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory-IP
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement

ASL 49096  INDIVIDUAL INVESTIGATION  1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Individual research on a topic dealing with American Sign Language, ASL pedagogy and/or deaf culture carried out under the supervision of a faculty member. The work for this course should result in a paper, presentation or some other gradable product(s).
Prerequisite: One American Sign Language (ASL) upper-division (30000 or 40000 level) course with a minimum B grade; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Individual Investigation
Contact Hours: 3-9 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement, Writing Intensive Course
ASL 49350  AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE LITERATURE  3 Credit Hours
This course explores the evolution of storytelling and poetry in American Sign Language and the Deaf community (in the U.S.). Two perspectives are explored: (1) the evolution of the language and its literature, and (2) the historical context and important figures whose work and style had significant impact. The course is conducted primarily in ASL, but examines the translation process to and from English to explore how the spoken, written and signed languages influence each other. This course culminates in a final student production in ASL, either live or recorded, performed for an audience providing appropriate translation and accessibility.
Prerequisite: ASL 39201 with a minimum B grade.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ASL 49401  DEAF CULTURE AND COMMUNITY  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with SPED 53101) Students explore the different voices and perspectives which have been, and are, present within the deaf community, issues of controversy, myths and data, using a mix of ASL and English materials and discussion. Successful presentation of cumulative portfolio required prior to registration.
Prerequisite: ASL 29202 and 49309; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ASL 49601  ACTIVITY DESIGN, IMPLEMENTATION AND EVALUATION  3 Credit Hours
This course is designed to prepare students to teach in both a formal classroom setting as well as in developing community programs to increase awareness of ASL and the Deaf community. Through a combination of theoretical foundations and practical application, students develop a comprehensive understanding of ASL pedagogy. This is an essential course for students preparing for a student teaching placement or students in other fields who wish to offer workshops and community content.
Pre/corequisite: ASL 39202.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter