

Sign language

SIGN LANGUAGE – SIGN

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Possible career opportunities

Sign language will help to prepare the student to communicate and work with deaf and hard of hearing people. There is a need for skilled, qualified sign language interpreters in educational and social service agencies. Teachers, human services providers, or independent living attendants also sometimes use sign language in their work. Some career options require more than two years of college study.

SIGN-280 American Sign Language (ASL) I

3 units SC

- 54 hours lecture per term
- Recommended: Eligibility for ENGL-122 or equivalent

The course provides an introduction to American Sign Language including expressive and receptive sign, the manual alphabet, facial expression, and body gestures with emphasis is on conversational skills in functional situations. CSU, UC

SIGN-281 American Sign Language (ASL) II

3 units SC

- 54 hours lecture per term
- Prerequisite: SIGN-280 or equivalent

This course builds on basic principles and vocabulary introduced in SIGN-280. Students will further develop skills including expressive and receptive sign, the manual alphabet, facial expression, and body gestures. An emphasis will be placed on conversational skills in functional situations, continued vocabulary and grammatical expression development, and the knowledge of deaf culture and community. CSU, UC

SIGN-282 American Sign Language (ASL) III

3 units SC

- 54 hours lecture per term
- Prerequisite: SIGN-281 or equivalent

This course expands vocabulary and grammatical skills, both receptive and expressive, using ASL I and II as a base. Students will further develop conversational skills in functional situations, and lead to an appreciation of the deaf culture and history. CSU, UC

SIGN-283 American Sign Language (ASL) IV

3 units SC

- 54 hours lecture per term
- Prerequisite: SIGN-282 or equivalent

This course is an advanced study of sign language expanding vocabulary and grammatical skills, both receptive and expressive. It will further develop conversational skills in functional settings, and lead to an appreciation of the deaf culture and history. CSU, UC

SIGN-299 Student Instructional Assistant

.5-3 units SC

- Variable Hours
- Note: Applications must be approved through the Instruction Office. Students must be supervised by a DVC instructor.

Students work as instructional assistants, lab assistants and research assistants in this department. The instructional assistants function as group discussion leaders, meet and assist students with problems and projects, or help instructors by setting up laboratory or demonstration apparatus. Students may not assist in course sections in which they are currently enrolled. CSU