

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE (ASL)

ASL-101 American Sign Language I

4 credits, Fall

First term of a three-term introductory course. Everyday communication is the centerpiece of each lesson. Topics revolve around sharing information about ourselves and our environment. Grammar is introduced in context, with an emphasis on developing question and answering skills. Strategies are presented to help the student maintain a conversation.

Recommended: WRD-098 or placement in WR-121

ASL-102 American Sign Language

4 credits, Winter

Second term of a three-term introductory course. Emphasis will be on increasing communicative abilities. Course will focus on language functions such as making requests, describing others, and/or telling a short story. Grammar and vocabulary will also be emphasized throughout the course.

Prerequisites: ASL-101 with a C or better

ASL-103 American Sign Language

4 credits, Spring

Third term of a three-term introductory course. Emphasis will be on developing conversational competence. Course includes basic ASL vocabulary and grammar used for basic communication such as opening conversations, clarifying, giving reasons, narrating family history, correcting, and elaborating.

Prerequisites: ASL-102 with a C or better

ASL-201 Second-Year American Sign Language I

4 credits, Fall

Review and expansion of American Sign Language vocabulary and structure in order to perfect expressive skill. Emphasizes active communication in sign language.

Prerequisites: ASL-103 with a C or better

ASL-202 Second-Year American Sign Language II

4 credits, Winter

Continuation of ASL-201. Emphasizes active communication in sign language. Increased emphasis on exploring, analyzing the rules, and presenting stories and literature in sign language.

Prerequisites: ASL-201 with a C or better

ASL-203 Second-Year American Sign Language III

4 credits, Spring

Continuation of ASL-202. Emphasizes active communication in sign language. Increased emphasis on exploring, analyzing the rules, discussing, developing, and presenting literature and poetry in sign language.

Prerequisites: ASL-202 with a C or better