

# American Sign Language (ASLA)

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## **ASLA 1001 American Sign Language 1 (3 credits)**

Introduction to the understanding of and acquisition of basic conversational skills and vocabulary in American Sign Language. Study of the historical, cultural, regional and psychological aspects of the Deaf World. Emphasis on development and refinement of production, comprehension and interpersonal skills using ASL in all its diversity. Exposure to deaf literature and the impact of audism. Introduction to finger spelling, facial expressions, acting out and pointing as a manual mode of vocabulary. Instruction is primarily in ASL with supports for hearing students. Controversial subjects such as cochlear implants, bilingual education, role of interpreters, current trends and deaf family members are presented and discussed.

*Level of Study:* Undergraduate

*Last four terms offered:* 2023 Spring Term, 2022 Fall Term, 2021 Fall Term, 2020 Fall Term

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## **ASLA 1002 American Sign Language 2 (3 credits)**

Continuation of ASLA 1001. Designed to provide further understanding of American Sign Language and the historical, cultural and psychological aspects of the American Deaf Community. Emphasis on: 1) the linguistic structure of ASL; 2) opportunities to expand vocabulary, conversational and comprehension skills; and 3) development of awareness of the cultural, historical and educational experience of the American Deaf Community as well as deaf people around the world.

*Prerequisite:* ASLA 1001; or cons. of dept. ch.

*Level of Study:* Undergraduate

*Last four terms offered:* 2023 Spring Term, 2022 Spring Term, 2021 Spring Term, 2020 Spring Term

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## **ASLA 1003 Introduction to Deaf Studies (3 credits)**

Introduction to the Deaf community in the United States and beyond. Discuss the lives and contributions of Deaf people past and present. Learn about Deaf people in their social and cultural environments through in-person and virtual encounters. Acquire a foundation of understanding for developing relationships with the Deaf community.

*Level of Study:* Undergraduate

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