

# AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE (ASL)

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## ASL-141 American Sign Language I (4)

Provides a beginning development of basic language and conversational skills in American Sign Language (ASL). Teaches basic vocabulary and grammatical knowledge to build comprehension and production skills, including introductions, describing others, and detailing family and living environments. Includes signed conversations and basic conversational tasks using American Sign Language. Explains simple and basic grammatical structures to ask questions and give simple information. Introduces Deaf culture through readings and assignments. The course is taught in American Sign Language. Arts & Sciences Elective Code: A  
*Hours per week:* 4.0 lecture

## ASL-171 American Sign Language II (4)

Continues development of basic language and conversational skills in American Sign Language. Expands vocabulary and grammatical knowledge, building comprehension and production skills. Explores expanded grammatical structure to give more detailed information about people, places, or events. Increases awareness of Deaf culture through readings and assignments. The course is taught in American Sign Language. Arts & Sciences Elective Code: A  
*Hours per week:* 4.0 lecture

*Prerequisite:* Take ASL-141.

## ASL-245 American Sign Language III (4)

Expands on the development of language and conversational skills in American Sign Language. Enhances vocabulary and grammatical knowledge; strengthens comprehension and production skills. Develops basic complex discourse skills and encourages engagement in meaningful, detailed dialogues. Teaches the use of new language structures and advanced questioning forms to give information, provide recommendations, and compare people, items, or events. Continues exploration and increases awareness of Deaf culture through readings and assignments. The course is taught in American Sign Language. Arts & Sciences Elective Code: A  
*Hours per week:* 4.0 lecture

*Prerequisite:* Take ASL-171.

## ASL-281 American Sign Language IV (4)

Focuses on the advanced development of language and conversational skills in American Sign Language. Expands vocabulary and grammatical knowledge at an advanced level, further strengthening comprehension and production skills. Explains advanced complex discourse skills while engaging in meaningful and detailed extended dialogues, providing skills to explain rules, provide facts, and engage in storytelling forms. Continues exploring and increasing awareness of Deaf culture through readings and assignments. The course is taught in American Sign Language. Arts & Sciences Elective Code: A  
*Hours per week:* 4.0 lecture

*Prerequisite:* Take ASL-245.

## ASL-924 Honors Project (1)

Allows a qualified honors student to pursue a special concentration of study under the guidance of a faculty member. Requires completion of an honors project contract. May be taken more than once. Arts & Sciences Elective Code: A; Comments: Requires approval of supervising professor and dean

*Hours per week:* 1.0 lecture

## ASL-928 Independent Study (1-3)

Allows the student to do readings, papers, research /or other projects under the individual guidance of a staff member. Independent study contract required. Arts & Sciences Elective Code: A; Comments: Requires approval of supervising professor and dean

*Hours per week:* 2.0 lab