SIGN LANGUAGE

SIGN 1101
American Sign Language I
3 Credit Hours
Students are provided an introduction to American Sign Language. Sign comprehension, production, grammar, non-verbal communication techniques, and applicable vocabulary will be emphasized throughout the course. Deaf Culture and fingerspelling will also be introduced. American Sign Language I is designed for students with no experience with American Sign Language. (3 lecture hours)

SIGN 1102
American Sign Language II
3 Credit Hours
ASL II builds on vocabulary and further develops language comprehension and grammatical structure, acquired from ASL I, continuing with language comprehension and production skills at a complex level. Deaf Culture will be incorporated into language use. Prerequisite: Sign 1101 with a grade of C or better, or equivalent or consent of instructor. (3 lecture hours)

SIGN 1103
Fingerspelling and Numbers
3 Credit Hours
An introduction to a manual depiction of the alphabet and numbering system in American Sign Language. Emphasis is on development of hand shape, basic word patterns, rhythm and fluidity. Additional focus is placed on fingerspelled loan signs and the ASL numbering system. (3 lecture hours)

SIGN 1104
Culture of the Deaf Community
3 Credit Hours
Introduction to the Deaf community from a cultural perspective. Discussions include advancement of the Deaf community in terms of culture, arts, language, self-image, and literature. Prerequisite: Sign 1101 with a grade of C or better, or equivalent or consent of instructor. (3 lecture hours)

SIGN 2101
American Sign Language III
3 Credit Hours
Students will develop proficiency in the structure of ASL grammar, fingerspelling, numbering systems, and visual-gestural communication. Discussions will include expressive and receptive skills that are necessary for complex dialogue and storytelling. Students are required to attend Deaf events and develop contacts within the Deaf community. Prerequisite: Sign 1102 with a grade of C or better, or equivalent and Sign 1104 with a grade of C or better, or equivalent or consent of instructor. (3 lecture hours)

SIGN 2102
Linguistics of ASL
3 Credit Hours
Students will explore syntax, morphology, phonology, and semantics of American Sign Language (ASL). This class is beneficial for students who want to become an Interpreter or work within the Deaf community. Prerequisite: Sign 2101 with a grade of C or better, or equivalent or consent of instructor. (3 lecture hours)

SIGN 2103
American Sign Language IV
3 Credit Hours
In this continuation of ASL III, students will examine the structure of American Sign Language (ASL) grammar and complex conversational dynamics. Fingerspelling, numbers, and visual-gestural aspects will be further explored. Prerequisite: Sign 2101 with a grade of C or better, or equivalent and Sign 2102 with a grade of C or better, or equivalent or consent of instructor. (3 lecture hours)