

**AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETING PROGRAM**
**AAS DEGREE**

The **American Sign Language Interpreter degree** will prepare students for a career working as a sign language interpreter for people who are Deaf and hard of hearing. This degree combines both the 21 credit hour certificate of American Sign Language proficiency as well as the 24 credit hour certificate in American Sign Language Interpreting and provides instruction in communication models and processes of American Sign Language, Deaf culture, interpreting skills, ethical understanding, and hands-on training in oral and manual interpreting in a wide range of situations. This degree also requires completion of 19 to 22 general education credit hours. Successful completion of this program will prepare students for certification examinations conducted by the State of Illinois and national accrediting agencies. This degree requires a minimum of 64 credits in program requirements and general education in the courses listed below.

**Field of Study Code: ASLI.AAS**

<b>Program Requirements</b> .....	<b>45</b>
Sign 1101 American Sign Language I .....	3
Sign 1102 American Sign Language II .....	3
Sign 1103 Fingerspelling and Numbers.....	3
Sign 1104 Cultural Perspective of the Deaf Community .....	3
Sign 2101 American Sign Language III .....	3
Sign 2102 Linguistics and Grammatical Aspects of American Sign Language .....	3
Sign 2103 American Sign Language IV .....	3
Intp 2104 Introduction to American Sign Language Interpreting and Ethics.....	3
Intp 2105 ASL/English Skills Development .....	4
Intp 2106 Cognitive Processing ASL/English.....	4
Intp 2107 Translating from ASL to English/ English to ASL .....	4
Intp 2108 Consecutive and Simultaneous Interpreting..	4
Intp 2109 Educational Interpreting and Translating.	3
Intp 2110 American Sign Language Interpreter Practicum .....	2

**General Education** ..... **19 to 22**  
(In addition to the courses listed above.)

**Total Credits Required**..... **64 to 68**

**CERTIFICATE**

The **American Sign Language certificate** provides the language and cultural foundation for competency in American Sign Language as well as preparation for the certificate in American Sign Language Interpreting. Students who successfully complete this certificate may apply for selective enrollment in the American Sign Language Interpreting Certificate. This certificate requires 21 credits in the courses listed below.

**Field of Study Code: ASLI.CER.SIGN**

<b>Total Credits Required</b> .....	<b>21</b>
Sign 1101 American Sign Language I .....	3
Sign 1102 American Sign Language II .....	3
Sign 1103 Fingerspelling and Numbers .....	3
Sign 1104 Cultural Perspective of the Deaf Community .....	3
Sign 2101 American Sign Language III .....	3
Sign 2102 Linguistics and Grammatical Aspects of American Sign Language .....	3
Sign 2103 American Sign Language IV .....	3

**CERTIFICATE**

The **American Sign Language Interpreting certificate** provides instruction in communication models and processes of American Sign Language, Deaf culture, interpreting skills, ethical understanding, and hands-on training in oral and manual interpreting in a wide range of situations. Successful completion of this certificate or degree program will prepare students for certification examinations conducted by the State of Illinois and national accrediting agencies. This certificate requires 24 credits in the courses listed below.

**Field of Study Code: ASLI.CER.INTP**

<b>Total Credits Required</b> .....	<b>24</b>
Intp 2104 Introduction to American Sign Language Interpreting and Ethics .....	3
Intp 2105 ASL/English Skills Development .....	4
Intp 2106 Cognitive Processing ASL/English.....	4
Intp 2107 Translating from ASL to English/ English to ASL.....	4
Intp 2108 Consecutive and Simultaneous Interpreting..	4
Intp 2109 Educational Interpreting and Translating.	3
Intp 2110 American Sign Language Interpreter Practicum .....	2