SIGN LANGUAGE (SIGN)

SIGN 101. Elementary American Sign Language I. .5 Credits.

Offered Fall Semester Only; Lecture hours:2, Recitation:1

An introduction to American Sign Language (ASL) and the Deaf culture. Students with little or no prior knowledge of ASL will acquire essential grammar rules and a variety of vocabulary, enabling them to communicate effectively with the Deaf Community. Topics covered include finger-spelling, grammar, culture awareness, with an emphasis on expressive and receptive abilities.

SIGN 101A. Intensive Elementary American Sign Language. 1 Credit.

Offered Spring Semester Only; Lecture hours:4, Recitation:1

This intensive course covers the fundamentals of SIGN101 and SIGN102 in one semester. Students will expand their vocabulary with a wider range of essential signs while enhancing expressive and receptive skills, learning cultural protocols and the rules of ASL grammar and structure.

SIGN 102. Elementary American Sign Language II. .5 Credits.

Offered Spring Semester Only; Lecture hours:2,Recitation:1

Building upon the foundations established in SIGN 101, students will continue to expand their vocabulary while enhancing expressive and receptive skills, by incorporating more complex grammatical structures and engaging in advanced ASL dialogues. Prerequisite: SIGN 101 or equivalent.

SIGN 201. Intermediate American Sign Language. .5 Credits.

Offered Fall Semester Only; Lecture hours:2, Recitation:1

This course explores more complex grammatical structures, advanced classifiers, dialogues and storytelling techniques. It also examines social factors that influence cultural and sign variations and the cultural evolution throughout the Deaf community. Prerequisite: SIGN 101A or SIGN 102.