

American Sign Language Interpreting AA

(Associate GE Track)

+If you have completed coursework at another college and/or are starting in a semester other than a Fall term, please follow up with the Counseling Department to determine if this sequence is appropriate for your academic and career goals.

Program Description: The American Sign Language Interpreting program is a comprehensive two-year program designed to award students with an Associate in Arts degree in American Sign Language Interpreting. The degree will provide students with transfer opportunities to a four-year college or university as well as equip them with the necessary skills for entry-level positions within the field of interpreting. Students may take American Sign Language courses to satisfy transfer General Education Language requirements (based on transfer school). They may also take the courses for pleasure or practical usage in communication with the deaf community, as well as to prepare for a profession that will require communication competence in the language. Enrollment in the courses will provide students with opportunities to develop their linguistic skills as well as their cultural awareness.

Program SLO: Demonstrate proficiency in the core skills and knowledge required for employment as an interpreter.

Important Transfer Information: The sequence listed below, may not meet all your transfer admissions requirements. Connect with a counselor to develop an individual student education plan through the Counseling Department @ <https://www.canyons.edu/counseling> or (661) 362-3288/(661) 362-3822.

*Major courses are sequenced and **BOLDED** based on recommendations by the [Sign Language Department](#). This pathway is mapped with assumption that prerequisites of SIGN 101 (FA, WI, SP, SU) and 102 (FA, SP, SU) have been completed.

First Semester (2-15 units minimum)

FA = Fall; WI = Winter; SP = Spring; SU = Summer

Course	Title	Units	Major and GE Courses
*SIGN 103	American Sign Language III (FA, SP)- *prerequisite note above is important to read	4	Major Course and Area C
SIGN 110	American Deaf Culture (FA, SU)	3	Major Course and Diversity
Math Competency	Any 100-level math course (FA, WI, SP, SU)	3-5	Area 3 and DII
American Institutions - Choose Option I or II	Complete first course in chosen option – (note: must take both classes within one option) (FA, WI, SP, SU)	3	American Institutions – Area E
PE/Wellness	Take two of any KPEA or Dance activity classes (except Dance 100) or Health 100, 149, 150, 243 (FA, WI, SP, SU)	2-3	Area F
Term Total:		15-18	

Check the Honors website for most recent course offerings. Must be enrolled in the Honors program to take courses - see below

Second Semester (16-32 units minimum)

Course	Title	Units	Recommendations
SIGN 104	American Sign Language IV (FA, SP)	4	Major Course
SIGN 112	Interpreting: Principles & Practices (SP)	3	Major Course
ENGLISH 101/101H	English Composition (FA, WI, SP, SU)	4	Area DI
Social Science Course	Choose one course from the Associate GE Area B (FA, WI, SP, SU)	3	Area B
Natural Science	Choose once course from the Associate GE Area A (FA, WI, SP, SU)	3	Area A
Term Total:		17	

Third Semester (33-47 units minimum)

Course	Title	Units	Recommendations
SIGN 200	Specialized Signs & Settings (FA)	3	Major Course
SIGN 201	Interpreting I (FA)	3	Major Course
SIGN 202	Transliterating I (FA)	3	Major Course
SIGN 203	Sign to English Interpreting/Transliterating I (FA)	3	Major Course
American Institutions	Complete second course in chosen option – (note: must take both classes within one option) (FA, WI, SP, SU)	3	American Institutions – Area E
Term Total:		15	

Fourth Semester (48- 62 units minimum) – may not need all elective units if already have finished 60 units and major requirement courses

Course	Title	Units	Recommendations
SIGN 204	Interpreting II (SP)	3	Major Course
SIGN 205	Transliterating II (SP)	3	Major Course
SIGN 206	Sign to English Interpreting/Transliterating II (SP)	3	Major Course
CWE 186-SIGN or CWE 188-SIGN	Sign Language Work Experience (FA, SP)	1	Major Course
Group 1	Choose any course listed in Group 1, listed below (FA, SP, SU)	2-4	Major Course
Associate Elective	Choose one course that is 100-level or above (FA, WI, SP, SU)	3	Elective-if not yet at 60 units
Term Total:		15+	

Total Units: 62+

Group 1 – Need one course completed for this area (2-3 units)

ENGL 111	Introduction to Linguistics (FA, SP)	3
SIGN 111	Fingerspelling (Varies)	2
SIGN 113	Creative Uses of Sign (FA)	3
SIGN 114	Working and Socializing with People Who are Deaf-Blind (SP)	4

American Institutions Requirement – Select one of the options below and complete a total of 6 units

Option 1	One course from the following: Economics 170/170H, History 111/111H, History 112/112H, History 120/120H, or History 130 AND Political Science 150/150H (FA, WI, SP, SU)
Option 2	History 111/111H AND History 112/112H (FA, WI, SP, SU)

Counseling Resources

Sign Language Department <https://www.canyons.edu/signlanguage>

Associate General Education Guide:

https://www.canyons.edu/_resources/documents/student-services/counseling/top10/AssociateDegreeRequirements20192020.pdf

American Sign Language Club: aslclubcoc@gmail.com

COC Honors Program: <https://www.canyons.edu/academics/honors/index.php>

Career Resources

California Career Zone: www.californiacareerzone.com

O*Net Online: www.onetonline.com

Bureau of Labor and Statistics: www.bls.gov

Professional Associations: www.rid.org; www.interpretereducation.org