# AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE (ASL)

### ASL 101 - American Sign Language I Credit Hours: 4, Contact Hours: 4

**Division: Communications** 

ASL 101 introduces students to the language and culture of Deaf people in the United States and most of Canada. This course will focus on building vocabulary and dialogue structures needed for introductory conversations about purposeful topics, the use of non-manual grammatical markers such as facial expression, use of fingers spelling and numbers, and an introduction to the rich history and culture of the Deaf community. Students will participate in interactive classroom activities using a "voices off" policy to ensure ASL immersion. Group 2 course. Communications - Direct, Critical Thinking - Direct, Degree Req:Cultural Persp/Div.

Recommended Prerequisites: Students will be required to communicate in sign language; need a minimal amount of technological knowledge and skill to take advantage of outside-of-class requirements; need to be able to play a course-required DVD; and need internet access as much of the course is supported by Moodle.

#### ASL 102 - American Sign Language II Credit Hours: 4, Contact Hours: 4

**Division: Communications** 

ASL 102 furthers student knowledge and experience of the language and culture of Deaf people in the United States and most of Canada. The introduction of additional vocabulary and grammar structures furthers students' ability to communicate meaningfully with ASL users. Students will develop greater insight into the Deaf culture through the context of ASL literature and current topics relevant to the Deaf community are explored. "Voice off" policy is used for more extended periods of time. While developing communication skills, students will simultaneously mature in their understanding of the Deaf experience. Group 2 course. Communications - Direct, Critical Thinking - Direct, Degree Req:Cultural Persp/Div.

Required Prerequisites: ASL 101 or instructor permission
Recommended Prerequisites: Students will be required to communicate
in sign language; need a minimal amount of technological knowledge and
skill to take advantage of outside-of-class requirements; need to be able
to play a course-required DVD; and need internet access as much of the
course is supported by Moodle.

#### ASL 103 - American Sign Language III Credit Hours: 4, Contact Hours: 4

**Division: Communications** 

ASL 103 is a continuation of ASL 101 and ASL 102, expanding the emphasis on ASL grammar, vocabulary development, and Deaf culture. Dialogue, short stories, narratives, and short conversation, both receptive and expressive, will be featured throughout the course. Meaningful conversational topic development is emphasized. Group 2 course. Communications - Direct, Critical Thinking - Direct, Degree Req:Cultural Persp/Div.

Required Prerequisites: ASL 102 or instructor permission Recommended Prerequisites: Students will be required to communicate in sign language; need a minimal amount of technological knowledge and skill to take advantage of outside-of-class requirements; need to be able to play a course-required DVD; and need internet access as much of the course is supported by Moodle.

## ASL 104 - American Sign Language IV Credit Hours: 4, Contact Hours: 4

**Division: Communications** 

ASL 104 is a continuation of ASL 101, ASL 102, and ASL 103. Students will further develop ASL grammar, vocabulary development, and Deaf culture. Dialogue, short stories, narratives, and short conversation, both receptive and expressive, will be featured through the course. Meaningful conversational topic development is emphasized. Group 2 course. Communications - Direct, Critical Thinking - Direct, Degree Req:Cultural Persp/Div.

Required Prerequisites: ASL 103 or instructor permission Recommended Prerequisites: Students will be required to communicate in sign language; need a minimal amount of technological knowledge and skill to take advantage of outside-of-class requirements; need to be able to play a course-required DVD; and need internet access as much of the course is supported by Moodle.