AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE (ASL)

ASL 1 4 units
American Sign Language 1
72 hours lecture, 18 hours laboratory
Grading: letter grade or pass/no pass.
Formerly SIGN 1 and SIGN 1B. This course is an introduction to the fundamentals of American Sign Language and Deaf culture. It includes development of appropriate linguistic/cultural behaviors and awareness of and respect for Deaf culture.
Transferable to both UC and CSU; see counselor for limitations

ASL 2 4 units
American Sign Language 2
72 hours lecture, 18 hours laboratory
Prerequisite: ASL 1 or SIGN 1 or SIGN 1B.
Grading: letter grade or pass/no pass.
Formerly SIGN 2 and SIGN 2B. This course is an advanced-beginning American Sign Language class. It includes receptive and expressive conversational skills without voice, grammatical structures of American Sign Language, development of appropriate linguistic/cultural behaviors, and awareness of and respect for Deaf culture.
Transferable to both UC and CSU; see counselor for limitations

ASL 3 4 units
American Sign Language 3
72 hours lecture, 18 hours laboratory
Prerequisite: ASL 2 or SIGN 2 or SIGN 2B.
Grading: letter grade or pass/no pass.
Formerly SIGN 3. This course is a low-to-mid intermediate-level American Sign Language and Deaf culture class focusing on receptive and expressive conversational skills without voice, using manual and nonmanual, spatial, and temporal grammatical structures. Further study of vocabulary, structure, and narrative techniques will help students develop language fluency to discuss abstract ideas and environments outside the classroom.
Transferable to both UC and CSU; see counselor for limitations

ASL 4 4 units
American Sign Language 4
72 hours lecture, 18 hours laboratory
Prerequisite: ASL 3 or SIGN 3.
Grading: letter grade or pass/no pass.
Formerly SIGN 4.This course is a mid-to-high intermediate-level ASL class focusing on receptive and expressive ASL skills without voice, using manual and non-manual, spatial, and temporal grammatical structures, and Deaf culture. This course provides an expanded review of ASL vocabulary, syntactical structures, grammatical patterns and current linguistic research and will help students develop language fluency at the advanced level.
Transferable to both UC and CSU; see counselor for limitations

ASL 24 3 units
American Deaf Cultures
54 hours lecture
Grading: letter grade.
Formerly SIGN 24. This course will explore the experiences of Deaf people in the United States. This course will foster the investigation of the issues of language, consciousness, cultures, self-representation, identity, and social construction within and between Deaf groups. Focus will be on cultural oppression, power, contributions of folklore, literature, plays, Deaf art, and the impact of modern technology on multiple discourses of Deaf cultures within America.
Transferable to both UC and CSU; see counselor for limitations