

Modern Language-Sign Language

MLSL 101 Beginning American Sign Language I

3 credits

Attributes: HU LA ML

This course initiates the development of the ability to sign and understand American Sign Language. Students learn the fundamentals of grammar, basic vocabulary, and correct signing. Cultural aspects of the Deaf community are discussed. This is a beginning-level course designed for students with no previous experience or with no more than one year of study in American Sign Language at the high school level.

MLSL 102 Beginning American Sign Language II

3 credits

Attributes: HU LA ML

This course is a continuation of MLSL 101 Beginning American Sign Language I. Emphasis is on the continued development of communication skills and face and body expressions. Students continue to acquire grammar, syntax, and vocabulary, which enhances their ability to initiate and sustain conversations using American Sign Language. Cultural aspects of the Deaf community are explored. The Modern Languages Department recommends this course to students with one to two years of previous study of American Sign Language at the high school level or one semester at the college level.

Prerequisite: MLSL 101 Beginning American Sign Language I; or departmental approval.

MLSL 400 Special Study in Sign Language

1 credit

Attributes: HU LA

This course involves independent work on a selected topic under the direction of members of the Modern Languages Department. Limited to two courses per student.

Prerequisite: approval of the Department Chair and Division Dean.