

Program Map

American Sign Language Studies

Certificate: American Sign Language Studies Level 1 (C1)



Program Description: This certificate includes ASL I-IV and a class on Visual/Gestural Communication. It provides a thorough knowledge of ASL and is designed for students in other majors (e.g. Pharmacy Tech) who might use ASL to communicate as part of their job.

Courses in this Level I (C1) certificate are prerequisite for the Level II (C2) Certificte in Interpreter Training and for the Associate of Applied Science (AAS) in Interpreter Training.

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> **Department Website** www.austincc.edu/info/sign/

Use this **Program Map** to choose courses with your college advisor and track your progress towards milestones and completion of program.

Pre-Degree Requirements			
Mathematics Placement Placements based on TSI	Reading and Writing Placement Placements based on TSI	Program Specific	
asic Math Skills 2x – ALEKS Sequence 85 – Developing Mathematical Thinking e for MATH-1314/1324 Elementary Algebra Intermediate Algebra 70 and 0390 to prepare for MATH-	 □ Basic Developmental Courses □ ESOL Courses INRW Courses 		
	SEMESTER-BY-SEMESTER PROGRAM	 	

Semester 1	CR	Advising Notes
SGNL 1401 - American Sign Language (ASL) I	4	
	4	Program Semester Hours / Meet with your advisor
Semester 2		
SLNG 1315 - Visual/Gestural Communication	3	
SGNL 1402 - American Sign Language (ASL) II	4	
	7	Program Semester Hours / Meet with your advisor
Semester 3		
SGNL 2301 - American Sign Language (ASL) III	3	
SGNL 2302 - American Sign Language (ASL) IV	3	Capstone Course ACHIEVEMENT: Completion of Certificate
	6	Program Semester Hours
Total Program Hours	17	

Career & Transfer Resources

ACC's Career & Transfer websites provide detailed, guided information on career exploration and transfer. www.austincc.edu/career

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For further information regarding this specific program, please see the Career & Transfer Resources supplement provided in the next section of this Program Map.

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Career Information

This pathway provides students with the skills that local employers need in the American Sign Language field. This program prepares students for jobs such as teacher's aide and other jobs requiring interaction in ASL with deaf people.

Common Job Titles

Interpreters and Translators (includes Court Interpreter, Deaf Interpreter, Educational Interpreter, Interpreter, Medical Interpreter, Paraprofessional Interpreter, Sign Language Interpreter)

Regional Labor Market Information

Interpreters and Translators: New workers generally start around \$36,016. Normal pay for Interpreters and Translators is \$60,506 per year, while highly experienced workers can earn as much as \$83,370. Over the last year, 35 companies have posted 514 jobs for Interpreters and Translators in this region. There are currently 660 Interpreters and Translators that are employed in Austin-Round Rock, TX.

Source: https://austincc.emsicc.com/careers/interpreter-and-translator

Career and labor market research tools (see Quick Reference Guide at http://www.austincc.edu/career): EMSI: https://austincc.emsicc.com/, Bureau of Labor Statistics: https://www.onetonline.org/

Career Resources: ACC's career services website provides information on career exploration and employment at http://www.austincc.edu/career. Students are encouraged to consult with their area of study advisor for additional career assistance. The above information is provided as a guide and reference tool for occupations related to this program. This is not a guarantee of job placement in any of these occupations after successful completion of an ACC program. The common job titles listed are representative titles and are provided for career research. These are not the only occupations possible in this area of study.

Transfer Information

The Level 1 Certificate in American Sign Language Studies is designed for students in other majors who might use ASL to communicate as part of their job. Students can apply these courses to the pre-degree requirements of ACC's Associate of Applied Science in Interpreter Training. These courses may transfer to a 4-year institution.

Transfer Guides: The universities listed here do not constitute an ACC endorsement. Transfer course evaluations and determination of what courses will count toward a bachelor's degree are made by the receiving transfer institution.

Gallaudet University has established collaborative agreements with Austin Community College to boost educational opportunities for future sign language interpreters. The partnership allows students in the two-year Associate of Applied Science degree in Interpreter Training program at ACC to transfer credits into Gallaudet's four-year Bachelor of Arts in Interpretation (BAI) program: http://www.gallaudet.edu/interpretation.html

Texas State University (BAAS): http://www.owls.txstate.edu/undergraduate-degrees/applied-arts-sciences.html

Additional Transfer Resources: ACC's transfer website provides information on additional colleges & universities: http://www.austincc.edu/transferguides. Students are encouraged to consult with a faculty advisor, area of study advisor, and/or their chosen transfer institution to ensure courses taken at ACC will apply toward their bachelor's degree program.

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