

# American Sign Language, Minor

## Requirements

The undergraduate minor in American Sign Language (ASL) requires 17 s.h. of ASL coursework, including 12 s.h. in advanced courses numbered 2500 or above taken at the University of Iowa. Students must maintain a g.p.a. of at least 2.00 in all courses for the minor and in all UI courses for the minor. Coursework in the minor may not be taken pass/nonpass.

The minor must include ASL:2002 American Sign Language IV or demonstrated equivalent proficiency. Only one American Sign Language in English course (prefix ASLE) may be applied to the minor in ASL; if students choose to apply an ASLE course toward the minor, it must be taken for 4 s.h. All ASLE courses are taught in English.

The following checkpoints list the minimum requirements students must complete by certain semesters in order to stay on track to graduate in the typical four-year time frame to meet requirements for the ASL minor:

- before the third semester begins, students should have completed ASL:1001 American Sign Language I (this course should be taken as early as possible); and
- before the sixth semester begins, students should have completed ASL:2002 American Sign Language IV.

The minor in American Sign Language requires the following coursework.

Code	Title	Hours
This course:		
ASL:2002	American Sign Language IV	5
At least 12 s.h. from these:		
ASL:3001	American Sign Language V	4
ASL:3100	American Sign Language Conversation	3
ASL:3200	Topics in Deaf Studies	3
ASL:3300	American Deaf Culture	3
ASL:3400	Issues in ASL and Deaf Studies	3
ASL:3500	Deafness in the Media	3
ASL:3600	American Sign Language Literature	3
ASL:3700	Deaf Gain: Reframing Deaf People, Cultures, and Languages	3
ASL:4201/ HIST:4201	History of the American Deaf Community	3-4
ASLE:2500	Introduction to Interpreting	4
ASLE:3905/ EDTL:3905	Teaching Deaf and Hard of Hearing Students	4

## Academic Plans

### Sample Plan of Study

Sample plans represent one way to complete a program of study. Actual course selection and sequence will vary and

should be discussed with an academic advisor. For additional sample plans, see MyUI.

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Course	Title	Hours
<b>Academic Career</b>		
<b>Any Semester</b>		
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<b>Hours</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>First Year</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
ASL:1001	American Sign Language I <sup>a, b</sup>	5
<b>Hours</b>		<b>5</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
ASL:1002	American Sign Language II <sup>a, b</sup>	5
<b>Hours</b>		<b>5</b>
<b>Second Year</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
ASL:2001	American Sign Language III <sup>a, b</sup>	5
<b>Hours</b>		<b>5</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
ASL:2002	American Sign Language IV <sup>b, c</sup>	5
<b>Hours</b>		<b>5</b>
<b>Third Year</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
Minor: ASL elective <sup>d, e</sup>		3 - 4
<b>Hours</b>		<b>3-4</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
Minor: ASL elective <sup>d, e</sup>		3 - 4
<b>Hours</b>		<b>3-4</b>
<b>Fourth Year</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
Minor: ASL elective <sup>d, e</sup>		3 - 4
<b>Hours</b>		<b>3-4</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
Minor: ASL elective <sup>d, e</sup>		3 - 4
<b>Hours</b>		<b>3-4</b>
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>32-36</b>

a This course is a prerequisite for the required minor courses.

b Language level placement will be determined by placement exam score and/or interview. Students who place into the 5th semester level of the language will begin coursework at that level and will not be required to take semesters 1-4 of the language.

c Minor must include ASL:2002 or demonstrated equivalent proficiency.

d Choose from: ASL:3001, ASL:3100, ASL:3200, ASL:3300, ASL:3400, ASL:3500, ASL:3600, ASL:3700, ASL:4201/HIST:4201, ASLE:2500, ASLE:3905/EDTL:3905.

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