

# ASSOCIATE OF ARTS IN AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE (AA)

This degree prepares students for entry-level employment and/or potential further study in the field of American Sign Language through the study of signing and interpreting, language and Deaf culture. Students will acquire skills and abilities in American Sign Language and an understanding of Deaf culture.

## Program Outcomes

- Sign effectively and fluently, using the parameters of ASL.
- Demonstrate proficient receptive skills when using ASL.
- Be familiar with Deaf culture and be able to articulate its basic history.

## Career Opportunities

Upon successful completion of this degree, students will be prepared for careers or employment in the following fields: entry-level interpreting, classroom aid, Deaf student aid, advocacy for Deaf culture.

## Note

This degree is not designed for transfer; however, the courses included in this degree may be transferable and apply to other degrees designed for transfer.

## Program Requirements

| Code   | Title   | Units |
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| GENERAL EDUCATION AND SUBJECT REQUIREMENTS                                     |   | 25    |
| College of the Sequoias' Associate Degree General Education (COS-GE) *         |   |       |
| +  |   |       |
| REQUIRED MAJOR COURSES   |   | 15    |
| ASL 002  | American Sign Language 2 *                          | 3     |
| ASL 003  | American Sign Language 3                            | 3     |
| ASL 004  | American Sign Language 4                            | 3     |
| ASL 005  | Deaf Culture  | 3     |
| ASL 006  | Deaf Literature                                     | 3     |
| +  |   |       |
| RESTRICTED ELECTIVES   |   | 10-12 |
| Select three of the following courses:   |   |       |
| ASL 001  | American Sign Language 1                            | 4     |
| ASL 110  | Introduction to American Sign Language Interpreting | 4     |
| COMM 009   | Intercultural Communication *                       | 3     |
| DRAM 002   | Fundamentals of Acting 1                            | 4     |
| SOC 001  | Introduction to Sociology *                         | 3     |
| +  |   |       |
| ELECTIVES  |   | 11-16 |
| Select additional degree applicable courses numbered 1-299 to achieve 60 units |   |       |

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| = | TOTAL | 60 |
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\* Courses meet General Education requirements and 6 unit may double count in COS-GE.

The Associate Degree requirements include completion of the:

1. Required major courses and restricted elective courses with a "C" or better grade in each course (required and restricted elective courses may be substituted with the approval of the Division Chair),
2. General Education requirements,
3. Subject requirements including PE, Health & Wellness, and American Institutions, and
4. A minimum of 60 units of degree applicable courses numbered 1-299, at least 12 of which must be taken in residence at College of the Sequoias, with a "C" (2.0) average (see Associate Degree Requirements (<https://catalog.cos.edu/associate-degree-requirements/>) for additional details).