

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE (B.A.) TEACHER CERTIFICATION CONCENTRATION

Degree: Bachelor of Arts

Major: American Sign Language

Concentration: Teacher Certification

Total Hours: 120

Vision Statement

DSDE, acclaimed as a pioneer and nationally recognized bilingual program in the field of Deaf Education and Deaf Studies, leads in innovation in education, research, and service to Deaf individuals.

Mission Statement

The department of Deaf Studies and Deaf Education (DSDE) cultivates and inspires students with research base innovative learning opportunities to become scholars, service providers, and advocates.

Program Learning Outcomes

Prepare confident candidates who can achieve state and/or national certification and enter the profession as a competent practitioner. Demonstrate competency in receptive and expressive skills through visual/gestural communication, register adaptation and linguistically competent communications. Demonstrate ASL discourse and pragmatic skills through authentic language experiences in a variety of forums and on a variety of topics. Foster an environment that encourages and supports students entering careers in the field or in graduate school.

Degree Information

Bachelor of Arts in American Sign Language with Teacher Certification

The bachelor's degree program in American Sign Language (ASL) prepares students for teaching in schools offering ASL for "foreign language" credit in an EC-12 program. Each student must complete a REQUIRED departmental core of courses. In addition, each student will complete the pedagogy courses required for licensure.

All students must satisfy provisions of the Texas Success Initiative program, which are listed elsewhere in this catalog. College Readiness courses do not count in the GPA (except for determining full-time status and issues related to probation and suspension) and do not count toward graduation.

Students completing the teacher certification track are required to meet the requirements for entrance into the teacher preparation program. Candidates for Clinical Teaching must pass the Lamar University Professional Roles and Responsibilities (PPR) and the TExES 184 prior to beginning Clinical Teaching

Code	Title	Hours
General Education Core Curriculum		
<i>Communication</i>		
ENGL 1301	Composition I	3
DSDE 1371	ASL I	3
<i>Mathematics</i>		
MATH 1332	Contemporary Mathematics I	3
<i>Life and Physical Sciences</i>		
Select two of the following:		6
BIOL 1308	General Biology (Non-Science Majors)	
BIOL 1315	Plants and Human Society (Non-Majors)	
BIOL 2306	Environmental Science	
CHEM 1306	Chemistry for Allied Health Sciences	
CHEM 1308	Biochemistry for Allied Health Sciences	
CHEM 1311	General Chemistry I	
CHEM 1312	General Chemistry II	
GEOL 1390	Introductory Environmental & Physical Geology	
PHYS 1305	Elementary Physics I Lecture	
PHYS 1307	Elementary Physics II Lecture	
PHYS 1311	Introduction to Astronomy Lecture	
SPSC 1301	Space Exploration	
<i>Language, Philosophy and Culture</i>		
Select one of the following:		3
ENGL 2300	Close Reading II	
ENGL 2322	British Literature	
ENGL 2326	American Literature	
ENGL 2331	World Literature	
ENGL 2376	African-American Literature	
PHIL 1370	Philosophy of Knowledge	
PHIL 2306	Ethics	
<i>Creative Arts</i>		
Select one of the following:		3
ARTS 1301	Art Appreciation	
ARTS 1303	Art History I	
COMM 1375	Film Appreciation	
COSC 1324	The Art of Computer Game Development	
DANC 2304	Dance Appreciation	
MUSI 1306	Music Appreciation	
MUSI 1309	Jazz History and Appreciation	
MUSI 1310	History of Rock and Roll	
PHIL 1330	Arts and Ideas	
THEA 1310	Theatre Appreciation	
<i>American History</i>		
Select two of the following:		6
HIST 1301	U S History I 1763-1877	
HIST 1302	U S History II Since 1877	
HIST 2301	Texas History	
<i>Government/Political Science</i>		
POLS 2301	Intro to American Government I	3
POLS 2302	Intro/American Government II	3
<i>Social and Behavioral Sciences</i>		
PSYC 2301	General Psychology	3

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<i>Component Area Option</i>		
ENGL 1302	Composition II	3
Complete any 3 unused hours from the core sections above		3

Required Major Courses

<i>DSDE Core</i>		
DSDE 1372	ASL II	3
DSDE 1374	Introduction to Deaf Studies	3
DSDE 1377	Introduction to Deaf Education	3
DSDE 1378	Intro to Interpreting	3
DSDE 2371	ASL III	3
DSDE 2372	American Sign Language IV	3
DSDE 2377	Intro to ASL Structure	3
DSDE 3301	American Sign Language V	3
DSDE 3302	ASL VI	3
DSDE 3307	ASL Literature	3
DSDE 4308	Teaching ASL as a Second Language	3
DSDE 4309	Practicum	3
DSDE 4310	Sign Langs & Sign Codes	3
DSDE 4311	ASL Linguistics	3
DSDE 4350	Problem & Projects (Linguistics)	3
DSDE Elective 3000-4000		3

Interpreting Core

Select two of the following:		6
DSDE 3303	Interpreting for Diverse Deaf Communities	
DSDE 4313	Interpreting Subjects at Secondary Schools	
DSDE 4350	Problem & Projects	

Teacher Education

PEDG 2310	Introduction to Teacher Education	3
PEDG 2342	Diversity of Learners	3
or PEDG 4355	Inclusion in the General Education Classroom	
PEDG 3300	Human Development and Learning	3
READ 3326	Content Area Reading	3
PEDG 3380	Secondary Curriculum and Methodology	3
PEDG 4340	Managing Early Childhood Classroom Environment	3
PEDG 4620	Clinical Teaching	6

Total Hours 120

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
Fall		
ENGL 1301	Composition I	3
DSDE 1371	ASL I	3
HIST 1301	U S History I 1763-1877	3
DSDE 1374	Introduction to Deaf Studies	3
MATH 1332	Contemporary Mathematics I	3
Hours		15
Spring		
ENGL 1302	Composition II	3
DSDE 1372	ASL II	3
HIST 1302	U S History II Since 1877	3
<i>Component Area Core</i>		3
DSDE 1377	Introduction to Deaf Education	3
Hours		15

Second Year

Fall		
DSDE 1378	Intro to Interpreting	3
DSDE 2371	ASL III	3
Lang, Phil and Culture		3
DSDE Elective 3000-4000		3
POLS 2301	Intro to American Government I	3
Hours		15

Spring

Creative Arts		3
DSDE 2372	American Sign Language IV	3
DSDE 4311	ASL Linguistics	3
PEDG 2310	Introduction to Teacher Education	3
POLS 2302	Intro/American Government II	3
Science		3
Hours		18

Third Year

Fall		
DSDE 3301	American Sign Language V	3
DSDE 3307	ASL Literature	3
DSDE 4350	Problem & Projects	3
PEDG 3300	Human Development and Learning	3
PSYC 2301	General Psychology	3
READ 3326	Content Area Reading	3
Hours		18

Spring

DSDE 3302	ASL VI	3
DSDE 4308	Teaching ASL as a Second Language	3
DSDE 4310	Sign Langs & Sign Codes	3
DSDE 4309	Practicum	3
DSDE Elective 3000-4000		3
Hours		15

Fourth Year

Fall		
DSDE	Elective 3000-4000	6
PEDG 2342	Diversity of Learners	3
or PEDG 4355	or Inclusion in the General Education Classroom	
PEDG 3380	Secondary Curriculum and Methodology	3
PEDG 4340	Managing Early Childhood Classroom Environment	3
Science		3
Hours		18

Spring

PEDG 4620	Clinical Teaching	6
Hours		6
Total Hours		120