



Basic Interpreting (Certificate)

Program Start Date: Fall and Spring terms

Minimum Program Length: 64 academic weeks; 4 terms, internet/online

Curriculum Code: 71002

Program Description

This certificate program gives foundational instruction in how to interpret between English and American Sign Language. Due to national certification requirements, students can enroll in this program only if they have previously earned a degree (any level). Students without a degree should enroll in the Associate in Arts Degree.

Practical Experience

Students gain field experience through observations and evaluation of professional interpreters and by participating in interpreting internships at local agencies and institutions.

Professional Opportunities

Students may work as entry-level interpreters for public and private agencies, and free-lance interpreters. This program also provides preparation for further educational opportunities.

Unique Aspects

The Certificate in Basic Interpreting is delivered online (Internet-based). Students must demonstrate proficiency in American Sign Language to be accepted into this program.

EEDA Career Cluster:

Education and Training

Course Requirements

Credits	Course Title	Course Code
3	ASL Linguistic Structure	ASL 210
3	Introduction to Interpreting	ITP 101
3	Interpreting in Educational Settings	ITP 104
3	Discourse Analysis	ITP 110
3	Translation	ITP 112
3	Deaf History and Culture	ITP 201
3	English to ASL Interpreting I	ITP 204
3	English to ASL Interpreting II	ITP 205
3	ASL to English Interpreting I	ITP 206
3	ASL to English Interpreting II	ITP 207
3	Interpreting in Special Settings	ITP 212
3	Business Practices for Interpreters	ITP 214
3	Interpreting Internship	ITP 240



Semester Display

First Semester

Course Code	Course Title	Credit Hours
ITP 101	Introduction to Interpreting	3
ITP 110	Discourse Analysis	3
ITP 112	Translation	3

Second Semester

Course Code	Course Title	Credit Hours
ASL 210	ASL Linguistic Structure	3
ITP 201	Deaf History and Culture	3
ITP 204	English to ASL Interpreting I	3
ITP 206	ASL to English Interpreting I	3

Third Semester

Course Code	Course Title	Credit Hours
ITP 205	English to ASL Interpreting II	3
ITP 207	ASL to English Interpreting II	3
ITP 212	Interpreting in Special Settings	3

Fourth Semester

Course Code	Course Title	Credit Hours
ITP 104	Interpreting in Educational Settings	3
ITP 214	Business Practices for Interpreting	3
ITP 240	Interpreting Internship	3

Total Credits 39

Program Learning Outcomes

Students will be able to:

1. Apply knowledge of linguistic, cultural, and academic interpreting theory in preparation for future certification.
2. Demonstrate competent ethical and cultural decision-making that considers clients, colleagues, and the profession of interpreting at-large.
3. Demonstrate entry-level competency in interpreting between ASL and English, both consecutively and simultaneously.
4. Analyze their work and formulate a plan for continuous improvement for continuing education and professional development.
5. Demonstrate their ability to speak publically, listen actively, and respond effectively.