

Minor in American Sign Language and Deaf Studies

About this Program

The Minor in ASL and Deaf Studies includes foundational courses that provide students with a solid background in the core areas of American Sign Language & Deaf culture, as well as elective options at the 3000 and 4000 level that allow students to tailor their program of study to meet their interests and academic and professional goals. Students will learn American Sign Language and about some of the most important characteristics of Deaf culture (literature, film, art, popular culture, history, etc.), and the relations between cultural production and the society, and the application of that knowledge to teaching, research, interpreting, and advocacy education, as well as other professions in the healthcare, business, and government sectors. The minor consists of 18 semester hours.

Competencies

1. Upon completion, students will demonstrate proficiency in receptive and expressive skills in American Sign Language (ASL) (communication skills, critical thinking skills).
2. Upon completion, students will demonstrate intercultural knowledge and competence in Deaf culture and members of the Deaf community (social responsibility, global competence, critical thinking skills).
3. Upon completion, students will demonstrate an understanding of course content knowledge (e.g., ASL linguistics, ASL literature, and Deaf culture and community) (disciplinary knowledge, global competence, critical thinking skills).
4. Upon completion, students will apply academic content and learned skills to real-world experiences by participating in experiential learning opportunities (social responsibility, career preparedness, critical thinking skills, communication skills, teamwork).

Curriculum

Core Courses

ASL 2313	INTERMEDIATE AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE I	3
ASL 2314	INTERMEDIATE AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE II	3

Electives

Select three from:		9
ASL 3301	AMERICAN DEAF CULTURE AND COMMUNITY	
ASL 3315	ADVANCED AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE	
ASL 3333	ASL DEPICTION	
ASL 4330	LINGUISTICS OF ASL	
Select one from:		3
MODL 3301	TOPICS IN COMPARATIVE LANGUAGES, CULTURE, AND LITERATURES	
HIST 3307	U.S. DISABILITY HISTORY	
SOCW 3307	DIVERSE POPULATIONS	
LING 3311	PRINCIPLES OF LINGUISTIC ANALYSIS	
COMS 3316	COMMUNICATION IN HUMAN RELATIONS	
KINE 3350	URBANIZATION AND VULNERABLE POPULATIONS	
KINE 3352	INTRODUCTION TO PUBLIC HEALTH EPIDEMIOLOGY	
COMM 4335	INTERCULTURAL COMMUNICATION	
GLOBAL 4312	INTERCULTURAL COMPETENCE FOR GLOBAL COMMUNICATION	

Total Hours		18
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Advising Resources

First time in college students will be advised by the AUEC.

New transfer students should email modladvisor@uta.edu before enrolling in classes at UTA.

Students with previous experience in one of the languages offered at UTA, must take a Placement Test. For more information, contact MODL Testing at modltesting@uta.edu or call 817-272-4605.

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