

# DEAF INTERPRETIVE SERVICES, ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE

This program provides students with knowledge in the area of deafness and Deaf Culture, as well as skills in American Sign Language (ASL), other sign language systems, methods of interpreting/transliterating and ethical aspects of the interpreting field. The curriculum is divided into two areas of study - Advanced American Sign Language and Interpreter Training. Sign Language courses will provide the knowledge of ASL as a foreign language and English-based sign systems, while DIS courses provide the interpreting/transliterating skills necessary for students to seek K-12 state licensure upon graduation and National Interpreter Certification (NIC) after gaining experience working as an interpreter. Graduates of the program may work as an interpreter in a myriad of community-based settings, specializing in the areas of medicine, business, vocational, educational and/or a variety of other settings. Graduates would be employed either as a freelance provider or an agency employee. Other career opportunities include video relay interpreting (VRS) and K-12 educational interpreting.

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## Program Learning Outcomes

This program is designed to prepare students to demonstrate the following learning outcomes:

1. Interpret in American Sign Language (ASL).
2. Transliterate in English-based sign systems.
3. Speak as native English user while interpreting for a person who is deaf.
4. Conduct yourself professionally and ethically according to the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (RID) Code of Professional Conduct.
5. Be eligible for K-12 state licensure from the Ohio Department of Education (ODE).
6. Possess the foundational knowledge and skill-based tools for the NAD-RID National Interpreting Certification (NIC) and understand the process for taking the exam.

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MATH-1140, MATH-1141, MATH-1200, MATH-1270, and MATH-1280 can no longer count towards fulfilling the college-level mathematics requirement. These courses were re-classified as developmental mathematics by the state of Ohio in 2016. Tri-C established a 5-year transitioning window for students who had completed these courses prior to 2016 to apply them towards meeting graduation requirements,

which expired in Summer 2021. It is highly recommended to see a counselor to determine the appropriate math required for your current major.

## Suggested Semester Sequence

First Semester		Credit Hours
ASL-1001	Fingerspelling	2
ASL-1100	Deaf Culture	3
DIS-1300	Interpreting Fundamentals	3
PHIL-1000	Critical Thinking	3
Select one of the following:		3
ENG-1010	College Composition I	
ENG-101H	Honors College Composition I	
Credit Hours		14
Second Semester		Credit Hours
ASL-1030	Classifiers/Depicting Verbs	2
ASL-2412	Advanced American Sign Language I	4
Select one of the following:		3
COMM-1010	Fundamentals of Speech Communication	
COMM-101H	Honors Speech Communication	
DIS-1310	Interpreting I	2
THEA-1500	Acting I	3
Credit Hours		14
Summer Session		Credit Hours
ASL-2420	Advanced American Sign Language II	4
DIS-2300	Transliterating	2
DIS-2310	Interpreting II	2
DIS-2320	Educational Interpreting	3
Credit Hours		11
Third Semester		Credit Hours
DIS-1402	American Sign Language Linguistics	3
DIS-1740	Field Experience Lab I	1
DIS-1940	Field Experience I	1
DIS-1971	Field Experience Seminar I	1
DIS-2410	Voicing	2
EDUC-1011	Introduction to Education	3
Select one of the following:		3
MA-1020	Medical Terminology I	
C&CR-1350		
Credit Hours		14
Fourth Semester		Credit Hours
DIS-2420	Advanced Voicing	2
DIS-2740	Field Experience Lab II <sup>1</sup>	1
DIS-2940	Field Experience II <sup>1</sup>	1
DIS-2971	Field Experience Seminar II	1
EDUC-1411	Individuals with Exceptionalities	3
MATH-1xxx	1000-level MATH course or higher	3
PE-1430	Physical Relaxation Techniques	1
Credit Hours		12
Total Credit Hours		65

<sup>1</sup> To satisfy the program requirements and earn the Associate of Applied Science degree, all students pursuing an AAS degree for Deaf Interpretive Services, are required to have earned a grade of a "C" or higher in DIS-2940 Field Experience II and its companion lab course, DIS-2740 Field Experience Lab II. Pass/No Pass grades will not be accepted.