



SCHOOL OF LIBERAL ARTS

INDIANA UNIVERSITY
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American Sign Language/ English Interpreting (ASL) Major

Increasing numbers of Deaf people seek the communicative access that interpreters provide, and this access is mandated by legislators, yet there is a shortage of qualified interpreters nationally and locally. IUPUI's American Sign Language (ASL)/English Interpreting Program is one of very few baccalaureate degree programs available in the country. It prepares students to become capable and flexible participants in the rewarding profession of interpreting.

The ASL/English Interpreting Program introduces students to the theory and practice of interpreting. It provides a strong foundation in language, culture, interpreting, and linguistics. Students develop their abilities in ASL and English, analyze features of ASL and English, discuss ethical issues, and perform guided practice with both simultaneous and consecutive interpreting. The combination of this background with a broad liberal arts education prepares students to enter the profession of interpreting, which serves diverse populations and encompasses a wide range of subjects and settings.

The **Bachelor of Science degree with a major in American Sign Language/ English Interpreting (ASL)** requires satisfactory completion of the following:

- Completion of general education and distribution requirements as indicated in the School of Liberal Arts section of the IUPUI bulletin that was current when the student declared a major in American Sign Language/ English Interpreting.
- Completion of a total of **24** credit hours at IUPUI, with a minimum grade of C in each course.
- The program is a continuation of the Associate of Arts degree in American Sign Language offered by Vincennes University at its regional campus in Indianapolis at the Indiana School for the Deaf. Besides the Associate's degree, **9** credit hours of the major must be completed at Vincennes University. The program is also open to students who demonstrate equivalent competency in ASL, Deaf culture, and linguistics.
- Enrollment in the interpreting classes is limited to students who have been admitted to the program or have received permission from the director.
- Interested students who have not completed the Vincennes University degree should contact the program director at IUPUI.

Major Requirements:

- _____ ASL-I 301: Introduction to Interpreting (3 cr.)
- _____ ASL-I 303: ASL for Interpreters (3 cr.)
- _____ ASL-I 361: Basic Interpreting Skills (3 cr.)
- _____ ASL-I 363: Interpreting Community Texts: Consecutive (3 cr.)
- _____ ASL-I 365: Interpreting Community Texts: Simultaneous (3 cr.)
- _____ ASL-I 405: Practicum (3 cr.)
- _____ ASL-L 340: Discourse Analysis: English (3 cr.)
- _____ ASL-L 342: Discourse Analysis: ASL (3 cr.)

- _____ Vincennes University classes (9 cr.)
 - American Sign Language Grammar
 - American Deaf Culture
 - Linguistic Structure of American Sign Language

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