



# Deaf Culture and American Sign Language Studies Certificate

**PART TIME**

This program roadmap represents one possible pathway to complete the program. **Please see a counselor** to create an education plan that is customized to meet your needs. This roadmap is not a guarantee of course availability or financial aid applicability.

**Catalog:** 2026-27

**Total Units:** 32.5

**Start Term:** Fall

## First Year

**Semester 1 (Fall) 7 Units**

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES
Req	DEAF 310 American Sign Language I	4	
Req	DEAF 351 Introduction to American Deaf Culture	3	

**Semester 2 (Spring) 7.5 Units**

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES
Req	DEAF 312 American Sign Language II	4	DEAF 310
Req	DEAF 320 Fingerspelling, Classifiers and Numbers	0.5	DEAF 310
Req	DEAF 352 Introduction to American Deaf Education	3	DEAF 351

## Second Year

**Semester 3 (Fall) 4 Units**

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES
Req	DEAF 314 American Sign Language III	4	DEAF 312

**Semester 4 (Spring) 7 Units**

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES
Req	DEAF 316 American Sign Language IV	4	DEAF 314
Req	DEAF 355 Audism and Inequality of the Deaf	3	DEAF 351

## Third Year

**Semester 5 (Fall) 7 Units**

## CAREER PATH

### Career Options:

This certificate prepares students for entry-level positions such as paraprofessional services in an individual or group setting, in an educational or social services agency which serves deaf clients.

### Scheduling Notes:

- DEAF 370 is offered in the fall.
- DEAF 352 and 355 are offered in the spring.
- All of the other DEAF courses are offered in both fall and spring.

### Other Notes:

This program can be started in the spring as well. See a counselor to adjust the coursework.

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES
RE	DEAF 318 American Sign Language V	4	DEAF 316
Req	DEAF 370 Linguistics of American Sign Language	3	DEAF 316

#### EXPLANATION OF CATEGORIES

Req	Required Core	A course that is required for this program
RE	Restricted Elective	A course selected from a list of elective courses specified for this program in the course list in the catalog, which can be replaced with another course from the same list

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