

# ASL-English Interpreter Preparation Program, A.A.S.

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The employment outlook for American Sign Language/English interpreters is promising. As the population grows, so does the need for interpreters. Another factor in the predicted increase in employment opportunities is the effort many social service agencies, school systems, medical services and industries are making to provide interpreting services.

JCCC's program concentrates on preparing students to provide entry-level interpretation and transliteration for the deaf, hard of hearing and non-deaf communities. During the last semester of the program, students participate in a practicum class in which they interpret under supervision in a variety of situations. Upon successful completion of this program, and a required capstone evaluation, students will earn an associate of applied science degree.

This is a selective admission program with limited enrollment. The deadline for fall semester applications is February 15th. If you are interested, contact the Admissions office for an application packet, which includes prerequisites, deadlines, admission requirements and academic criteria.

Students must earn a grade of "C" or higher in all coursework. (Major Code 216A; State CIP Code 16.1603)

- ASL-English Interpreter Training (<http://www.jccc.edu/academics/communications/asl-english-interpreting>)

## Associate of Applied Science Degree

### Prerequisites

ASL 120	Elementary American Sign Language I	0-3
NOTE: Must earn a "B" or higher in ASL 120 or ASL Proficiency Interview		
ASL 121	Elementary American Sign Language II*	0-3
NOTE: Must earn a "B" or higher in ASL 121 or ASL Proficiency Interview		
ENGL 121	Composition I*	3
NOTE: Must earn a "B" or higher in ENGL 121		
Total Hours		3-9

### General Education Requirements

Note: It is highly recommended that all general education requirements be taken prior to enrollment in the program or during the summer. However, AAC 150 should be taken in student's last semester due to course/career relevancy.

ANTH 125	Cultural Anthropology	3
NOTE: ANTH 125 is required to meet the Social Science and/or Economics Elective and must be taken before second semester of the ITP.		
SPD 120	Interpersonal Communication	3
NOTE: SPD 120 is required to meet the Communications Elective and must be taken before the second semester of the ITP.		
Humanities Elective <sup>^</sup>		3
Science and/or Math Elective <sup>^^</sup>		3
Health and/or Physical Education Elective <sup>^^^</sup>		1
Total Hours		13

<sup>^</sup> Humanities Elective (<http://catalog.jccc.edu/spring/degrecertificates/electives/humanities-aas>)

<sup>^^</sup> Science and/or Math Elective (<http://catalog.jccc.edu/spring/degrecertificates/electives/sci-and-or-math-aas>)

<sup>^^^</sup> Health and/or Physical Education Elective (<http://catalog.jccc.edu/spring/degrecertificates/electives/health-and-or-physical-ed-aas>)

### First Semester

INTR 122	Intermediate American Sign Language I*	3
INTR 126	Classifiers in American Sign Language*	2
INTR 130	Survey of the Interpreting Profession*	3
INTR 145	Introduction to the Deaf Community*	3
INTR 147	Fingerspelling I*	2
Total Hours		13

**Second Semester**

INTR 123	Intermediate American Sign Language II*	3
INTR 131	Interpreting Preparation Skills*	2
INTR 135	Intro to American Sign Language Linguistics*	3
INTR 242	Fingerspelling II*	2
INTR 248	Deaf Community Ethnography*	3
Total Hours		13

**Third Semester**

INTR 181	Interpreting Practicum I*	1
INTR 223	Advanced American Sign Language*	3
INTR 226	Specialized and Technical Vocabulary*	2
INTR 250	Interpreting I*	6
Total Hours		12

**Fourth Semester**

INTR 251	Interpreting II*	2
INTR 262	Seminar on Interpreting*	3
INTR 282	Interpreting Practicum II*	6
AAC 150	Job Search Skills	1
Total Hours		12

**Total Program Hours: 66-72**