

PROGRAM OF STUDY

Associate in Arts in Deaf Studies

The Associate in Arts in Deaf Studies program at Oxnard College prepares interested students for a multitude of careers working with Deaf and hard of hearing people by serving as a foundation for students planning to enter Bachelor's degree programs in Deaf Studies, ASL/English Interpretation, Deaf Education and social services, by providing the foundation needed in American Sign Language to pursue these programs at the university level. A series of four courses in the language and a Deaf Studies course comprise the core requisites of the degree, which can be completed in two years along with fulfillment of general education requirements. Field experiences embedded within the coursework provide a deeper exploration into the culture and history of the Deaf community, as well as the complex phonocentric and audist systems which marginalize and oppress deaf people in public spaces. This critical exploration will expand recognition of Deaf people as a unique cultural group and prepare students to effectively work with and engage deaf people in ways that support and empower the community.

Required Core Courses:		Units
ASL R101	American Sign Language 1	4
ASL R102	American Sign Language 2	4
ASL R103	American Sign Language 3	4
ASL R104	American Sign Language 4	4
ASL R110	Introduction to Deaf Studies	3

Total Required Major Units	19
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General Education courses and units and free elective units necessary to reach the 60 unit minimum required to earn the AA vary depending on the General Education pattern chosen. Below are the three GE options:

Using Oxnard College General Education pattern

Total Required Major units	= 19 units	
Oxnard College General Education pattern	= 29 units	
Double counted units	= -6 units	
Degree-applicable Elective units	=18 units	
	= 60 units required for the AA	

or

Using CSU GE-Breadth pattern

Total Required Major units	= 19 units	
CSU GE-Breadth	= 39 units	
Double counted units	= -9 units	
CSU Transferable Elective units	=11 units	
	= 60 units required for the AA	

or

Using IGETC pattern

Total Required Major units	= 19 units	
IGETC	= 37 units	
Double counted units	= -6 units	
CSU Transferable Elective units	=13 units	
	= 60 units required for the AA	