

Northern Virginia Community College 2008-2009 Catalog

**AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE—ENGLISH INTERPRETATION**

Associate of Applied Science Degree

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*Purpose:* Designed for students who have limited, if any, previous experience with interpreting for Deaf people, this degree program provides the comprehensive training in theory and practical interpreting skills necessary for employment as an educational or community interpreter. Successful completion of this program prepares the student to pursue either a Virginia Quality Assurance Screening Level or national certification through the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf. These credentials qualify the student to interpret in either educational or community settings.

*Admission Requirements:* The prerequisite for admission to the program is fluency in both English and American Sign Language. This is demonstrated by placement into ENG 111 and completion of the following courses with a grade of C or better: ASL 202: ASL IV or a program assessment, ASL 125: The History and Culture of the Deaf Community, and ASL 115: Fingerspelling and Number Use in ASL.

<b>Two Years</b>		<b>Credits</b>
<b>1st Semester</b>		
ASL	261 American Sign Language V	3
ENG	111 College Composition I	3
INT	105 Interpreting Foundations I	3
SDV	Elective	1
SPD	110 Introduction to Speech Communication	<u>3</u>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>2nd Semester</b>		
ASL	220 Comparative Linguistics: ASL and English	3
ASL	262 American Sign Language VI	3
INT	106 Interpreting Foundations II	3
INT	107 Translation Skills	3
<sup>1</sup> ___	Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	<u>3</u>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>3rd Semester (summer)</b>		
INT	141 Transliterating I	3
<sup>2</sup> PED	116 Lifetime Fitness and Wellness	<u>1</u>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>4th Semester</b>		
INT	130 Interpreting: An Introduction to the Profession	3
INT	133 ASL-to-English Interpretation I	3
INT	134 English-to-ASL Interpretation I	3
<sup>3</sup> ___	Math Elective	3
<sup>4</sup> ___	Approved Social Science Elective	<u>3</u>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>5th Semester</b>		
INT	233 ASL-to-English Interpretation II	3
INT	234 English-to-ASL Interpretation II	3
INT	Approved INT Elective (INT 235, 236, 242)	3
<sup>2</sup> PED/RPK	Elective	1
<sup>4</sup> ___	Approved Social Science Elective	<u>3</u>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>6<sup>th</sup> Semester (summer)</b>		
INT	250 Dialogic Interpretation I	3
INT	290 Coordinated Internship	<u>5</u>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>

**Total Credits for the American Sign Language - English Interpretation A.A.S. Degree – 68**

<sup>1</sup> The humanities/fine arts elective may be selected from the humanities and fine arts courses listed under General Electives.



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<sup>2</sup> The PED requirement may be met by one of the following options: PED 116, 2 cr.; PED 116, 1 cr. plus a PED activities course, 1 cr.; or PED 116, 1 cr. plus RPK activities course. PED 116 is offered as both a 1-credit and a 2-credit course.

<sup>3</sup> Students may choose MTH 151 or higher.

<sup>4</sup> The social science elective may be selected from the social/behavioral sciences courses listed under General Education Electives. Base selection on requirements of transfer institution.