

**AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE (ASL)**

Career Studies Certificate

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*Purpose:* This program prepares students to communicate proficiently in American Sign Language, including both expressive and receptive skills. Some students will transfer course credits to four-year institutions. Other students will be able to enhance their skills and employability in careers such as teaching, in the health or social service occupations, or in public safety positions.

*Admission Requirements:* Successful completion of ASL 101 American Sign Language I, or consent of instructor based on demonstrably equivalent skill level.

<b>One Year</b>		<b>Credits</b>
<b>1st Semester</b>		
ASL	102 American Sign Language II	4
ASL	125 History & Culture of the Deaf Community	<u>3</u>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>2nd Semester</b>		
ASL	115 Fingerspelling and Number Use in ASL	2
ASL	201 American Sign Language III	4
ASL	220 Comparative Linguistics: ASL & English	3
ENG	111 College Composition I	<u>3</u>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>3rd Semester</b>		
ASL	202 American Sign Language IV	<u>4</u>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>

**Total credits for the American Sign Language (ASL) Career Studies Certificate = 23.**

**All first-time students must take a one-credit Student Development (SDV) course prior to enrolling in their 16<sup>th</sup> credit at NOVA.**