

Northern Virginia Community College 2009-2010 Catalog

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.

One Year		Credits
1st Semester		
ASL	102 American Sign Language II	4
ASL	125 History & Culture of the Deaf Community	<u>3</u>
Total		7
2nd Semester		
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>
Total		12
3rd Semester		
ASL	202 American Sign Language IV	<u>4</u>
Total		4

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 16th credit at NOVA.