

# AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE (ASL)

## American Sign Language Courses

### ASL 301 American Sign Language I

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Introduction to basic American Sign Language structure, study of deaf culture, and basic fingerspelling principles.

**Prerequisites:** none.

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 301.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2025, Summer 2025, Spring 2025, Fall 2024.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

### ASL 302 American Sign Language II

3 cr. Undergraduate.

This course will continue skills in American Sign Language, fingerspelling and the study of deaf culture.

**Prerequisites:** a grade of C or better in ASL 301(P) or Level 1 ASLPI score.

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 302.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2025, Summer 2025, Spring 2025, Fall 2024.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

### ASL 303 American Sign Language III

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Focus is on the development of intermediate level skills in American Sign Language, its structure and study of deaf culture.

**Prerequisites:** a grade of C or better in ASL 302(P) or Level 1+ ASLPI score

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 303.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2025, Summer 2025, Spring 2025, Fall 2024.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

### ASL 304 American Sign Language IV

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Focus on the continuing development of intermediate level skills in American Sign Language, its structure and the study of deaf culture.

**Prerequisites:** a grade of C or better in ASL 303(P) or Level 2 ASLPI score.

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 304.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2025, Spring 2025, Fall 2024, Spring 2024.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

### ASL 305 American Sign Language V

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Advanced American Sign Language focusing on classifiers, fingerspelling, numeric techniques and grammar.

**Prerequisites:** a grade of C or better in ASL 304(P) or Level 2+ ASLPI score.

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 305.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2025, Spring 2025, Fall 2024, Spring 2024.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

### ASL 306 American Sign Language VI

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Advanced American Sign Language focusing on register, colloquialisms, storytelling and poetry.

**Prerequisites:** a grade of C or better in ASL 305(P).

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 306.

**Last Taught:** Summer 2025, Summer 2024, Spring 2024, Summer 2023.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

### ASL 320 Introduction to Interpreting: English to American Sign Language

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Theoretical and practical examination and development of various techniques of interpreting from English into American Sign Language through discourse analysis.

**Prerequisites:** a grade of B- or better in ASL 303(P).

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 302.

**Last Taught:** Summer 2025, Summer 2024, Summer 2023, Summer 2021.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

### ASL 321 Introduction to Interpreting: American Sign Language to English

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Theoretical and practical examination and development of various techniques of interpreting from American Sign Language to English through discourse analysis.

**Prerequisites:** a grade of B- or better in ASL 303(P).

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 321.

**Last Taught:** Summer 2025, Summer 2024, Summer 2023, Summer 2022.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

### ASL 325 Skills Development: ASL V

1 cr. Undergraduate.

Instructor-led, individual and small group skills development activities to supplement ASL V (ASL 305).

**Prerequisites:** ASL 305(C).

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 325.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2025, Spring 2025, Fall 2024, Spring 2024.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

### ASL 326 Skills Development: ASL VI

1 cr. Undergraduate.

Instructor-led, individual and small group skills development activities to supplement ASL 306.

**Prerequisites:** ASL 306(C).

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 326.

**Last Taught:** Summer 2025, Summer 2024, Spring 2024, Summer 2023.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

### ASL 327 Skills Development: Classifiers

1 cr. Undergraduate.

Instructor-led, individual and small group skills development activities to supplement ASL 510.

**Prerequisites:** ASL 510(C).

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 327.

**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Summer 2022.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

### ASL 328 Skills Development: ASL Depiction

1 cr. Undergraduate.

Skill development in ASL depiction by providing an immersion experience to build fluency and confidence using Visual-Gestural Communication.

**Prerequisites:** a grade of C or better in ASL 302(P) or Level 2 ASLPI score.

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 328.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2025, Spring 2025, Fall 2024.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 330 Deaf History**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

History of the Deaf Community in America primarily as well as in other countries.

**Prerequisites:** none.

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 330.

**General Education Requirements:** Civics and Perspectives

**Last Taught:** Fall 2025, Fall 2024, Fall 2023, Fall 2022.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 335 Educational Interpreting I**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Explores issues related to interpreting for children in settings from pre-kindergarten through elementary. Analysis of impact of transitions on professional roles, responsibilities, and ethics.

**Prerequisites:** admission to the ASL/English Interpreting program.

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 335.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2025, Fall 2024, Fall 2023, Spring 2023.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 336 Postsecondary Interpreting I**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Introductory knowledge/skills-based course that examines interpreting in a postsecondary environment, including both the technical college and university level.

**Prerequisites:** admission to the ASL/English Interpreting program.

**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 337 Video Relay Services Interpreting I**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Introductory knowledge/skills-based course that examines interpreting via distance technology, including video relay and video remote interpreting.

**Prerequisites:** admission to the ASL/English Interpreting program.

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 337.

**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 338 Introduction to Healthcare Interpreting**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Introduction to the unique challenges of and skills for sign language interpreting in medical settings.

**Prerequisites:** admission to the ASL/English Interpreting program.

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 338.

**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Spring 2024, Fall 2023, Fall 2022.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 340 Theatrical Interpreting**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Fundamentals of acting and characterization as they relate to the interpreting process in theatrical settings.

**Prerequisites:** admission to the ASL/English Interpreting program; or consent of instructor.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 341 Functional Diversity in the Deaf Community**

1 cr. Undergraduate.

Explores the intersection of Deaf identity with various functional diversities, including neurodivergence, physical disabilities, and intellectual differences.

**Prerequisites:** admission to the ASL/English Interpreting program; or consent of instructor.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 345 Foundations of English to ASL Interpreting**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Techniques for changing an auditory English message into American Sign Language and vice versa.

**Prerequisites:** junior standing and admission to the ASL/English Interpreting program; or consent of instructor.

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 345.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2025, Fall 2024, Fall 2023, Fall 2022.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 346 Skill Development: Semantics**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Analysis of American Sign Language linguistics semantics. Focus of individual sign meanings, semantic grammar structure including colloquialisms and cultural influences on meanings of signs.

**Prerequisites:** sophomore standing; for ASL Studies program students: grade of C or better in ASL 304(P), or Level 2+ ASLPI score; for Interpreter Training Program students: ASL 303(P), ASL 320(P), and ASL 321(P), or Level 2+ ASLPI score; or consent of instructor.

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 346.

**Last Taught:** Spring 2023, Spring 2022, Spring 2021, Spring 2020.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 347 Foundations of ASL to English Interpreting**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Development of English skills for the purposes of providing appropriate interpretations.

**Prerequisites:** admission to the ASL/English Interpreting program or consent of instructor.

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 347.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2025, Fall 2024, Fall 2023, Fall 2022.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 348 Introduction to the Profession of Interpreting**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Introduction to the professions and practices of interpreting. Focus on its history, philosophies, ethics, roles, resources and credentialing within the profession.

**Prerequisites:** none.

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 348.

**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 349 Field Work: Interacting in the Deaf Community I**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Experiences of observation, actual interpreting, sign teaching and interaction with deaf community. Weekly seminar provides forum for feedback and processing experiences.

**Prerequisites:** junior standing and admission to the ASL/English Interpreting program; or consent of instructor.

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 349.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2025, Fall 2024, Fall 2023, Fall 2022.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 350 Interpreting: Spoken English to ASL II**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Practical application of the process of taking a spoken English message and converting it into American Sign Language. Emphasis on the consecutive mode.

**Prerequisites:** junior standing and admission to the ASL/English Interpreting program; or consent of instructor.

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 350.

**Last Taught:** Spring 2018, Spring 2017, Spring 2016, Spring 2015.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 351 Interpreting ASL to Spoken English II**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Continues to develop the skill of changing a message signed in ASL into spoken English. Consecutive mode practiced; individual appointments emphasized.

**Prerequisites:** admission to the ASL/English Interpreting program and ASL 345(P).

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 351.

**Last Taught:** Spring 2018, Spring 2017, Spring 2016, Spring 2015.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 352 American Deaf Culture**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

The impact of Deaf culture on the Deaf community and Deaf education, understanding the Deaf person in a cultural context.

**Prerequisites:** none.

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 352.

**General Education Requirements:** Civics and Perspectives

**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 354 Field Work: Interacting in the Deaf Community II**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Continuation of ASL 349. Requires time observing, interpreting, teaching and community interaction. Weekly seminars continue to provide forum for processing of experiences.

**Prerequisites:** junior standing, admission to the ASL/English Interpreting program, and ASL 349(P).

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 354.

**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 356 Postsecondary Interpreting**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Knowledge/skills-based course that examines interpreting in a postsecondary environment, including both the technical college and university levels.

**Prerequisites:** admission to the ASL/English Interpreting program.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 357 Video Relay Services Interpreting**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Knowledge/skills-based course that examines interpreting via distance technology, including video relay and video remote interpreting.

**Prerequisites:** admission to the ASL/English Interpreting program.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 358 ASL/English Linguistics I**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

The linguistics of American Sign Language, exploring its structure and grammar, emphasizing its phonology and its comparison to English.

**Prerequisites:** a grade of C or better in ASL 306(P).

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 358.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2025, Fall 2024, Fall 2023, Fall 2022.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 359 Fieldwork: Interacting in the Deaf Community III**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Continuation of EXCEDUC 323: requires greater emphasis on interpreting, less on observation, teaching and community interaction. Weekly seminar continues for processing of experiences.

**Prerequisites:** ASL 354(P) or ASL 349(P) and admission to the ASL/English Interpreting program.

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 359.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2025, Fall 2024, Fall 2023, Fall 2022.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 360 Community Interpreting**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Prepares students with the required technical skills and knowledge for common entry-level community interpreting work for ASL interpreters, and for the BEI-Basic performance exam.

**Prerequisites:** admission to the ASL/English Interpreting program; or consent of instructor.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 363 ASL/English Linguistics II**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Focus on the linguistics of American Sign Language, including emphasis on its morphology and syntax and its comparison to English.

**Prerequisites:** junior standing and a grade of C or better in ASL 358(P); or consent of instructor.

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 363.

**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 364 Fieldwork: Interacting in the Deaf Community IV**

6-12 cr. Undergraduate.

Continuation of ASL 359: requiring 70% focus on actual interpreting, the remainder on observation, teaching and community interaction. Seminar offers forum for processing experiences.

**Prerequisites:** ASL 354(P), ASL 359(P), and admission to the ASL/English Interpreting program.

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 364. May be retaken to 12 credits max.

**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 365 Educational Interpreting II**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Issues related to interpreting for children from 6th through 12th grade. Use of various sign systems in educational settings, working conditions and attitudes, and DPI certification issues.

**Prerequisites:** admission to the ASL/English Interpreting program.

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 365.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2025, Fall 2024, Fall 2023, Fall 2022.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 366 Postsecondary Interpreting II**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Advanced knowledge/skills-based course that examines interpreting in a postsecondary environment, including technical college and university level.

**Prerequisites:** admission to the ASL/English Interpreting program.

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 366.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2025, Fall 2024, Fall 2023, Fall 2022.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 367 Video Relay Services Interpreting II**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Continuation of the VRS Foundations I course and will continue to be a knowledge/skills-based course that examines interpreting via distance technology, including video relay and video remote interpreting.

**Prerequisites:** admission to the ASL/English Interpreting program.

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 367.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2025, Fall 2024, Fall 2023, Fall 2022.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 368 Medical and Mental Healthcare Interpreting**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Explores unique challenges of sign language interpreting in medical and mental health settings. Variety of settings and the systems and structures for patient care.

**Prerequisites:** admission to the ASL/English Interpreting program.

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 368.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2025, Fall 2024, Spring 2024, Spring 2023.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 371 ASL-English Interpreter Knowledge Exam Preparation**

1 cr. Undergraduate.

Techniques and strategies for the knowledge and ethical skills required for the ASL-English Interpreter Knowledge Exam.

**Prerequisites:** ASL 354(C) and admission to the ASL/English Interpreting program; or consent of instructor.

**Course Rules:** Re-takable to 3 credits with change in topic. Previously EXCEDUC 371.

**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 500 Fingerspelling & Numbers**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Introduction to fingerspelling and numbers in ASL.

**Prerequisites:** sophomore standing and a grade of C or better in ASL 302(P) or Level 2+ ASLPI score; or consent of instructor.

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 500.

**Last Taught:** Fall 2025, Spring 2025, Fall 2024, Spring 2024.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 510 Classifiers**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Study of the classifier system of ASL.

**Prerequisites:** sophomore standing; for ASL Studies program students: a grade of C or better in ASL 305(P) or ASL 306(P); for AEIP students: ASL 304(P), ASL 320(P) and ASL 321(P); or consent of instructor.

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 510.

**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Summer 2022.

**Current Offerings:** <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

**ASL 520 ASL Literature**

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Introduction to the analysis of ASL Literature.

**Prerequisites:** sophomore standing; for ASL Studies program students: a grade of C or better in ASL 305(P), or consent of instructor; for ASL/English Interpreting major students: a grade of B- or better in ASL 304(P), ASL 320(P), and ASL 321(P), or consent of instructor.

**Course Rules:** Previously EXCEDUC 520.

**Last Taught:** Spring 2025, Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Spring 2022.

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