

LANSING COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Arts & Communications

Curriculum Code: 0282
(Effective Fall 2018 –
Summer 2023)

Sign Language Interpreter A.A.A. Pathway

The Sign Language Interpreter is a person specially trained to facilitate communication between the Deaf, Deaf/Blind, hard of hearing, and hearing communities. Employment opportunities may be in educational settings, freelance, or contracted with agencies to provide interpreter services for deaf persons. Entrance to the Interpreter Program is granted by passing a screening implemented by the Sign Language Program. State of Michigan PA 204 of 2007 states that interpreters must possess certification in order to be employed. State credentials are available through the Division on Deafness & Hard of Hearing in the Department of Civil Rights for the State of Michigan. In addition to the State of MI credentials, graduates may also consider taking the Education Interpreters Performance Assessment (EIPA) or National Interpreter Certification (NIC). Not all courses in this program transfer to all colleges. Students planning to transfer should see an academic advisor before enrolling in any course. Students planning to enroll in the Interpreter Program must meet with a faculty advisor from the Sign Language Interpreter Program.

Notes:

- 1) Students must receive at least a 2.5 in ALL 200-level SIGN courses to complete this degree.
- 2) Students can use SIGN 294 as a substitution up to three times with prior approval from the Program Faculty Chair.

For More Information

Contact the Communication, Media and the Arts Department, Gannon Building, Room 1222, telephone number (517) 483-1546 or the Academic Advising Department, Gannon Building, - StarZone, telephone number (517) 483-1904.

Semester I Fall	Course Title	Prerequisites	Credit/Billing Hours
Writing Core Area - <i>Select 1</i>			
ENGL 121	Composition I	Reading Level 5 and Writing Level 6 or (Reading Level 4 and Writing Level 4 and ENGL 099 concurrently)	4 / 4
Global Perspectives and Diversity Core Area - <i>Select 1</i>			
COMM 280	Intercultural Communication	Reading Level 5 and Writing Level 6	3 / 3
GEOG 200	World Regional Geography	Reading Level 5 and Writing Level 6 and (Math Level 4 or minimum 2.0 in MATH 105 or MATH 106)	4 / 4
MGMT 234	Diversity in the Workplace	Reading Level 5 and Writing Level 6	3 / 3
SOCL 120	Introduction to Sociology	Reading Level 5 or (Reading Level 4 and ENGL 099 concurrently)	4 / 4

Program of Study Requirements			
<i>SIGN 160 will also satisfy the Communication Core Area requirement.</i>			
SIGN 160	Intro to the Deaf Community	Reading Level 5 and Writing Level 4	3 / 3
SIGN 161	American Sign Language I	(Minimum 2.0 in SIGN 160 or concurrently) and Reading Level 5 and Writing Level 4	3 / 3
Credits			13-14 / 13-14
Semester II Spring	Course Title	Prerequisites	Credit/Billing Hours
Science Core Area - <i>Select 1</i>			
ASTR 201	Introductory Astronomy	Reading Level 5 and Writing Level 6 and (Math Level 5 or MATH 107 or MATH 109 concurrently)	4 / 5
BIOL 120	Environmental Science	(Reading Level 5 or ENGL 099 concurrently) and Writing Level 6	4 / 6
CHEM 135	Chemistry in Society	Reading Level 5 and Writing Level 6 and (Math Level 4 or minimum 2.0 in MATH 105 or MATH 106)	4 / 5
ISCI 131	Integrated Physical Science	Reading Level 5 and Writing Level 6 and (Math Level 4 or minimum 2.0 in MATH 105 or MATH 106)	4 / 6
Math Core Area - <i>Select 1</i>			
MATH 119	Math - Applications for Living	(Minimum 2.0 in MATH 105 or MATH 106 or MATH 107 or Math Level 5) and Reading Level 5 and Writing Level 4	4 / 4
MATH 120	College Algebra	(Minimum 2.0 in MATH 109 or MATH 112 within 2 years or Math Level 6 within 2 years) and Reading Level 5 and Writing Level 4	4 / 4

Program of Study Requirements			
SIGN 162	American Sign Language II	Minimum 2.0 in SIGN 161 and Reading Level 5 and Writing Level 4	3 / 3
SIGN 166	Fingerspelling	Minimum 2.0 in SIGN 161 and Reading Level 5 and Writing Level 4	3 / 3
Credits			14 / 15-16
Semester III Summer	Course Title	Prerequisites	Credit/Billing Hours
Program of Study Requirements			
SIGN 163	American Sign Language III	Minimum 2.0 in SIGN 162 and Reading Level 5 and Writing Level 4	3 / 3
SIGN 167	Beginning Sign to Voice	Minimum 2.0 in SIGN 162 and Reading Level 5 and Writing Level 4	3 / 3
SIGN 170 <i>Only available Summer semester.</i>	Expressive/Receptive ASL	Minimum 2.0 in SIGN 163 or concurrently and Reading Level 5 and Writing Level 4	3 / 3
Credits			9 / 9
Semester IV Fall	Course Title	Prerequisites	Credit/Billing Hours
Program of Study Requirements			
SIGN 200	Applied Skill in the Workplace	Successfully pass ITP screening	2 / 2
SIGN 240	Intro to Transliteration	Department Approval	3 / 3
SIGN 260 <i>Only available Fall semester</i>	Linguistic Principles of ASL	Minimum 2.0 in SIGN 163 and Reading Level 5 and Writing Level 4	3 / 3
SIGN 261	Principles of Interpreting	Department Approval	3 / 3
Credits			11 / 11

Semester V Spring	Course Title	Prerequisites	Credit/Billing Hours
Program of Study Requirements			
SIGN 176 <i>Only available Spring semester</i>	Advanced Fingerspelling	Minimum 2.0 in SIGN 166 and Reading Level 5 and Writing Level 4	2 / 2
SIGN 250 <i>Only available Spring semester</i>	Deaf Culture and History	Minimum 2.5 in SIGN 200 or concurrently and Reading Level 5 and Writing Level 4	3 / 3
SIGN 263	Intermediate Sign to Voice	Minimum 2.5 in (SIGN 240 and SIGN 261) and Reading Level 5 and Writing Level 4	3 / 3
SIGN 267	Sign Practicum I	Minimum 2.5 in (SIGN 240 and SIGN 261) and Reading Level 5 and Writing Level 4	3 / 3
Credits			11 / 11
Semester VI Summer	Course Title	Prerequisites	Credit/Billing Hours
Program of Study Requirements			
SIGN 266	Educational Interpreting	Minimum 2.5 in SIGN 263 and Reading Level 5 and Writing Level 4	2 / 2
SIGN 268	Sign Practicum II	Minimum 2.5 in SIGN 267 and Reading Level 5 and Writing Level 4	3 / 3
Credits			5 / 5
Semester VII Fall	Course Title	Prerequisites	Credit/Billing Hours
Program of Study Requirement			
SIGN 270 <i>Only available Fall semester</i>	Advanced Interpreting	Minimum 2.5 in SIGN 268 and Reading Level 5 and Writing Level 4	3 / 3
Credits			3 / 3

Semester VIII Spring	Course Title	Prerequisites	Credit/Billing Hours
Program of Study Requirement			
SIGN 271 <i>Only available Spring semester</i>	Advanced Sign to Voice	Minimum 2.5 in SIGN 270 and Reading Level 5 and Writing Level 4	3 / 3
Credits			3 / 3
Total Credits			69-70 / 70-72