

MINOR IN DEAF STUDIES

Curriculum

Students must complete a minimum of six credits of advanced standing coursework in their minor.*

The Minor in Deaf Studies is designed to enable students to understand and have greater awareness of, understanding of, and expertise in the Deaf community, their culture and language. Practical application of language use, cultural appreciation and understanding of deafness from a diversity viewpoint are stressed through three unique minor focus areas, each related to an integral aspect of the Deaf community. The minor prepares students from various majors to more greatly understand the population in which they provide services (Diversity focus area), the culture in which the Deaf individual is a member (Culture focus area), and develop proficiency in the cultural language of American Sign Language (Language focus area). The Deaf Studies Minor is open to any WCU student with an interest in the area.

Code	Title	Credits
Core Requirements		
ASL 101/CSD 110	Elementary American Sign Language I	3
ASL 102/CSD 111	Elementary American Sign Language II	3
Choose one of the following focus areas:		12
Culture Focus Area		
ASL 201/CSD 210	Intermediate American Sign Language I	
ASL 202/CSD 211	Intermediate American Sign Language II	
DST 255	Introduction to Deaf Studies	
DST 357	Deaf Culture Perspectives	
Language Focus Area		
ASL 201/CSD 210	Intermediate American Sign Language I	
ASL 202/CSD 211	Intermediate American Sign Language II	
ASL 301	Advanced American Sign Language I	
ASL 302	Advanced American Sign Language II	
Diversity Focus Area		
DST 255	Introduction to Deaf Studies	
DST 355	Deaf History	
Select two of the following:		
DST 357	Deaf Culture Perspectives	
DST 457	American Sign Language Literature	
ASL 201/CSD 210	Intermediate American Sign Language I	
ASL 202/CSD 211	Intermediate American Sign Language II	
CSD 203	Speech and Hearing Science	
CSD 204	Speech and Language Development	
Total Minimum Credits Required		18

*Advanced standing coursework is defined as any 300-level course or above and specific 200-level courses identified by the department.