# **Deaf Studies**

### **Bachelor of Arts**

## **Description**

The Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Deaf Studies program offers students a comprehensive understanding of Deaf culture, history, language, and community. This program examines areas including American Sign Language linguistics, Deaf history and culture, advocacy, interpreting and translation, and social justice issues impacting the Deaf community. Students will gain a strong academic foundation and practical skills related to the Deaf community. Students must complete specialized training in one of two tracks: Sign Language Interpreting or Advocacy Social Services and complete a practicum and fieldwork course during their final semester of the program.

# **Admissions Requirements**

- A high school diploma or GED
- Credentials earned outside of the US must be evaluated by an approved agency
- GPA of 2.0 or higher
- Official transcripts from all previously attended institutions
- Completed application with Carolina University

## **Graduation Requirements**

- Shall have maintained a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0:
- Shall have passed all courses in his/her curriculum and made a C- or better in professional core courses;
- Shall have completed at least 24 of the final 30 hours with Carolina University.

#### Courses

### **General Education Core (36 Credit Hours)**

### **Professional Core (51 Credit Hours)**

SL 101 - American Sign Language I

3 Credit Hours

SL 102 - American Sign Language II

3 Credit Hours

SL 201 - American Sign Language III

3 Credit Hours

SL 202 - American Sign Language IV

3 Credit Hours

SL 301 - American Sign Language V

3 Credit Hours

SL 401 - American Sign Language VI

3 Credit Hours
SL 171 - Deaf Culture and ConversationalLab I
1 Credit Hour
SL 172 - Deaf Culture and ConversationalLab II
1 Credit Hour
SL 173 - Deaf Culture and ConversationalLab III
1 Credit Hour
SL 174 - Deaf Culture and ConversationalLab IV
1 Credit Hour
SL 175 - Deaf Culture and ConversationalLab V
1 Credit Hour
SL 176 - Deaf Culture and ConversationalLab VI
1 Credit Hour
SL 221 - Religion and the Deaf Community
3 Credit Hours
SL 320 - Disability Studies & the Deaf Community
3 Credit Hours
SL 344 - International Sign & Visual Gestural Communication
3 Credit Hours
SL 346 - Deaf Cultural Studies
3 Credit Hours
SL 400 - American Sign Language Linguistics
3 Credit Hours
SL 460 - Deaf Literature & Art
3 Credit Hours
SL 450 - Deaf Studies Capstone
3 Credit Hours
SL 470 - Final Practicum and Fieldwork
6 Credit Hours
Select one of the following tracks:
Advocacy in Social Services Track (33 Credit Hours)
SL 215 - Society and Human Rights

3 Credit Hours

SL 225 - Human Rights for People with Disabilities

3 Credit Hours

SL 230 - Poverty Alleviation

3 Credit Hours

SL 235 - Community Based Advocacy

3 Credit Hours

SL 305 - Intercultural Competence and Communication

3 Credit Hours

SL 310 - Transformational Development I

3 Credit Hours

SL 311 - Transformational Development II

3 Credit Hours

SL 330 - Short Term Community Development

- 3 Credit Hours
- SL 435 Project Design
- 3 Credit Hours
- SL 440 Project Monitoring and Evaluation
- 3 Credit Hours
- SL 445 Grant Writing
- 3 Credit Hours

### **Sign Language Interpreting Track (33 Credit Hours)**

- SL 240 Intro to Interpreting Profession
- 3 Credit Hours
- SL 302 Contextual Settings: Frozen Text and Formal Interpreting
- 3 Credit Hours
- SL 339 Contextual Settings: Medical, Mental Health, and Legal Interpreti
- 3 Credit Hours
- SL 341 Interpreting English to American Sign Language
- 3 Credit Hours
- SL 342 Contextual Settings: EducationalInterpreting
- 3 Credit Hours
- SL 345 Interpreting American Sign Language to English
- 3 Credit Hours
- SL 371 Special Topics in Deaf Studies
- 1 Credit Hour
- SL 372 Special Topics in Deaf Studies
- 1 Credit Hour
- SL 373 Special Topics in Deaf Studies
- 1 Credit Hour
- SL 374 Special Topics in Deaf Studies
- 1 Credit Hour
- SL 375 Special Topics in Deaf Studies
- 1 Credit Hour
- SL 376 Special Topics in Deaf Studies
- 1 Credit Hour
- SL 410 Professional Seminar I: Ethical & Strategic Business Practices in In
- 3 Credit Hours
- SL 430 Professional Seminar II: Ethics & Credentialing in Interpreting
- 3 Credit Hours
- SL 481 Preliminary Practicum
- 3 Credit Hours