

# 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 Interpreting](#)

3 Credit Hours

[SL 341 - Interpreting English to American Sign Language](#)

3 Credit Hours

[SL 342 - Contextual Settings: Educational Interpreting](#)

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