

BA IN DEAF STUDIES

Degree Roadmaps (2YR (https://www.csus.edu/academic-affairs/curriculum-workflow/_internal/_documents/program-road-maps/ed_2yr/deaf-studies_transfer-roadmap-2024-25.pdf)) (4YR (https://www.csus.edu/academic-affairs/curriculum-workflow/_internal/_documents/program-road-maps/ed_4yr/deaf-studies_4-year-roadmap-2024-25.pdf))

Units required for Major 41-44

Total units required for BA: 120

Program Description

Deaf Studies takes an interdisciplinary approach to the study of Deaf and hard-of-hearing people in American and world society. The program promotes the understanding of the Deaf community as a linguistic and cultural group and encourages students to analyze existing stereotypes and policies relating to Deaf and hard-of-hearing people in order to work both within their own communities and others in affecting change for the betterment of the Deaf and hard-of-hearing community.

Admission Requirements

There are no admission requirements, prerequisites or other criteria for admission into the BA in Deaf Studies. Students are encouraged to enter into the program with previously acquired ASL skills in order to continue and build upon their learning before going out into the field in working with Deaf people. Students need to maintain a C (or better) in all Deaf Studies major coursework in order to graduate with a degree in Deaf Studies.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Units
Required Courses (44 Units)		
DEAF 51	American Sign Language 1	4
DEAF 52	American Sign Language 2 ¹	4
DEAF 53	American Sign Language 3 ¹	4
DEAF 56	ASL Fingerspelling and Numbers	1
DEAF 57	ASL Classifiers	2
DEAF 60	Introduction to Deaf Studies ¹	3
DEAF 154	American Sign Language 4	4
DEAF 155	American Sign Language 5	4
DEAF 161	Deaf History	3
DEAF 162	Deaf Culture and Community	3
DEAF 163	ASL Literature	3
DEAF 164	Sign Language Structure and Usage	3
DEAF 166	Experiences in the Deaf Community - Dynamics of Oppression and Building Allyship	3
Select one of the following:		3
DEAF 165A SPE ⁴ ASL TRANSLAT		
DEAF 165B SPECIAL TOPIC: DEAF EDUCATION - POWER & POLITICS		
DEAF 165C SPE ⁴		
DEAF 165D SPECIAL TOPIC: GLOBAL DEAF LANGUAGES & CULTURES		
DEAF 165E SPE ⁴		

¹ Course also satisfies General Education (GE)/Graduation Requirement.

General Education Requirements ¹

Code	Title	Units
Area A: Basic Subjects (9 Units)		
A1	Oral Communication	3
A2	Written Communication	3
A3	Critical Thinking	3
Area B: Physical Universe and Its Life Forms (13 Units)		
B1	Physical Science	3
B2	Life Forms	3
B3	Lab (Note: Lab experience to be taken with one of the following: B1, B2 or B5)	1
B4	Math Concepts	3
B5	Additional Course (Any B to reach 12 units) - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements.	3
Area C: Arts and Humanities (9 Units)		
C1	Arts	3
C2	Humanities ²	0
C1/C2	Area C Course	3
C1/C2	Area C Course - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements.	3
Area D: The Individual and Society (6 Units)		
Area D Course		3
Area D Course ²		0
Area D Course - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements.		3
Area E: Understanding Personal Development (3 Units)		
Area E Course		3
Area F: Ethnic Studies (3 Units)		
Area F Course		3
Total Units		43

¹ To help you complete your degree in a timely manner and not take more units than absolutely necessary, there are ways to use single courses to meet more than one requirement (overlap). For further information, please visit the General Education page (<http://catalog.csus.edu/colleges/academic-affairs/general-education/>).

Note: There is no way to list all possible overlaps so please consult with a professional advisor. The Academic Advising Center can be visited online (<http://www.csus.edu/acad/>), by phone (916) 278-1000, or email (advising@csus.edu).

² Required in Major; also satisfies GE.

Graduation Requirements ¹

Code	Title	Units
Graduation Requirements (required by CSU) (9 Units)		
American Institutions: U.S. History		3
American Institutions: U.S. Constitution & CA Government		3
Writing Intensive (WI)		3
Graduation Requirements (required by Sacramento State) (6 Units)		
English Composition II		3

Race and Ethnicity in American Society (RE)	3
Foreign Language Proficiency Requirement ^{2,3}	0

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² Required in Major; also satisfies Graduation Requirement.

³ If not satisfied before entering Sacramento State, it may be satisfied in General Education Area C2 (Humanities). "C- or better required." The alternative methods for satisfying the Foreign Language Proficiency Requirement are described here: <https://www.csus.edu/college/arts-letters/world-languages-literatures/foreign-language-requirement.html> (<https://www.csus.edu/college/arts-letters/world-languages-literatures/foreign-language-requirement.html>)

⁴ The 165 Series are rotating special topics courses -- students are required to take only one in this sequence; others may be taken as electives or in lieu of waived/transferred coursework.