Your Future

For education in deaf studies and deaf education, you've come to the right place! Lamar University is the only program in Texas that prepares American Sign Language (ASL) teachers who teach ASL as a second language to hearing students. We’re known for our bilingual philosophy and work to prepare you to be ASL teachers and interpreters, teachers of deaf children from early childhood to secondary levels, as well as university professors and administrators.

These life-changing careers are found in various settings: education, government, healthcare and more. Here, you’ll have the chance to work closely with our deaf and hearing faculty, state schools for the deaf, mainstream programs in the public school, community colleges, universities and research labs, so that you’ll have second-to-none curriculum and a rich experience.

Career Opportunities

- K-12 ASL teacher
- Educational Sign-language Interpreter
- Deaf Education Teacher
- Postsecondary Faculty or Administrator

Degrees and Programs

Bachelor of Art (B.A.)
American Sign Language

Master of Science (M.S.)
Deaf Studies/Deaf Education

Doctor of Education (Ed.D.)
Deaf Studies and Deaf Education
Research Collaboration and Career Development

Our department has excellent opportunities for you to further your own understanding through research and present your findings to your peers and teachers. The department encourages all students to find a research mentor and join in collaborative research projects. We have undergraduates working with faculty and doctoral students. Master’s students are working on theses as their capstone projects, and doctoral students are highly involved in research, presenting at national conferences and publishing in journals that are peer reviewed. Follow our facebook page to keep up with current activities.

National publications name ASL teaching and interpreting two of the best, most meaningful jobs in the country. Within this program, you’ll learn valuable communication skills that you can apply anywhere and with virtually anyone. ASL is the language that brings everyone together, and you'll get to learn from experts every day.

Facilities

The Department of Deaf Studies and Deaf Education is located in the Communication Building on the campus of Lamar University. The ASL Lab is located in 107F and includes computers, video facilities and ASL tutors, who are fluent ASL users who tutor students in our programs. In addition, two research labs provide space to collaborate.

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