

# American Sign Language B.A. Concentration in Advocacy - 4 Year Degree Plan

## 2025-2026

Lamar University's **Bachelor of Arts in American Sign Language** with a concentration in **advocacy** prepares you for working with the deaf community. Each student must complete a required departmental core of courses, which includes ASL, linguistics of fingerspelling, global deaf communities, etc. In addition, each student will complete the pedagogy courses required for licensure. The program is offered only on-campus and will gain documented proficiency in ASL, validity within the deaf community and networking opportunities within the professional community. – Contact UAC at [advising@lamar.edu](mailto:advising@lamar.edu), 409-880-8822, [lamar.edu/findadvisor](http://lamar.edu/findadvisor)

NOTE: Degree plans may change over a four-year period. This may not be the most current list of course requirements for your program. It is always advised that you check Degree Audit in Banner Self-Serv or your advisor for the most up-to-date degree requirements and to track your progress toward a degree.

FIRST YEAR	Fall		Hours	Grade	Spring		Hours	Grade
	DSDE 1371	ASL I	3	_____	DSDE 2371	ASL III	3	_____
	DSDE 1372	ASL II	3	_____	DSDE 2372	American Sign Language IV	3	_____
	ENGL 1301	Composition I	3	_____	ENGL 1302	Composition II	3	_____
	HIST 1301	U S History I 1763-1877	3	_____	MATH 1332	Contemporary Mathematics I	3	_____
	DSDE 1379	ASL Structure	3	_____	DSDE 2382	ASL Linguistics	3	_____
	Hours		15	_____	Hours		15	_____

SECOND YEAR	Fall		Hours	Grade	Spring		Hours	Grade
	DSDE 2380	ASL V	3	_____	Creative Arts		3	_____
	DSDE 2381	ASL VI	3	_____	POLS 2301	Intro to American Government I	3	_____
	DSDE 1377	Introduction to Deaf Education	3	_____	DSDE 3311	Advocacy and Services for Deaf/Hard of Hearing	3	_____
	DSDE 2384	Linguistics and Fingerspelling	3	_____	Life and Physical Science		3	_____
	DSDE 1378	Intro to Interpreting	3	_____	Language, Philosophy and Culture		3	_____
	Hours		15	_____	Hours		15	_____

THIRD YEAR	Fall		Hours	Grade	Spring		Hours	Grade
	DSDE 1374	Introduction to Deaf Studies	3	_____	PSYC 2301	General Psychology	3	_____
	DSDE 3322	Research Theory	3	_____	Component Area Option		3	_____
	POLS 2302	Intro American Government II	3	_____	DSDE 3328	Deafhood and Allyship	3	_____
	DSDE 3307	ASL Literature	3	_____	Electives		6	_____
	COMM 1315	Public Speaking I	3	_____				_____
	Hours		15	_____	Hours		15	_____

FOURTH YEAR	Fall		Hours	Grade	Spring		Hours	Grade
	DSDE 3303	Interpreting for Diverse Deaf Communities	3	_____	DSDE 4308	Teaching ASL as a Second Language	3	_____
	DSDE 3312	Social Justice Advocacy	3	_____	DSDE 4320	Global Deaf Communities	3	_____
	DSDE 4309	Practicum	3	_____	Elective		3	_____
	Elective		3	_____	DSDE 4620	Internship Advocacy	6	_____
	Life and Physical Science		3	_____				_____
	Hours		15	_____	Hours		15	_____