

General American Sign Language Studies B.A. - 4 Year Degree Plan

2026-2027

Lamar University's **Bachelor of Arts in General American Sign Language Studies** 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, 409-880-8822, 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	ASL 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		DSDE 1377	Introduction to Deaf Education	3	
	Language, Philosophy and Culture		3		POLS 2301	Intro to American Government I	3	
	DSDE 2384	Linguistics and Fingerspelling	3		DSDE 3311	Advocacy and Services for Deaf/Hard of Hearing	3	
	DSDE 1378	Intro to Interpreting	3		Life and Physical Science		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 or COMM 1321	Public Speaking I or Business and Professional Speech	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	