American Sign Language (ASL)

1 American Sign Language I (4) UC:CSU Lecture, 4 hours
This is an introductory course for developing conversational skills using the manual alphabet and American Sign Language. It is designed to assist in communicating with and in understanding the deaf community.

2 American Sign Language II (4) UC:CSU; IGETC Area 6A Lecture, 4 hours
Prerequisite: American Sign Language 1
This course is a continuation of the study of elementary American Sign Language (ASL) vocabulary and grammar. Increased development of inflectional and non-manual behavior patterns are presented together with the incorporation of selected aspects of deaf culture and community within receptive and expressive conversations. Topics are presented in readings, videos, and discussions in ASL. Non-verbal communication is emphasized.

3 American Sign Language III (4) UC:CSU; IGETC Area 3B Lecture, 4 hours
Prerequisite: American Sign Language 2
This course provides continued development of American Sign Language grammar, with special emphasis on idiomatic constructions. Provides further development of conversational techniques focusing on expressive skills, and expanded study of deaf cultural issues.

4 American Sign Language IV (4) UC:CSU; IGETC Area 3B, 6A Lecture, 4 hours
Prerequisite: American Sign Language 3
This course serves as an advanced study of American Sign Language vocabulary and grammar including further development and refinement of American Sign Language skills and fluency. It accentuates aspects of deaf culture and community through spontaneously generated conversations. Topics include: ASL transcription symbol system, development and history of ASL linguistic evolution, and selected sign types.