

What can I do with this major: Deaf Studies

Deaf Studies offers associate degree and certificate programs in both American Sign Language and Interpreter Training. American Sign Language is suited for those interested in learning to communicate with people in the Deaf community, as well as enhancing cultural awareness. Interpreter Training focuses on developing and utilizing American Sign Language skills to provide communication access for persons who are Deaf or Hard-Of-Hearing. Students who complete the associate degree have enhanced employability working with the Deaf community in settings such as social work and education. They are well prepared for full-time, permanent positions rather than temporary, on-call positions.

Degrees and Certificates offered at AVC

- ❖ Deaf Studies-American Sign Language - Certificate (non-transferable)
- ❖ Deaf Studies-American Sign Language - AA (non-transferable)
- ❖ Deaf Studies-Interpreter Training - Certificate (non-transferable)
- ❖ Deaf Studies-Interpreter Training - AA (non-transferable)

Work Industries and Employers

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| ❖ Private Agencies | ❖ Hospitals |
| ❖ Law Firms | ❖ Mass Media |
| ❖ Courthouses | ❖ Customer Service |
| ❖ Colleges/Universities | ❖ K-12 Schools |
| ❖ Local Government | ❖ Tutoring Services |

Possible Job/Career Titles

Associate Degree:

- ❖ Teacher's Aide
- ❖ Tour Guide
- ❖ Court Interpreter
- ❖ Outreach Worker

Bachelor Degree:

- ❖ Program Administrator
- ❖ Medical Interpreter
- ❖ Special Education Teacher

Advanced Degree:

- ❖ Social Worker
- ❖ Lawyer

The information reflected is intended to act as a tool for exploration. Please visit the [Career Center](#) for more specific information on majors and careers



Next Steps...

Connect with Professional Associations

Associations are a group of people who come together for a common purpose. You can find helpful information about jobs and careers.

- ❖ [National Association of Special Education Teachers](#)
- ❖ [Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Inc.](#)
- ❖ [American Translators Association](#)
- ❖ [Certification Commission for Healthcare Interpreters](#)
- ❖ [National Board of Certification for Medical Interpreters](#)
- ❖ [National Association of Judiciary Interpreters](#)

View Additional Information

- ❖ [Occupational Outlook Handbook](#)
- ❖ [Candid Career Videos](#)
- ❖ [Assist](#): Student Transfer Information System
- ❖ [ONET](#) OnLine: Job and Career Exploration
- ❖ [LinkedIn Alumni Tool](#)
- ❖ [Transfer Schools](#)

Find CSU/UC Major Preparation (BA/BS)

- ❖ [CSU Northridge: Deaf Studies B.A.](#)
- ❖ [CSU Long Beach: American Sign Language Linguistics and Deaf Cultures B.A. \(ASL-English Interpreting\)](#)
- ❖ [CSU Long Beach: American Sign Language Linguistics and Deaf Cultures B.A. \(General\)](#)
- ❖ [CSU Fresno: Deaf Studies B.A. \(Deaf Education\)](#)
- ❖ [CSU Fresno: Deaf Studies B.A. \(Interpreting\)](#)
- ❖ [CSU Fresno: Deaf Studies B.A. \(Deaf Studies\)](#)
- ❖ ... and more! - <https://www.transferbound.com/>

Develop your Skills and Experience

- ❖ Jobs and Internships ([College Central Network](#))
- ❖ [EIPA](#)