

SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETING

Sign Language Interpreting Certificate

NOTE: This program will be withdrawn effective Fall 2018.

This 40 credit-hour certificate program is designed to provide students with entry-level interpreting and transliterating skills, a general knowledge of Deaf culture and an understanding of the interpreting profession. Students enrolled in the program need to possess fluency in American Sign Language and English and need to have met the prerequisites for entry into the program. For individuals who do not yet possess sign language fluency, Harper College offers the following courses to assist in acquiring the necessary skills: SGN 101, SGN 102, SGN 103, SGN 201, and SGN 202. (See Sign Language course information.)

Successful completion of this program provides a foundation for students to take written and/or performance examinations leading to select credentials. Students should be aware that there are legal restrictions that apply to interpreters in the State of Illinois. Individuals in Illinois working toward becoming (or already working as) interpreters should familiarize themselves with the Interpreter for the Deaf Licensure Act of 2007.

Required:

Number	Course Title	Credits
ITP 101	Introduction to Interpreting	3
ITP 110	Consecutive Interpreting: English to ASL ¹	3
ITP 111	Consecutive Interpreting: ASL to English ¹	3
ITP 120	Simultaneous Interpreting: English to ASL I	3
ITP 121	Simultaneous Interpreting: ASL to English I	3
ITP 200	Transliterating and the Educational Setting	3
ITP 211	Simultaneous Interpreting: ASL to English II	3
ITP 215	Interpreting: Dialogic Discourse	4
ITP 216	Simultaneous Interpreting: English to ASL II	3
ITP 220	Interpreting Practicum ²	5
SGN 205	American Sign Language V ³	3
SGN 210	Asl: Cultural Perspective ⁴	4

Electives:

Number	Course Title	Credits
ITP 105	Vocabulary Development for Interpreters: English	1
ITP 106	Vocabulary Development for Interpreters: American Sign Language	1
ITP 201	Topics in Interpreting	1-4

¹ Prerequisites include a grade of B or better in ITP 101 and SGN 205 before ITP 110 and ITP 111 may be taken.

² A grade of C or better is required in this course.

³ SGN 205 has a prerequisite of SGN 202 with a grade of C or better, or consent of program coordinator.

⁴ SGN 210 has a prerequisite of SGN 201 with a grade of C or better, or consent of program coordinator.