



Central to Connection.

Central's Undergraduate Certificate in Deaf Studies provides students an intermediate proficiency in American Sign Language (ASL) that allows them to interact and communicate with deaf individuals. Students gain essential knowledge that enables an understanding of major educational and linguistic issues associated with this community.



DID YOU KNOW?

The mean annual income for court reporters and simultaneous captioners (including interpreters for the deaf and hearing-impaired) is more than \$71,000 – Bureau of Labor Statistics

Program Features

- 15-credit interdisciplinary program
- Starts every August
- Attend classes on-campus and in hybrid class format
- Hands-on instruction
- Opportunities to interact with the deaf community
- Appropriate for students interested in education, in-service teachers, and administrators



What You'll Gain

- Proficiency in ASL
- Ability to communicate with deaf and hearing-impaired individuals
- Comprehension of issues impacting the deaf community
- Recognition of the roadblocks that can impact deaf and hearing-impaired individuals' ability to fully participate in certain aspects of society
- Appreciation of the deaf community
- Preparation for further study in the education of the deaf and hearing-impaired.

Curriculum

Required (12 credits)

- ASL 125: Intermediate ASL I
- ASL 126: Intermediate ASL II
- SPED 215: Diversity, equity, & inclusion through (disability perspectives)
- SPED 315: Intro to Educating Learners with Exceptionalities
- LING 430: Topics in Linguistics- Introduction to Sign Languages

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ABOUT CENTRAL:

Central Connecticut State University is the largest university within the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities system. Founded in 1849, Central is also the state's oldest publicly funded university. Our campus is located in New Britain, Connecticut. Central is accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE).

