***ASL Interpretation & Translation:*** *Associate in Science - Non-Transfer*

When you learn a new language and culture, you gain access to a whole new world beyond everything that you have ever known. Here at Mt. San Jacinto College, the Department of ASL Interpretation & Translation offers you the unique opportunity to study American Sign Language and Deaf Culture in a full immersion setting! Acquiring a language is not just about learning vocabulary, but about internalizing a way of life.

***Please see a Pathways Counselor:*** A local degree requires a minimum of 60 degree-applicable units with a minimum 2.0 GPA overall. [Contact a Counselor](https://www.msjc.edu/hub/) to create an education plan customized to meet your needs.

Transfer Majors/Award Focus

* Interpreter Preparation Non-transfer AS
* Interpreter Preparation Certificate

***GE Pattern/Units***

* GE Pattern: Option A
* Total Units: 74

**Program maps** indicate the major coursework and recommended general education courses to fulfill your degree in 2 years (approximately 15 units/ semester or 30 units/year). Some of the courses listed may be substituted by another course. Please view these options in the official course [catalog](https://catalog.msjc.edu/instructional-programs/)

***Semester 1*** ***14 Units***

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| a | COURSE | TITLE | UNIT |
| c | ENGL-101 | College Composition | 4 |
| c | ASL-110 | Deaf Culture and Community | 3 |
| c | ASL-201 | American Sign Language III | 4 |
| c | ASL-501 | Fingerspelling, Numbers & Classifiers | 3 |

***Semester 2*** ***16 Units***

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| a | COURSE | TITLE | UNIT |
| c | ASL-202 | American Sign Language IV | 4 |
| c | ASL-203 | American Sign Language V | 3 |
| c | MATH-115 | Ideas of Mathematics | 3 |
| c | ANTH-145\* | Introduction to Linguistic Anthropology | 3 |

\*Other General Education courses cannot be substituted for ANTH 145 and COMM 100 as they are required for the degree.

***Semester 3*** ***15 Units***

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| a | COURSE | TITLE | UNIT |
| c | IPP-510 | Introduction to ASL/English Interpreting | 3 |
| c | IPP-511 | Processing Skills Development | 3 |
| c | COMM-100\* | Public Speaking | 3 |
| c | CSCR-116 | Integrative Career/Life Planning | 3 |
| c | HIST-111 or  HIST-112 | U.S. History to 1877 or  U.S. History Since 1865 | 3 |

Career Options

Interpreter (A, B, M), Translator (A, B, M)

Interpreter Educator (B, M+)

Find more careers: [MSJC Career Coach](http://msjc.emsicc.com/)

Required Education: SM: some college; C: Certificate; A: Associate, B: Bachelor’s, M: Master’s; D: Doctorate

***Financial Aid***

Financial aid is determined by the number of credit hours you take in a semester. Maximize your financial aid by taking 12-15 units per semester.

***Semester 4 15 Units***

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| a | COURSE | TITLE | UNIT |
| c | IPP-515 | ASL to English Interpreting I | 3 |
| c | IPP-516 | English to ASL Interpreting I | 3 |
| c | ASL-505 | American Sign Language Linguistics | 3 |
| c | ENGL-103 | Critical Thinking and Writing | 3 |
| c | ANTH-101 | Biological Anthropology | 3 |

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***Semester 5*** ***12 Units***

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| a | COURSE | TITLE | UNIT |
| c | IPP-615 | ASL to English Interpreting II (formerly IPP-204) | 3 |
| c | IPP-616 | English to ASL Interpreting II (formerly IPP-205) | 3 |
| c | PS-101 | Introduction to American Government and Politics | 3 |
| c | ASL-610 | Ethical & Professional Standards of Interpreting | 3 |

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***Semester 6 5 Units***

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| a | COURSE | TITLE | UNIT |
| c | IPP-625 | Specialized Interpreting (formerly IPP-210) | 3 |
| c | IPP-650 | Practicum and Seminar (formerly IPP-250) | 2 |

Work Experience

Sign up for a special project or internship opportunity. Gain [work experience](https://msjc.edu/careereducation/cwee/index.html) and earn credits.

***Scheduling Notes***

Schedule your GE courses as early as possible to avoid overloading yourself with coursework later in the program.

The GE courses listed are recommendations, not requirements! Feel free to take comparable courses that match your interests!

***Helpful Hints***

The senior year of IPP requires extensive time outside of class meetings for both interpreter observation requirements and internship requirements.

Language acquisition courses should be taken in order without breaks between levels; taking breaks in language acquisition can negatively impact your language skills.