Roadmap: American Sign Language - Bachelor of Arts
AS-BA-ASL
College of Arts and Sciences
Department of Modern and Classical Language Studies
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This roadmap is a recommended semester-by-semester plan of study for this major. However, courses and milestones designed as critical (!) must be completed in the semester listed to ensure a timely graduation.

Critical	Course Subject and Title	Credit Hours	Min. Grade	Major GPA	Attribute	Notes
Semester One [16 Credits]						
!	**Prerequisites** *or General Electives* [1]	**3**				
	ASL 19401 Exploration of Deaf Culture	**3**		■		
	UC 10097 Destination Kent State: First Year Experience [2]	1				
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
Semester Two [15 Credits]						
!	**Prerequisites** *or General Electives* [1]	**3**				
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
Semester Three [15 Credits]						
!	**ASL 39201 Advanced American Sign Language I** [3]	**3**		■		
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
Semester Four [15 Credits]						
!	**ASL 39202 Advanced American Sign Language II**	**3**		■		
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
	College General Requirements [4]	3				
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	General Electives [5]	3				
Semester Five [15 Credits]						
	ASL 39223 Sociolinguistics of the Deaf Community (3) *or* ASL 49309 Introduction to Deaf Studies (3)	**3**	C [6]	■	WIC WIC/ELR	
!	**ASL 49108 American Sign Language Linguistics I** [3]	**3**		■		
	Major Electives [7]	3		■		
	General Electives [5]	6				
Semester Six [14 Credits]						
	Major Electives [7]	6		■		
	General Electives [5]	8				
Semester Seven [15 Credits]						
!	**ASL 49201 Advanced Proficiency** [8]	**3**		■		
	Major Electives [7]	6		■		
	General Electives [5]	6				
Semester Eight [15 Credits]						
	General Electives [5]	15				

Graduation Requirements Summary

Minimum Total Hours	Minimum Upper-Division Hours 30000 – 40000 level course	Minimum Kent Core Hours	Minimum	
			Major GPA	Overall GPA
120	42	36	2.000	2.000

1. **ASL 19201 Elementary American Sign Language I, ASL 19202 Elementary American Sign Language II, ASL 29201 Intermediate Sign Language I and ASL 29202 Intermediate American Sign Language II are prerequisites for the American Sign Language major.** Students majoring in American Sign Language may have some proficiency in the language through high-school study or other experience. Students with previous American Sign Language study should take the American Sign Language Placement Test, offered twice per semester, and enroll in the correct course based on their score. In semesters one and two, students should students who demonstrate ASL proficiency beyond ASL 29201 and/or ASL 29202 should take general electives. Number of general elective credit hours required depends on meeting minimum 120 credit hours and minimum 42 upper-division hours.

2. UC 10097 is not required of transfer students with 25 credits (excluding College Credit Plus) or students age 21+ at time of admission.

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3. Students must present a cumulative portfolio and achieve a passing score in ASL 29202 Intermediate American Sign Language II in order to register for ASL 39201 and ASL 49108.

4.
   - One additional course taken from the Kent Core Basic Science courses in the following Arts and Sciences disciplines: Anthropology (ANTH), Biological Sciences (BSCI), Chemistry (CHEM), Geography (GEOG), Geology (GEOL) or Physics (PHY). Students may take the courses listed in the "introductory" sequences with the restrictions noted above in the Kent Core Basic Science section. The course may not be from the student's major.
   - One additional course taken from the Kent Core Social Sciences courses in the following Arts and Sciences disciplines: Anthropology (ANTH), Applied Conflict Management (CACM), Geography (GEOG), Criminology Justice Studies (CRIM), Political Science (POL), Psychology (PSYC) or Sociology (SOC). The course may not be from the student's major.

5. Number of general elective credit hours required depends on meeting minimum 120 credit hours and minimum 42 upper-division credit hours.

6. A minimum C grade must be earned in ANTH 48214, ASL 39223 or ASL 49309 to fulfill writing-intensive requirement.

7. Major Electives (15 credit hours)

Choose from the following*:	
ANTH 48214 Politics of Culture (3) (WIC/ELR) [6]	ASL 49109 American Sign Language Linguistics II (3)
ASL 29212 Applied American Sign Language Grammar (3)	ASL 49309 Introduction to Deaf Studies (WIC) (ELR)
ASL 29213 Fingerspelling, Numbers and Depiction (3)	ASL 49350 American Sign Language Literature (3)
ASL 39223 Sociolinguistics of the Deaf Community (3) (WIC)	ASL 49401 Deaf Culture and Community (3)
ASL 39095 Special Topics in American Sign Language (1-3)	ASL 49601 Activity Design, Implementation and Evaluation (3) [8]
ASL 49091 Seminar in American Sign Language Linguistics (3)	MCLS 30420 Foreign Languages and Culture Studies (3)
ASL 49092 Practicum in American Sign Language (1-3) (ELR)	SOC 32570 Inequality in Societies (3) (DD)

*Major electives may be taken at any time during the program, as long as individual course prerequisites are met. Please see faculty advisor for assistance with course planning.

8. Prior to enrolling in these courses, students must pass the Sign Language Proficiency Interview (SLPI) with a minimum score of Intermediate.

Special Department Note
Some courses in the Department of Modern and Classical Languages are offered on a rotating basis. Rotations and course availability may change at any time. Please see the Department's course offering projections and advising information for assistance with course planning.

Foreign Language Note: Students pursuing a Bachelor of Arts degree in the College of Arts and Sciences must have the equivalent of Elementary I and II in any language, and the American Sign Language major requires Intermediate I and II of the same language.

All students with prior foeign language experience should take the foreign language placement test to determine the appropriate level at which to start. Some students may begin their university foreign language experience beyond the Elementary I level and will complete the requirement with fewer credit hours and fewer courses. This may be accomplished by: (1) passing a course beyond Elementary I through Intermediate II level or (2) receiving credit through Credit by Exam (CBE), the College Level Examination Program (CLEP), the Advanced Placement (AP) exam or credit through the International Baccalaureate (IB) program; or (3) being designated a "native speaker" of a non-English language (consult with the College of Arts and Sciences Advising Office for additional information). When students complete the requirement with fewer than 14 credit hours and four courses, they will complete remaining hours with general electives.

University Requirements: Bachelor's degree-seeking students must meet Kent Core (general education requirements), diversity, writing-intensive and experiential learning requirements. For more information about these requirements, please read the following sections in the University Catalog: Kent Core – www.kent.edu/catalog/kent-core; Diversity Course Requirement – www.kent.edu/catalog/diversity; Writing-Intensive Course Requirement – www.kent.edu/catalog/wic; Experiential Learning Requirement – www.kent.edu/catalog/elr.

Attribute Legend: **DD** Diversity–Domestic; **DG** Diversity–Global; **ELR** Experiential Learning; **KAD** Kent Core Additional; **KBS** Kent Core Basic Sciences; **KCM** Kent Core Composition; **KFA** Kent Core Fine Arts: **KHU** Kent Core Humanities; **KMC** Kent Core Mathematics and Critical Reasoning; **KSS** Kent Core Social Sciences; **WIC** Writing Intensive