DEAF STUDIES (DFST)

DFST 0001. American Sign Language I

Units: 4

Hours: 72 lecture

Introduction to the fundamental principles of American Sign Language (ASL). Preparation for visual/gestural communication including basic information relating to Deaf culture, intensive work on comprehension skills and grammatical structures. (CSU, UC)

DFST 0002. American Sign Language II

Units: 4

Prerequisite: Completion of DFST 1 with grade of "C" or better

Hours: 72 lecture

Continuation of American Sign Language I (ASL I). Designed for students who wish to enhance their proficiency in ASL usage and stresses continued development of basic conversational skills with emphasis on vocabulary and expressive skills. (CSU, UC)

DFST 0003. American Sign Language III

Units: 4

Prerequisite: Completion of DFST 2 with grade of "C" or better

Hours: 72 lecture

Continuation of American Sign Language II (ASL II). Shifts from comprehension to production of ASL. Further study of vocabulary and grammatical patterns. Continues to develop ASL competencies in numerous conversational settings. Brings ASL fluency to a point of self-generated ASL for the purpose of furthering language use in ASL. (CSU, UC)

DFST 0004. American Sign Language IV

Units: 4

Prerequisite: Completion of DFST 3 with grade of "C" or better

Hours: 72 lecture

Continuation of American Sign Language III (ASL III). Advanced study of ASL grammar. Further development and refinements of ASL skills and fluency. Intensive work on expressive and receptive skills. Further study of Deaf cultural issues. (CSU, UC)

DFST 0010. Introduction to Deaf Studies

Units: 3

Hours: 54 lecture

Course introduces topics central to the Deaf and Deaf community, including audiology, interpreting, education, culture, history, linguistics, sociology, and psychology. Designed to introduce basic information of the American Deaf experience in the United States: Deaf Community/culture and American Sign Language. (CSU, UC)

DFST 0028. Independent Study

Units: 1-3

Designed for students interested in furthering their knowledge at an independent study level in an area where no specific curriculum offering is currently available. Independent study might include, but is not limited to, research papers, special subject area projects, and research projects. See Independent Study page in catalog. (CSU, UC-with unit limitation)

DFST 0095. Internship in Deaf Studies

Units: 0.5-4

Designed for advanced students to work in an area related to their educational or occupational goal. Provides new on-the-job technical training under the direction of a worksite supervisor, allowing students to expand knowledge and skills in the chosen field. Mandatory orientation session and faculty approval to determine eligibility. Students may earn up to a total of 16 units in internship courses (any course numbered 95 and PDEV 94). (CSU-with unit limitation)