

## AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE

**ARTS & HUMANITIES CAREER PATHWAY** 



### THE SIGNS POINT TO A NEW CAREER.

Learn to bridge communication for Deaf people with American Sign Language-English Interpretation skills.

American Sign Language (ASL) is recognized as a complete, complex language and has been for more than 50 years. It is still gaining recognition and popularity in the United States and Canada. TCC's ASL and interpretation program includes ASL I-VI, foundations of interpretation, translations skills, and courses in practical application of both ASL to English and English to ASL interpretation.

Tidewater Community College is the only college in southeastern Virginia to offer an Associate of Applied Science in ASL-English Interpretation.

Course work prepares students to sit for one or more exams administered by the Virginia Department for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the Educational Interpreter Performance Assessment (EIPA) Diagnostic Center.

### **PROGRAMS**

# ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE IN AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE - ENGLISH INTERPRETATION

Complete in as few as 6 semesters / 68 credits

This program teaches the foundational knowledge and skills for entry-level employment, as well as ongoing professional development, into the ASL-English Interpretation profession. Learn in an interactive classroom setting and with real-world experience through the 150-hour internship.

## CAREER STUDIES CERTIFICATE IN AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE

Complete in as few as 4 semesters / 28 credits

Learn to communicate using ASL, the native language of the Deaf community. ASL is a natural language with grammatical structure and rules for syntax. Our program will teach you how to communicate directly with members of the Deaf community.



### TCC FAST FACT

Gain real-world experience with a 150-hour internship!

#### **POSSIBLE CAREER PATHS**

Graduates are taught the skills to work as interpreters in K-12 settings, within the community, or for government and private industries.

#### IS THIS PROGRAM FOR YOU?

Yes, if you:

- have a knack for languages
- enjoy working with people and want to work within the Deaf community
- like working in a variety of different environments

### PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

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