

# American Sign Language and Linguistics, BS

The American Sign Language (ASL) & Linguistics combined major is an intensive program of study dedicated to preparing students to interact in a positive and supportive manner with members of the American Deaf Community while simultaneously providing students with an understanding of the theoretical, cultural, and social components of all human language, including ASL, so that they can better understand how ASL is related to spoken languages and other signed languages. This curriculum is designed to assist students in acquiring competence in American Sign Language; and in developing an understanding of the American Deaf Community and its culture, the acquisition and analysis of human languages (signed and spoken), and how human languages work in everyday use (e.g., comprehension, generation, translation).

## Program Requirements

- Concentrations and course offerings may vary by campus and/or by program modality. Please consult with your advisor or admissions coach for the course availability each term at your campus or within your program modality.
- Certain options within the program may be *required* at certain campuses or for certain program modalities. Please consult with your advisor or admissions coach for requirements at your campus or for your program modality.

Complete all courses listed below unless otherwise indicated. Also complete any corequisite labs, recitations, clinicals, or tools courses where specified and complete any additional courses needed beyond specific college and major requirements to satisfy graduation credit requirements.

## Universitywide Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the Universitywide Requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/university-wide-requirements/>).

## NUpath Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the NUpath Requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/nupath/>).

## American Sign Language Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Language Requirement</b>		
AMSL 1101	Elementary ASL 1	4
AMSL 1102	Elementary ASL 2	4
AMSL 2101	Intermediate ASL 1	4
AMSL 2102	Intermediate ASL 2	4
AMSL 3101	Advanced ASL 1	4
<b>Social and Cultural World</b>		
DEAF 1500	Deaf People in Society	4
DEAF 2500	Deaf History and Culture	4
<b>Interpreting</b>		
INTP 3500	The Interpreting Profession	2
INTP 3510	Interpreting Inquiry Texts	4

## Linguistics Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Linguistics Foundations</b>		
LING 1150	Introduction to Language and Linguistics	4
LING 2350	Linguistic Analysis	4
<b>Linguistic Structure</b>		
Complete three of the following:		12
LING 3420	Phonetics	
LING 3422	Phonology	
LING 3424	Morphology	
LING 3450	Syntax	
LING 3452	Semantics	

**Psychology of Language**

PSYC 1101	Foundations of Psychology	4
PSYC 2320	Statistics in Psychological Research	4
PSYC 3464	Psychology of Language	4

**Linguistics Electives**

Complete two courses (not counted elsewhere) from the following:		8
LING 3420	Phonetics	
LING 3422	Phonology	
LING 3424	Morphology	
LING 3442	Sociolinguistics	
LING 3450	Syntax	
LING 3452	Semantics	
LING 3454	History of English	
LING 3456	Language and Gender	
LING 3458	Topics in Linguistics	
LING 3460	Historical Linguistics	
LING 4654	Seminar in Linguistics	
LING 4891	Research Seminar in Linguistics	
or LING 4970	Junior/Senior Honors Project 1	
or LING 4971	Junior/Senior Honors Project 2	
or LING 4991	Directed Study Research	
or PSYC 4991	Directed Study Research	
PSYC 4610	Laboratory in Psycholinguistics	
PSYC 4658	Seminar in Psycholinguistics	

**Seminar Requirement**

Complete one course (not counted elsewhere) from the following:		4
LING 4654	Seminar in Linguistics	
LING 4891	Research Seminar in Linguistics	
PSYC 4658	Seminar in Psycholinguistics	

**Integrative Courses**

Code	Title	Hours
DEAF 2700	ASL Linguistics	4
INTP 4940	Interpreting Research Capstone	4
LING 3412	Language and Culture	4

**Combined Major GPA Requirement**

Minimum 2.750 GPA required in all ASL courses

Minimum 2.500 overall GPA required

**Combined Major Credit Requirement**

Complete 90 semester hours in the major.

**Program Requirements**

128 total semester hours required

**Plan of Study****Sample, Four Years**

Year 1			
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
AMSL 1101		4 AMSL 1102	4
DEAF 1500		4 LING 2350	4
LING 1150		4 LING 3412	4
NUpath/Elective		4 NUpath/Elective	4

<b>Year 2</b>			
<b>Fall</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Hours</b>
AMSL 2101		4 AMSL 2102	4
DEAF 2500		4 DEAF 2700	4
PSYC 1101		4 PSYC 2320	4
NUpath/Elective		4 NUpath/Elective	4
		<b>16</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Year 3</b>			
<b>Fall</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Hours</b>
AMSL 3101		4 Linguistic Structure course	4
INTP 3500		2 Linguistic Structure course or Linguistics Elective	4
INTP 3510		4 PSYC 3464	4
Linguistic Structure course		4 NUpath/Elective	4
NUpath/Elective		4	
		<b>18</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Year 4</b>			
<b>Fall</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Hours</b>
INTP 4940		4 Linguistics Seminar	4
Linguistics Elective or Linguistic Structure course		4 Linguistics Elective	4
NUpath/Elective		4 NUpath/Elective	4
NUpath/Elective		4 NUpath/Elective	4
		<b>16</b>	<b>16</b>

**Total Hours: 130**