



EL CAMINO COLLEGE
SIGN LANGUAGE/ INTERPRETER TRAINING PROGRAM
WORK SHEET FOR COUNSELING/ADVISEMENT

Requirements

1. Follow the steps to enrollment for El Camino College. <http://www.elcamino.edu/docs/ECC-One-Stop-Guide.pdf>
2. Have official college transcripts from regionally accredited institutions sent directly to El Camino College Admissions and Records. All transcripts from outside the United States must be evaluated by an ECC-approved foreign evaluation service.
3. Meet with a Health Science Counselor.
Counseling appointments are scheduled for one week in advance starting on Fridays at 5pm. Go online to your MYECC account to schedule an appointment.
4. Take required courses as specified on your educational plan. See requirements below.

PROGRAM PREREQUISITE COURSES

- SL/IT 111 (formerly SL/IT 15)
- SL/IT 112 (formerly SL/IT 16)

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (refer to AA Degree Requirements)

- Natural Sciences (Area 1)
- Social and Behavioral Sciences A, B and C (Area 2)
- Humanities course (Area 3)
- Language and Rationality A and B (Area 4)
- Health and Physical Education course (Area 5)
- Math 73 or 80 or pass the mathematics competency test (Area 6)

RECOMMENDED COURSE ELECTIVES

- Anthropology 4
- Child Development 150
- Communication Studies 1
- Theatre 113

5. Complete all prerequisite, general education and major requirements.
6. Graduate (Refer to the class schedule for filing period and deadlines, apply in the admissions office.)

Program description: The Sign Language/Interpreter Training program provides instruction in the language most used by deaf persons, American Sign Language (ASL). Students learn general communication skills in sign language classes. Advanced technical proficiency may be gained through interpreter training classes for those seeking a career or part-time employment serving as interpreters for deaf or hard of hearing persons. Employment for interpreters can be found in classrooms, courts, business and social situations.

Potential career pathways:

- Audiologists
- Community Service Personnel
- Consumer Advocate
- Counselor/Therapist for the Deaf
- Government Specialists
- Independent Living Skills Aide
- Program administrators
- Recreation Therapist
- Rehabilitation Counselor
- Sign Language instructors
- Sign Language Interpreter
- Speech Pathologists
- Teacher of the Deaf
- Teacher's Aide
- Other deaf- related vocations

Earning capacity: \$12.89 to \$40.69 per hour/ \$26,800 to \$84, 600 per year

Nature of the job: Sign Language Interpreters use their hands and facial expressions to translate and interpret spoken language into manual sign language for deaf or hard-of-hearing persons or interpret manual sign language (ASL) into spoken or written language. **Performance Interpreters** perform sign language interpretation on stage.

Tasks may include: Some interpreters work in health care services with patients. Some facilitate communication in classes and some work for video relay services, interpreting phone messages from across the country.

The most important thing to remember about interpreting is that the interpreter is there to facilitate communication between all parties present. One of the most satisfying aspects of interpreting is that you can pretty much make it whatever you want. If you like flexibility, like to be your own boss, like making a difference in the world, you may be able to find great satisfaction in the interpreting field.

Potential transfer institutions: Deaf Studies: CSU Northridge locally for other colleges visit www.rid.org (interpreter education programs) All other majors: numerous options visit the transfer center for additional information.

Sample Curriculum for the Sign Language/ Interpreter Training Program

<u>Semester I</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>Semester IV</u>	<u>Units</u>
<u>Sign Language/ Interpreter Training 113</u> American Sign Language III	4	<u>Sign Language/ Interpreter Training 210</u> ASL to English Interpreting I	2
<u>Sign Language/ Interpreter Training 120</u> Fingerspelling and Numerical Concepts	1	<u>Sign Language/ Interpreter Training 211</u> English to ASL Interpreting I	2
Total Units	5	Total Units	4

<u>Semester II</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>Spring/Semester V</u>	<u>Units</u>
<u>Sign Language/ Interpreter Training 114</u> American Sign Language IV	4	<u>Sign Language/ Interpreter Training 220</u> ASL to English Interpreting II	2
<u>Sign Language/ Interpreter Training 130</u> Deaf Culture	3	<u>Sign Language/ Interpreter Training 221</u> English to ASL Interpreting II	2
Total Units	7	Total Units	4

<u>Semester III</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>Spring/Semester VI</u>	<u>Units</u>
<u>Sign Language/ Interpreter Training 115</u> American Sign Language V	4	<u>Sign Language/ Interpreter Training 230</u> Interpreting III	2
<u>Sign Language/ Interpreter Training 200</u> Principles of Sign Language Interpreting	3	<u>Sign Language/ Interpreter Training 240</u> Interpreting Practicum	3
Total Units	7	Total Units	5

Previous SL/IT courses (prior to Fall 2014)	New SL/IT course equivalents
SL/IT 15	SL/IT 111
SL/IT 16	SL/IT 112
SL/IT 17A	SL/IT 113
SL/IT 17B	SL/IT 114
No previous equivalent course	SL/IT 115
SL/IT 202	SL/IT 130
SL/IT 214	SL/IT 120
SL/IT 201	SL/IT 131

If you have completed SL/IT 18A or higher you may continue to follow the old course progression. The last semester that SL/IT 18B will be offered is Fall 2014 and the last time SL/IT 19 will be offered is Spring 2015.

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