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Learn American Sign Language

American Sign Language (ASL) is the language of Deaf Canadians. It is a beautiful and rich visual language and we want to share it with you.

Alberta Cultural Society of the Deaf (ACSD) offers ASL classes with qualified Instructors that provides an introduction to ASL and Deaf culture. We use the Signing Naturally curriculum which is recognized across Canada as one of the best programs for learning this language. Signing Naturally follows the American Council on Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) standards which incorporates the 5 C's: 1) Communication 2) Cultures 3) Connections 4) Comparisons 5) Communities

ACSD is a non-profit organization run by the Deaf for the Deaf and promotes ASL and Deaf Culture in the community.

Fall Term 2021

ASL 101 Tuesdays: Sept. 28 – Nov. 30 at 6:00 – 9:00 pm

ASL 102 Wednesdays: Sept. 29 – Dec. 1 at 6:00 – 9:00 pm

Course Levels:

ACSD will offer **Basic**, **Intermediate** and **Advanced** levels of ASL including Level 101, 102, 103 and 104.

Level 101 will take the beginner student to basic skills in ASL communication and introduces the culture and community of Deaf people.

Level 102 builds on the ASL skills learned in ASL 101 and focuses on conversations related to family, activities and interests and continues to explore the Deaf Culture.

- Each Level is designed to build on the skills learned in the previous course
- Completion of the previous course is a prerequisite for the following course
- Our classes stress a 'no voice rule' so that students focus on the visual aspect of our language
- Classes are designed for adults 18 years of age and older

Course Registration:

- Course fees are \$365 and the textbook which is required is \$145. The textbook can be picked up at the office (please email to set up a pick up time) or can be mailed to you (shipping fees will be applied to the cost). **Note: Textbook purchased for 101 class is also used for 102 class.**
- Refund policy: full refund is provided up to 7 days before the start of class after which a full refund will be provided minus a \$25 admin fee. After the second class there is no refund.
- Classes are currently offered virtually therefore access to a computer and reliable internet is required
- A minimum of 10 registered students is required for each course
- To register please complete the registration form.