CURRICULUM STANDARD

Curriculum Program Title	**Interpreter Education**	Program Code	**A55300**
Concentration	**(not applicable)**	CIP Code	**16.1603**

Curriculum Description

The Interpreter Education curriculum prepares individuals to work as entry-level Sign Language Interpreters who will provide communication access in interview and interactive settings. In addition, this curriculum provides in-service training for working interpreters who want to upgrade their skills.

Course work includes the acquisition of American Sign Language (ASL); grammar, structure, and sociolinguistic properties; cognitive processes associated with interpretation between ASL and English; the structure and character of the deaf community; and acquisition of consecutive and simultaneous interpreting skills.

Entry-level jobs for para-professional interpreters are available in educational systems or a variety of community settings. Individuals may choose from part-time, full-time, or self-employment/free lance positions or apply language skills to other human service related areas.

*Curriculum Requirements**
[for associate degree, diploma, and certificate programs in accordance with 1D SBCCC 400.10]

I.   **General Education.** Degree programs must contain a minimum of 15 semester hours including at least one course from each of the following areas: humanities/fine arts, social/behavioral sciences, and natural sciences/mathematics. Degree programs must contain a minimum of 6 semester hours of communications. Diploma programs must contain a minimum of 6 semester hours of general education; 3 semester hours must be in communications. General education is optional in certificate programs.

II.   **Major Hours**. AAS, diploma, and certificate programs must include courses which offer specific job knowledge and skills. Work-based learning may be included in associate in applied science degrees up to a maximum of 8 semester hours of credit; in diploma programs up to a maximum of 4 semester hours of credit; and in certificate programs up to a maximum of 2 semester hours of credit. *(See second page for additional information.)*

III.   **Other Required Hours.** A college may include courses to meet graduation or local employer requirements in a certificate, diploma, or associate in applied science program. These curriculum courses shall be selected from the Combined Course Library and must be approved by the System Office prior to implementation. Restricted, unique, or free elective courses may not be included as other required hours.

	AAS	Diploma	Certificate
Minimum General Education Hours	15	6	0
Minimum Major Hours	49	30	12
Other Required Hours	0-7	0-4	0-1
Total Semester Hours Credit (SHC)	**64-76**	**36-48**	**12-18**

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*Within the degree program, the institution shall include opportunities for the achievement of competence in reading, writing, oral communication, fundamental mathematical skills, and basic use of computers.

Major Hours

A. **Core.** The subject/course core is comprised of subject areas and/or specific courses which are required for each curriculum program. A diploma program offered under an approved AAS program standard or a certificate which is the highest credential level awarded under an approved AAS program standard must include a minimum of 12 semester hours credit derived from the subject/course core of the AAS program.

B. **Concentration** *(if applicable).* A concentration of study must include a minimum of 12 semester hours credit from required subjects and/or courses. The majority of the course credit hours are unique to the concentration. The required subjects and/or courses that make up the concentration of study are in addition to the required subject/course core.

C. **Other Major Hours.** Other major hours must be selected from prefixes listed on the curriculum standard. A maximum of 9 semester hours of credit may be selected from any prefix listed, with the exception of prefixes listed in the core or concentration. Work-based learning may be included in associate in applied science degrees up to a maximum of 8 semester hours of credit; in diploma programs up to a maximum of 4 semester hours of credit; and in certificate programs up to a maximum of 2 semester hours of credit.

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	AAS	**Diploma**	**Certificate**
Minimum Major Hours Required	**49 SHC**	**30 SHC**	**12 SHC**
A. CORE *A diploma offered under this AAS degree requires a minimum of 12 SHC extracted from the required core of the AAS degree.* **Required Courses:**	**33 SHC**	**12 SHC**	

Required Courses:

ASL	111	Elementary ASL I	3 SHC
ASL	112	Elementary ASL II	3 SHC
ASL	211	Intermediate ASL I	3 SHC
ASL	250	Linguistics of ASL	3 SHC
IPP	111	Introduction to Interpretation	3 SHC
IPP	112	Comparative Cultures	3 SHC
IPP	152	ASL/English Translation	3 SHC
IPP	161	Consecutive Interpreting	5 SHC
IPP	221	Simultaneous Interpreting I	5 SHC
WBL	111	Work-Based Learning I	1 SHC
WBL	115	Work-Based Learning Seminar I	1 SHC

Required Subject Areas:
None

B. CONCENTRATION *(Not applicable)*

C. OTHER MAJOR HOURS
To be selected from the following prefixes:

ANT, ASL, BIO, BUS, CIS, CJC, CSC, DDT, DRA, EDU, GRO, HSE, HUM, IPP, MAT, MED, OST, POL, PSY, SAB, SOC, SWK, and WBL

Up to two semester hour credits may be selected from ACA.

Up to three semester hour credits may be selected from the following prefixes: ARA, CHI, FRE, GER, ITA, JPN, LAT, POR, RUS and SPA.