Interpreter Preparation - Associate of Applied Science Degree

Code: F_AAS_IPP Campus: Westminster

This program prepares students for entry-level employment as sign language interpreters. Sign language interpretation involves bridging the communication gap between deaf and hearing consumers effectively, accurately, and impartially.

Students must apply for this program through the Interpreter Preparation Program. In order to be accepted into the program, students must demonstrate proficiency in ASL and English by:

1. Receiving a grade of “B” or above for both ASL 121 and ASL 122, or by passing the ASL 121 and ASL 122 proficiency tests at 80%, and
2. Receiving a grade of “B” or above for ENG 121 or ENG 122.

In addition, program requirements include demonstrated mastery of program skills. Therefore, students must receive a "B" or above in all ASL and IPP courses and at least a "C" in all other general education coursework.

Students who have received a grade of “C” in any of these ASL or IPP courses may repeat the courses to earn the grade of “B” or above, but may only repeat these courses once. Students who are unable to achieve a "B" by the second attempt in a class will be asked to withdraw from the program.

Only one re-admission to the program may be permitted after twice receiving a grade of "C" or lower in any ASL or IPP course.

Students who have discontinued the IPP program for two or more years may be required to re-take some courses that have been successfully completed due to curriculum changes.

By attending classes on a full-time basis, students may complete the program in two years. Educational standards for national certification requires a BA degree. FRCC has partnered with Regis University for full transfer of the AAS degree for a Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) with a major of either Educational Interpreting or Community Interpreting. Contact the Interpreter Preparation Program for further information.

Assessment testing is required for all students. Students who are reading at college-level and place into CCR 093 or above and MAT 050 or above may begin working on the prerequisites defined in items 1 and 2 above. Students scoring below this level should consult with a faculty member before registering for courses in this program of study.

REQUIRED COURSES	***CREDITS***
ASL 123 American Sign Language III	5
ASL 125 Fingerspelling	3
ASL 221 American Sign Language IV	3
ASL 222 American Sign Language V	3
ASL 244 ASL Linguistics	3
IPP 115 Introduction to Language and Communication	3
IPP 121 Aspects of Interpreting I	3
IPP 122 Aspects of Interpreting II	3
IPP 125 Oral Transliterating	2
IPP 135 Introduction to Interpreting	3
IPP 145 Deaf People in Society	2
IPP 147 Survey of Deaf Culture	3
IPP 205 Educational Interpreting	4
IPP 225 English to ASL Interpreting	3
IPP 227 ASL to English Interpreting	3
IPP 229 Transliterating	3
IPP 235 Advanced Interpreting	4
IPP 278 Interpreter Seminar	2
IPP 282 Internship	6
Total Required Credits	***61***

REQUIRED GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES	***CREDITS***
ANT 101 Cultural Anthropology	3
COM 115 Public Speaking	3
ENG 121 or ENG 122 English Composition I or II (grade of "B" or above is required)	3
Any GT-MA1 course (3 credits or more)	3
Natural & Physical Sciences or Humanities Elective*	3

Total Required General Education Credits	***15***
Total Required Credits for AAS Degree	**76**

*Note: *Electives must be selected from the Approved General Education Electives List for the AAS degree. ASL 121 and ASL 122 do not qualify as a Natural & Physical Sciences or Humanities elective for the IPP AAS degree.*

GAINFUL EMPLOYMENT DISCLOSURE INFORMATION

The U.S. Department of Education requires colleges to disclose a variety of information for any financial-aid-eligible program that "prepares students for gainful employment in a recognized occupation." The information provided here is the best available to us but represents one year's data only. We hope that this information is helpful to our current students and to prospective students as they make their career and educational choices. For more Gainful Employment information, please go to the FRCC website: www.frontrange.edu/GainfulEmployment.