



DEPARTMENT OF INTERPRETATION



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The Department of ASL and Interpreter Training at Austin Community College is excited to collaborate with Gallaudet's Department of Interpretation in the creation of a pathway for our students to earn a bachelor's degree in interpretation. Austin Community College produces skilled alumni, whose skill sets upon graduation qualify them for state certification. This collaboration is an amazing opportunity for our students to maintain their momentum and continue their education by obtaining a bachelor's degree that will prepare them for national RID certification.

The similarities of our programs at Austin Community College and Gallaudet make for an easy transition to the university level of learning and experience. We look forward to a long relationship with the Department of Interpretation and sharing future success stories of both ACC and Gallaudet graduates.

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# Bachelors of Arts in Interpretation Transfer Program

Turn your associate's degree into a bachelor's degree at Gallaudet University



CONNECT. DISCOVER. INFLUENCE.

I have developed friendships that transcend my time on campus, have had profound learning experiences that could not be paralleled anywhere else, and have honed and improved my skills to the point that I am ready to take on the work as a professional.

**Alana Aloi**  
Gallaudet BAI transfer student

### The Associate to Bachelor Degree Program

The BA in Interpretation (BAI) program comprises a comprehensive, sequenced, and integrated series of courses and experiences designed to provide you with:

- Knowledge
- Fieldwork
- Techniques and interpreting skills in interactive interpreting

All courses are conducted in ASL and spoken English. In the near future, our classes will have remote access (i.e., class attendance via remote videoconferencing). This does not apply to all of our courses, as some skills-based classes require a physical classroom experience.

If you want to become a French interpreter, usually you must first live in France with French people. If you want a career as an ASL interpreter, come to Gallaudet's BAI program, where you can live and study in a Deaf space with Deaf people.

**Melanie Metzger, Ph.D.**  
Chair, Department of Interpretation  
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## About Gallaudet University

Gallaudet University is the only university in the world that offers both undergraduate (B.A.) and graduate degrees (M.A. and Ph.D.) in interpretation studies within a sign language specialist immersive environment. Students live, study, and interact with deaf, deaf-blind, hard of hearing and hearing people from the United States and abroad. This unique linguistic and cultural immersion is just one of our strengths.

## Alumni

Our graduates work in a variety of settings for organizations, individuals, and government agencies. Gallaudet University's interpretation alumni have also gone on to start their own businesses, receiving contract work in settings such as business, education, government, theatre, medicine, law, healthcare, and video relay.

Our ultimate goal is to prepare our ITP students for a successful, rewarding career. Austin Community College's partnership with the Gallaudet University Interpreter Training Program will give our students a fresh, interactive dimension in their pursuit of a BA in Interpreting. A four-year program will prepare our students to qualify for National RID Certification.

## Fallon Brizendine, MAI/CDI

GU Alumni, '06 & '10  
Chair, Department of ASL and Interpreter Training  
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## Bachelor of Arts in Interpretation Degree Requirements

Graduation Path to GU BA in Interpretation  
Austin Community College (ACC) and  
Gallaudet University (GU)

**Online INT courses to be taken at Gallaudet**  
(Offered during a Fall Semester, Spring Semester and Summer Semester)

INT 223.OL Interactive Discourse Analysis 3

### First Semester (Fall) 12-17 credits

GSR 103 ASL and Deaf Studies 3

LIN 101 Sign Language & Sign Systems 3

GSR 230 Scientific and Quantitative Reasoning in Context 4

BIO 105 Introduction to Human Biology 4

INT 325 Fundamentals of Interpreting 3

### Second Semester (Spring) 12-15 credits

GSR 240 Ethical Decisions and Actions 3

DST 311 Dynamics of Oppression 3

INT 344 Interpreting Interaction: Medical 3

INT 346 Discourse and Field Applications I 3

### Third Semester (Fall) 16 credits

LIN 263 Introduction to the Structure of American Sign Language 3

INT 443 Interpreting Interaction: Education 3

INT 453 Interpreting Interaction: Business-Government 3

INT 455 Discourse and Field Observations 3

GSR 300 General Studies Capstone 4

### Fourth Semester (Spring) 12 credits

INT 492 Senior Seminar Project and Portfolio 3

INT 494 Senior Internship 9

For more detailed course information,  
go to [www.gallaudet.edu/interpretation/ba\\_program.html](http://www.gallaudet.edu/interpretation/ba_program.html)



## State-of-the-Art Technology

The Department of Interpretation is located in a completely new space in Hall Memorial Building, the heart of the academic community at Gallaudet University.

### Optimal Benefits:

- "DeafSpace" design principles are optimized for ASL medium teaching.
- State-of-the-art interpretation labs have visually and sound-protected private recording booths and central computer stations for individual or class activities.
- Classrooms are equipped with special picture-in-picture automatic recording for live and interactive interpreting role play.
- Classrooms are equipped for video conferencing with cameras and large monitors that allow for national and global collaboration among students and faculty.
- Interpretation and Translation Research Center has a library, filming rooms, VRS simulation center, and student research bay with video and statistical software.

Obtaining a bachelor's degree in Interpretation from Gallaudet University is a ticket to many job and leadership opportunities. Graduates will interact and collaborate with Deaf Communities across the U.S. and around the world.

## Keith M. Cagle, Ph.D.

BAI Coordinator  
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