

FAQs

- What is ASL club?
 - The purpose of ASL club is to provide a safe space for Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and hearing students to sign together. As well as bond, socialize, and learn through American Sign Language outside of the classroom.
- Will you be teaching me?/Will I be learning ASL?
 - We can definitely help with refreshing, practicing, and helping with signs, but our primary goal is to not focus solely on teaching club members.
 - However, some members of the club might be at the same ASL class level, and you could collaborate that way.
 - You can always ask questions, though.
- Where can I learn ASL?
 - ASL classes are offered at Mason, levels one through four.
 - There are also online teaching tools to help you learn- Handspeak, ASL.org, etc.
- Is there an ASL major or minor?
 - There is an ASL minor but no major currently.
 - You must complete ASL levels one through four, as well as a Deaf History class and a Deaf Culture class, for the minor.
- When are your meetings?
 - At the very least, we will have meetings every other week via Zoom.
 - Meetings are scheduled on a case by case basis, according to the best time/date for the overall body of the group.
- What is ASL?
 - It's a language with its own grammar, syntax, etc., which is based off of the structure of English, but is its own language entirely.
 - Communicated via signs, as compared to spoken language.
- Is there any kind of financial commitment?
 - No; we do not have dues of any kind, and we generate our funds via fundraisers.
- Are we getting merch?
 - We are planning on creating merch (t-shirts, specifically) for the club.
- When was ASL club founded?
 - ASL Club was founded in the fall of 2019.
- What kind of things does the ASL club do?
 - This semester, we are planning on attending more ASL socials as a group, performing more community service (with an emphasis on Deaf/hard of hearing communities).
 - ASL-related activities/games.