



services to culturally deaf, oral deaf, deafened and hard of hearing people

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WINTER 2017  
AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE (ASL) PROGRAM  
COURSE SCHEDULE

**NOTE: REGISTRATION DEADLINE DECEMBER 22, 2016**

Location	Level	Day of Week	Time	Start Date	End Date
BARRIE ADULT COMMUNITY COURSES	ASL Beginner 1	Mondays	6 to 9 pm	January 9, 2017 (excl. Feb 20 <sup>th</sup> )	March 27, 2017
	ASL Beginner 2	Wednesdays	6 to 9 pm	January 11, 2017	March 29, 2017

*Note: All other Adult ASL levels, Children/Youth ASL courses; Baby/Toddler workshops; ASL Instructor training will be offered in Spring 2017*

**COURSE RATES WILL BE INCREASING ON APRIL 1, 2017 – PLEASE CONTACT US AT [ASLPROGRAM@DEAFACCESS.CA](mailto:ASLPROGRAM@DEAFACCESS.CA) FOR MORE INFO**

**BOTH PAYMENT AND REGISTRATION FORM MUST BE RECEIVED TO SECURE SPOT IN OUR COURSES (NO EXCEPTIONS)**

**NOTE: REGISTRATION FORM AVAILABLE AT END OF DOCUMENT**

For more information contact:  
705-728-3577 (Barrie office)  
Email: [aslprogram@deafaccess.ca](mailto:aslprogram@deafaccess.ca)

## COURSE DETAILS



### Barrie ASL Beginner 1

This is an introductory course focusing on basic vocabulary and an introduction to various aspects of deafness. Students enrolled in the course will learn specifically about introducing yourself, exchanging of personal information, discussing living situations and gain knowledge of Deaf culture and community.

- Dates: Monday evenings, 6 to 9 pm  
January 9 to March 27, 2017 (excluding February 20<sup>th</sup> Family Day holiday)
- Location: Deaf Access Simcoe Muskoka office, 20 Anne Street South, Unit 9, Barrie, Ontario
- Cost: Course fee \$175.00 PLUS
- Materials: \$100.00 Signing Naturally Units 1 to 6 Student DVD workbook

### Barrie ASL Beginner 2

Building on skills and knowledge already acquired in ASL I, this course introduces further linguistic and cultural information. Topics to be covered include talking about family and telling about activities. Students will also further expand their conversational range from talking about themselves and surroundings to storytelling. Focus includes re-telling stories, role-shift, classifiers and engaging their audience. Pre-requisite: ASL Beginner 1

- Dates: Wednesday evenings, 6 to 9 pm  
January 11 to March 29, 2017
- Location: Deaf Access Simcoe Muskoka, 20 Anne Street South, Barrie, Ontario, L4N 2C6
- Cost: Course fee \$175.00
- Materials: Signing Naturally Units 1 to 6 Student DVD workbook already used in ASL Beginner 1

## ASL ADULT COMMUNITY COURSES BREAKDOWN

### Beginner Level

Our beginner level courses introduce students to the unique language of the Deaf community, American Sign Language (ASL). Students will learn basic everyday communication such as exchanging personal information and identifying people, places and things. Courses include learning cultural values used within the Deaf community.

Beginner Level 1: SN Units 1 to 3

Beginner Level 2: SN Units 4 to 6

### Intermediate Level

Our intermediate level ASL courses expand and build on skills learned in the beginner level. Students will learn about describing people, places and things; making requests and asking for advice; giving opinions and discussing plans/goals. Cultural comparison is discussed throughout the courses.

Intermediate Level 1: SN Units 7 to 9

Intermediate Level 2: SN Units 10 to 12

Intermediate Level 3: SN Units 13 to 17, Classifiers, & Non Manual Signals/Non Manual Markers (NMS/NMM)

### Advance Level

Our advance level ASL courses include expanded student discourse, advanced ASL structure and vocabulary; role-shift variations; formal storytelling and formal/informal presentations.

Advance Level 1: SN Unit 18

Advance Level 2: SN Unit 19 to 20

Advance Level 3: SN Unit 21 to 22

Advance Level 4: SN Unit 23 to 24

Advance Level 5: SN Unit 25

Also available under our ASL program:

- Infant/Toddler ASL sessions
- Children/Youth (8 yrs +)ASL workshops/courses
- Corporate courses tailored to business needs
- Private instruction
- ASL Instructor Training for Deaf/HH Instructors

American Sign Language (ASL) Program Student Registration Form – PRINT AND FILL OUT			
<b>CONTACT INFORMATION</b>			
Full Name:			
Address:			
City/Province:		Postal Code:	
Phone:		Cell:	
Email:		Fax:	
Do you have a disability that could hinder your learning? If so, please explain with helpful tips for your instructor.			
<b>PAYMENT INFORMATION</b>			
Check One:	Cash <input type="checkbox"/>	Money Order <input type="checkbox"/>	Certified Cheque <input type="checkbox"/>
Credit Card No.			Expiry Date
Name on card:			
*Pay Pal Transaction ID (insert conf #):			
<b>WINTER 2017 COURSE SELECTION</b>			
Select Which Course You are Registering For:			
<b>BARRIE</b>	<b>Adult Courses</b>		
	Beginner ASL 1 (I) Mondays	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Beginner ASL 2 (II) Wednesdays	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>FOR OFFICE USE</b>			
Course Fee Pd:	\$	Materials Fee Pd:	\$
Received Date:			
Receipt #:			

## ASL Program Information

*American Sign Language (ASL) is the native language used by the Deaf community in North America. It is a visual language comprising specific signs, handshapes and facial expressions following a unique grammar structure. Our courses are community based non-accredited interest classes for individuals 16 years or older. Please call office regarding children/youth courses.*

*Deaf Access uses the Signing Naturally series developed by Deaf native ASL users at Vista Community College in Berkeley, California over 25 years ago. The approach is based on the language's communicative use and focuses on natural and interpersonal communication needs.*

*Our office currently offers courses throughout the year at the beginner level (Units 1-12) in Barrie. Courses in Orillia, Bracebridge and Midland offered upon interest. Advanced levels 2 & 3 are currently only offered in Barrie. Students with prior learning are required to show record of completed courses or take a placement test (fee is \$30.00).*

*Please call us at 705-728-3577 or email [aslprogram@deafaccess.ca](mailto:aslprogram@deafaccess.ca) for more information about this change.*

## Course Registration Policy

### General Registration

Registration is normally posted up to 2 months before classes start. Registration sign up accepted during the set times only. Classes are filled on a first come first serve basis. Full payment is required to fill your spot in the course. Registration forms sent after closing date or if class is filled, will not be accepted and payment will be returned. Forms are only accepted for students 16 years and older only. Please contact our office for classes for youth and children.

### Cancellation/Withdrawal/Refund Policy

Deaf Access has the right to cancel any course due to any unforeseen reason including insufficient registration to run the course.

Requests for withdrawal from course must take place 5 business days before first class. Refunds after first class will not be provided. Refunds may be provided on a case to case basis in the event of a medical emergency (doctor's note required) at the discretion of the ASL Program Coordinator.

In the event of a course cancellation, a full refund will be provided. An administration fee of \$30.00 applies to all other refunds. Original receipt must be present to receive refund. All materials are non-refundable once received.

### Communication Policy

Refraining from using your voice maximizes your learning American Sign Language, a visual language with its own grammar. Speaking during class is unfair to fellow students who are also trying to learn ("see") a language with no spoken components. Hearing other voices (even whispering) can be very distracting. Speaking in the presence of a Deaf person (your instructor) is considered rude and insensitive. Speaking during quiz and test time is not tolerated.

Cell phones and electronic devices must be turned off during class. Texting or using cell phones during class time is not permitted.

Grading Policy

The pass mark for final written/receptive/expressive test is 60%. There is no opportunity for make-up testing for missed exams on set date. Make-up test may be offered only in the event of an emergency or as pre-determined by ASL program coordinator. Date, location and instructor booking for make-up tests are arranged by ASL program coordinator only. Fee for make-up test is \$30.00 payable and must be paid in advance of scheduling.

In addition to applicable exams & quizzes, students are marked 10% on participation qualities. Up to 2 marks are awarded for the following: homework completion, following the no voice policy, attendance, peer support and in class participation.

Students who have missed 3 classes without notifying our office and/or ASL program coordinator will be marked as "withdrawn" from class.

Certificates are usually released within 3-4 weeks of final exam. Please contact ASL coordinator for letter of standing.

DVD/Videotaping Policy

Some of our courses require you to be videotaped during quizzes or exams. This is similar to a spoken language teacher obtaining a writing sample from students. Videotaping also allows an instructor to review all of you signing skills and capabilities.

Privacy Policy

Deaf Access keeps all student information confidential as required under the lawful Privacy Act Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act (PIPEDA). Your personal information will not be used for any purpose other than the consented registration process.

I have read and understand the terms and conditions of registration for American Sign Language (ASL) courses with Deaf Access.

Please check here if you wish to be included on the ASL Students Information email list to be informed about upcoming course information.

Signature:	
	<small>NOTE: In the event signature is missing or form filled out online, it is automatically presumed by registering that you have read and agree to the terms and conditions of ASL classes with Deaf Access.</small>
Date:	

Bring completed form and payment method by:

Mail/In person: Deaf Access Barrie office (Monday to Friday)  
20 Anne Street South, Unit 9, Barrie, Ontario, L4N 2C6

Credit card options: PayPal online at [www.deafaccess.ca](http://www.deafaccess.ca) or by phoning 705-728-3577

Fax: 705-728-7613

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