

Course Information Sheet

Award in Signing and Receiving skills in BSL E2



Course Summary: Develop your British Sign Language (BSL) skills to a level where you can confidently sign and receive everyday communication.

Course Description:

The Award in Signing and Receiving skills in BSL E2 is a 10-week course designed to equip you with the communication skills needed to use BSL effectively in everyday situations. Through a blend of practical exercises, interactive activities and informative sessions, you'll gain the confidence to sign and receive basic BSL at E2 level of the Qualifications Framework.

This course is perfect for anyone who wants to improve their BSL communication skills for work, social settings, or personal development.

What will I learn?

- A breakdown of suggested weekly activities is provided below, however this may be subject to change based on the pace of the class.

Weeks 1-2: Introduction to BSL Fingerspelling and basic signing principles. Weeks 3-4: Greetings, introductions and everyday phrases. Weeks 5-6: Numbers, time and expressing yourself. Weeks 7-8: Describing people and places. Weeks 9-10: Review and consolidation of learned skills.

How will I be assessed?

- This course will use a combination of formative and summative assessments to gauge your progress.
- Formative assessments will include regular participation in class activities, peer review and self-assessment tasks.
- Summative assessments may involve a practical signing exam and a written knowledge test.

Who is this course for?

This course is ideal for beginners with little to no prior knowledge of BSL but also anyone wishing to refresh their limited knowledge to gain a qualification. It is suitable for individuals who want to develop their BSL communication skills for various purposes, including:

- Personal development
- Employment opportunities
- Volunteering roles
- Social interaction within the Deaf community

Progression Opportunities:

Following successful completion of this course, you can progress to further BSL qualifications such as the E3 Certificate in BSL or explore specialist BSL programmes like BSL for Business or BSL in Education.

Career or Job Enhancement Pathways:

- BSL interpreter
- Teacher of the Deaf
- Communication Support Worker
- Social Worker (working with Deaf individuals)

How do I enrol?

To apply for this course online at www.oucoursesouthwest.co.uk and simply click on the 'How to Enrol' button and complete the Enrolment Form and one of our customer service team will be in touch or call to speak to one of our friendly Learning Advisors on 01752 660713. You will be invited to undertake an initial assessment to ascertain your levels of English and maths prior to entry on this course of study.

How will the course be delivered?

This is a practical course, and the sessions will include tutor-led demonstrations, learner-led group activities, instruction and repetition. These will form part of the delivery together with one-to-one support as required.

Will I need to practise outside the classroom?

You will be encouraged to review your notes between lessons to ensure maximum benefit from your course. It is always useful to practise your skills between sessions. Your tutor may encourage home learning, or independent research.

How will I know I'm making progress?

During the first session, your tutor will discuss your goals and current level in relation to the course. Based on this assessment, you will agree individual targets which you will record in your individual learning plan (ILP). You and your tutor will review your targets regularly to ensure that you are making progress; these will be written in your individual learning plan.

What will I need?

Please bring a notepad, and pen to each session. You may wish to bring a file for any handouts. A laptop with internet access is required for completion of coursework and home learning outside of the classroom.

Please note:

Most courses attract a subsidy from the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA). It is a requirement of the ESFA that you complete various forms at different stages of your course, further information is available on request. Courses are subject to a minimum number of enrolments and could be cancelled if recruitment is low. In some cases, an alternative class at a different location may be offered.

Terms and conditions are available at

<https://www.onsouthwest.co.uk/learner-information/essential-information-for-every-learner>

Room numbers are subject to change - please check when you arrive at the venue.

